Penn State Health is committed to serving our community!

Community Health – Fiscal Year 2020

Community Health includes: all community health improvement projects offered (not only those prioritized by our CHNA process), cash and in-kind contributions, community building activities and community benefit operations.

Overall in **Fiscal Year 2020** Penn State Health **served over 500,000 community members** with over **123,000 employee hours** and **76,000 volunteer hours**, resulting in **over \$4.3 million dollars in Community Health** services provided to our community.

Community Benefit - Fiscal Year 2019

Community Benefit is the total value of quantifiable benefits provided to our community and reported to the IRS. This number does not include Research, Bad Debt or Medicare.

Community Benefit Fiscal Year 2019	
Metric	Penn State Health
Community Health	\$4,239,390
Health Professions Education	\$69,375,327
Subsidized Health Services	\$4,100,000
Financial Assistance	\$12,673,782
Medicaid	\$26,677,640
Total	\$117,066,139



2020
First Year Report Card

Community Health
Needs Assessment (CHNA)
Implementation Plan



#1 Behavioral Health

Mental Health Substance Use Disorder



#2 Healthy Lifestyles

Nutrition Oral Health Physical Activity



#3 Disease Management

Cancer Cardiovascular Disease Diabetes

Address Access to Care and Social Determinants of Health

Five Pennsylvania Counties

Berks • Cumberland • Dauphin • Lancaster • Lebanon



PENN STATE HEALTH MILTON S. HERSHEY MEDICAL CENTER (PSHMC)
PENN STATE HEALTH ST. JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER (PSHSJ)
PENNSYLVANIA PSYCHIATRIC INSTITUTE (PPI)



of Indicators set in the first year of our CHNA Implementation Plan were achieved – THANK YOU to our CHNA Task Forces and community partners for making this happen.

PPI reached **771** community members with Mental Health Training and **10,000** people were reached by Behavioral Health Community Outreach.



3,000DisposeRx Packets were distributed.

1,002 lock boxes were distributed across 13 sites.



759

pounds of discarded medications collected in Drug Take Back boxes.

Disease Management 1. Community Paramedicine reduced chronic disease readmissions for heart failure and stroke patients and expanded these efforts from PSHMC to PSHSJ this year. 2. 13,000+ community members were reached by coordinated disease prevention screening, education, navigation and support programs focused on cancer, cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

Healthy Lifestyles

According to County
Health Rankings
(countyhealthrankings.org),
the percent of persons who
lack adequate Access
to Food improved in
Dauphin and Berks
Counties! We cannot
directly say that this is the result
of our efforts, but hopefully all of
our nutrition and food outreach
efforts reaching over 47,000
individuals with healthy food
choices and consistent MyPlate

3,000+ lbs.
of food and
566 flower vases
were distributed from
the Community
Garden.



At the PSHSJ Downtown Campus Veggie Rx Program:

- 111 patients initially enrolled impacting over 215 family members,
- 22,000+ vouchers were redeemed,
- \$45,000 spent on local fruits & veggies.



Oral Health

(choosemyplate.gov) messaging contributed to these positive trends.

- Oral health messaging focused on brushing twice per day and the importance of fluoride reached 700+ members of underserved communities.
- PSHSJ worked with the Pennsylvania Area Health Education Center (AHEC) office and Oral Health Task Force to update the Community Health Worker training curriculum to include early childhood oral health education with an online component that is publicly available so anyone can use.

Physical Activity

10,000+ community
members were reached through
safety initiatives to improve walkability,
a bike share program, walking and
biking trails, and a youth tennis program
initiated in underserved communities.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

- Employee Food Pantries
- Collaborating with the Caring Cupboard Food Pantry to support food delivery to COVID positive patients
- Outdoor Farm Stand in Downtown Reading
- Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing
- Community Donation Center
- Contact Tracing
- Nursing Home Support
- Radio/TV Educational Sessions
- On-Demand COVID Screening App free community benefit to increase access to screening, testing and contact tracing and reached over 6.000 people from March to June 2020.