Making It Happen: Implementing the CHIP
Implementation

The components included in this document represent the strategic framework for a data-driven and community-informed Community Health Improvement Plan. The St. Clair County Health Department, along with community partners, stakeholders, and St. Clair County citizens, will continue finalizing the CHIP by prioritizing strategies, developing specific 1-year action steps, assigning lead responsible parties, and identifying resources for each priority area. Countywide engagement opportunities will occur through interactive public meetings. As needed, detailed work plans for the listed strategies will be developed by the lead agencies.

Each year, the CHIP Advisory Committee will reconvene to review the plan, discuss progress, and share lessons learned. After the annual meeting, the plan will be updated with the most recent data, and any needed changes in strategies will be made. The St. Clair County Health Department will develop an annual progress report based on the results of the progress meeting and will republish a new version of the plan on its website. Progress reports and the updated plan will be distributed to partners via email when available.

In 2023, the CHIP Advisory Committee will reconvene to carry out another strategic planning process, select new strategic priority areas, and develop a new community health improvement plan for St. Clair County.

Community dialogue sessions and forums should occur in order to engage residents in the implementation, to share progress, to solicit feedback, and to strengthen the CHIP. Regular communication to community members and stakeholders will occur throughout the implementation. New and creative ways to feasibly engage all parties should continually be explored at the aforementioned engagement opportunities.

Putting the CHIP into Action

There is a wide array of opportunities for various community stakeholders and partners to use and implement the CHIP to improve the overall health of St. Clair County.

St. Clair County Health Department/Government Agencies:
- Use the CHIP to help craft public policies that will improve the health and quality of life for St. Clair County residents
- Collaborate with healthcare partners in evaluating and updating progress on the strategic priorities identified in the Plan
- Share public health data with partners working toward the recommended policies and objectives of this Plan
- Utilize the CHIP to enhance preventative and educational outreach efforts throughout the community

Healthcare Professionals:
- Share data on programs that are addressing the strategic priority areas of the CHIP
- Assist with the implementation and evaluation of programs and strategies in St. Clair County
→ Collaborate among health centers and with the St. Clair County Health Department to maximize resources and reduce the duplication of efforts
→ Participate in the annual CHIP progress meetings and future efforts to develop updated plans

Private Sector:
→ Implement pertinent recommendations on policies and programs to make your business a healthier place to work
→ Provide your employees with resources for improving health and productivity
→ Provide your employees with opportunities for wellness and healthy eating through the creation of wellness programs and special activities

Community Organizations:
→ Participate in planning and outreach efforts to ensure your constituents have a voice regarding prioritized health issues in St. Clair County
→ Advocate for positive wellness and health improvement efforts to create healthier communities in which to live
→ Partner with the St. Clair County Health Department and other health-focused organizations to host and support outreach and educational initiatives focused on the strategic priority areas
→ Provide data and information to help inform planning and implementation strategies

Educational Institutions:
→ Understand the strategic priority health issues in St. Clair County and collaborate with partners to align your organization’s programs and policies with the identified CHIP recommendations and objectives
→ Assist in the promotion and/or creation of resources that promote community health
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Glossary of Acronyms

ACEs  Adverse Childhood Experiences
ADA  American with Disabilities Act
BMI  Body Mass Index
BRFS  Behavioral Risk Factor Survey
CDC  Center for Disease Control
CHD  Coronary Heart Disease / Congenital Heart Disease
CHIP  Community Health Improvement Plan
CHNA  Community Health Needs Assessment
COPD  Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
CSO  Combined Sewer Overflow
CTSA  Community Themes & Strengths Assessment
DTMB  Department of Technology, Management and Budget
EMS  Emergency Medical Services
ENT  Ears, Nose and Throat (specialist)
FOCA  Forces of Change Assessment
HIAP  Health in All Policies
HIV  Human Immunodeficiency Virus
LPHS  Local Public Health System
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MAPP  Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships
MCO  Managed Care Organization
MiPHY  Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth
MPC  Metropolitan Planning Commission
NACCHO  National Association of County and City Health Officials
NAS  Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
NSC  National Skills Coalition
OECD  Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PTSD  Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
RESA  Regional Educational Service Agency
SCCOTS  St. Clair County Transportation Study
STDS  Sexually Transmitted Diseases
SUD  Substance Use Disorder
THC  Teen Health Center
VA  Veterans Affairs