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Focus Area 2: Environmental Health (New proposals in red – still subject to Focus Group 2 approval)			
Goal 2: Enhance public health by decreasing environmental risk factors.			
Area of Concentration: Healthy Housing			
SHIP Objective: ENV 6 – Healthy Housing: Increase the enforcement of minimum housing code standards through the collaboration and support of code enforcement agencies and cooperative compliance incentive programs.			
Dashboard Indicator:			
Strategies	Actions and Timeframes	Partners Responsible	Progress
Adopt a statewide property maintenance code.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate and reconvene stakeholders in of the adoption of a statewide property maintenance code <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: October 31, 2015 • Propose adoption of statewide maintenance code to DAS Codes and Standards Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Time Frame: Request that proposal be calendared on their November 2015 meeting agenda • DPH Commissioner and other related commissioners to meet to discuss value of adoption of the code, and possible agency for administration of the code <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: December 2015 • Propose legislation for the 2016 session to enable the adoption of a statewide property maintenance code, with regulation to be written, approved and enacted by December 1, 2018. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: Legislation Consideration by end of session 2016; Regulation in effect by December 1, 2018. 	DPH, CGA, DOH, DAS Codes & Standards Committee, OPM, DAS - Office of the State Building Inspector, Office of the State Fire Marshal, CT Division of Criminal Justice, DEEP, CT Association of Housing Code Enforcement Officials, CT Building Officials Association, CT Professional Fire Chiefs Association, DESPP – Fire & Explosion Unit, CT Directors of Health Association, CT Environmental Health Association, CT Fire Marshal's Association, CT Association of Zoning Enforcement Officials, ICC, NFPA, CT Legal Services, CT Property Owners Associations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft PMC was previously created by an unofficial statewide workgroup • Held meeting on 8/17/15 of code enforcement officials to review the SHIP • Next meeting 9/9/15 or 9/10/15 (date not confirmed as of this writing)

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<p>Establish incentives for property owners to comply with CT's laws on health and safety cooperatively, such as tax breaks and directing federal, state, and local housing rehabilitation funding to those who comply</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify sustainable funding sources presently available for property owners to cooperatively comply with Connecticut's codes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: October 2015 • Analyze quantitative sufficiency of available sources; identify gaps in necessary funding to achieve the objective and identify areas in need of additional support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: November 2015 • Fund existing legislatively mandated housing rehabilitation programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: End of CGA 2016 Session • Propose legislative tax incentives for landlords who cooperatively comply with Connecticut's codes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: End of CGA 2016 Session 	<p>CGA (Funds distributed through relative state departments, including Dept. of Housing), OPM, DPH, CT Dept. of Social Services, DEEP - Energy Conservation Program, Public Utilities, CT Dept. of Insurance (for possible insurance incentives for cooperative code compliance), CT Division of Criminal Justice, HUD, CDBG Block Grants, CT Property Owners Associations</p>	
<p>Fund code enforcement programs appropriately to adequately staff, comprehensively train and monitor code compliance efforts of code officials.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify, develop and dedicate available funding sources for state and municipal health and safety code enforcement agencies to adequately staff, comprehensively train and monitor code enforcement program activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: End of CGA 2016 Session 	<p>DPH, CGA, DAS Codes & Standards Committee, OPM, DAS - Office of the State Building Inspector, Office of the State Fire Marshal, CT Division of Criminal Justice, DEEP, CT Association of Housing Code Enforcement Officials, CT Building Officials Association, CT Professional Fire Chiefs Association, DESPP – Fire & Explosion Unit, CT Directors of Health Association, CT Environmental Health Association, CT Fire Marshal's Association, CAZEO, CCM, CT Police Chiefs Association</p>	
<p>Develop media or other awareness campaigns to inform property owners and others of the importance of code, and the benefits of cooperative compliance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold statewide educational conference on Enhanced Code Enforcement as CT's first prevention of risks of injury and illness for Mayors, First Selectpersons and municipal attorneys and others on code enforcement • Launch "First Preventer" campaign for code officials improving public health and safety through environmental housing enforcement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: February 2016 	<p>DPH, CGA, DAS Codes & Standards Committee, OPM, DAS - Office of the State Building Inspector, Office of the State Fire Marshal, CT Division of Criminal Justice, DEEP, CT Association of Housing Code Enforcement Officials, CT Building Officials Association, CT Professional Fire Chiefs Association, DESPP – Fire & Explosion Unit, CT Directors of Health Association, CT Environmental Health Association, CT Fire Marshal's Association, CAZEO, CCM, CT Police Chiefs Association</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch general public awareness campaign stressing importance of establishing and maintaining healthy housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: December 2016 		
<p>Establish baseline measurement of “sub-standard housing”</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet with relative stakeholders to discuss and define an appropriate baseline measurement of sub-standard housing in Connecticut, with consideration to local statistics and national housing standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due Date: 		
<p>Resources Required (human, partnerships, financial, infrastructure or other)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 			
<p>Monitoring/Evaluation Approaches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide quarterly report outs 			

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Action Agenda Definitions

Term	Definition/Description
Strategies	A strategy describes your approach to getting things done. It is less specific than action steps but tries broadly to answer the question, "How can we get from where we are now to where we want to be?" The best strategies are those which have impact in multiple areas, also known as leverage or "bang for the buck."
Actions and Timeframes	The actions/activities outline the specific, concrete steps you will take to achieve each strategy. It is best to arrange these chronologically by start dates. State the projected dates (start-end) for each activity.
Partners Responsible	Identify by name the key person(s)/group(s)/organization(s) that will be responsible for leading the activity.
Progress	Use this space to indicate progress on each action step as they are implemented.
Resources Needed	The human resources, partnerships, financial, infrastructure or other resources required for successful implementation of the strategies and activities.
Monitoring/ Evaluation Approaches	The approaches you will use to track and monitor progress on strategies and activities (e.g., quarterly reports, participant evaluations from training)