

2016 Community Health Needs Assessment & Implementation Plan



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What is a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA)?

The CHNA is an assessment of the Health Need of a given community as identified by local healthcare experts and community members. Non profit hospitals are required by the Federal Government to conduct a CHNA every 3 years.

There are 7 areas of need identified by the Alamogordo Community (listed by priority):

1. Access to Primary Care
2. Obesity
3. Insurance Affordability
4. Diabetes
5. Cancer
6. Behavioral Health
7. Heart Disease

GERALD CHAMPION REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER'S IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AS PRIORITIZED BY THE COMMUNITY

ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE

- Physician recruitment for primary care providers
- Use of Certified Nurse Practitioners (CNP) and Physicians Assistants
- Open new Urgent Care Clinic in Summer of 2017
- Physician Referral Service

OBESITY

- Champion Health & Wellness Clinic
- Outpatient Nutritional Counseling
- Utilize Annual Health Fair to Support Wellness & Healthy Choices
- Endocrinology services for metabolic disorders
- Work in partnership with The Hospitals of Providence for surgical treatment of severe obesity
- Support Community Initiatives such as HEAL

INSURANCE AFFORDABILITY

- Work with State Medicaid Programs to enroll patients
- GCRMC Charity Care Program
- Continued Support of Presbyterian Medical Services Clinics (Alamogordo, Chaparral, Cloudcroft, Tularosa)

DIABETES

- Promote Diabetic Education Program
- Champion Health & Wellness Clinic
- Advanced Wound Care Center screens for diabetic wounds
- Increase to quarterly diabetic screening opportunities
- Diabetic Support Group
- Expand Endocrinology Services by adding Certified Nurse Practitioner

CANCER

- Champion Cancer Center:
Katrina Rolen, MD - Hematology & Medical Oncology
Heather Podhajecki - AOCNS
Peter Bernat, MD, PhD, CMD - Radiation Oncology
- State-of-the-Art Technology in Radiation Therapy
- Support CHINS efforts in Smoking Cessation
- Community Education
- GCRMC Sponsored
Cancer Resource Center:
1212 E 9th St Ste E
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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

- Continued recruitment for 2 Psychiatrists
- Expansion of Inpatient Behavioral Medicine Services
- Expansion of services to include partial hospitalization to 38 beds in 2017
- Renovation of Emergency Department to accommodate Behavioral Medicine patients awaiting admission
- Presbyterian Behavioral Medicine Services

HEART DISEASE

- Expanded out patient Cardiology Clinic
- 24/7 Cath Lab in partnership with The Hospitals of Providence
- Cardiac Rehabilitation Program
- Champion Health & Wellness Clinic
- Outpatient Nutrition Counseling
- Community Education



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