

HOULTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL
 Community Health Needs Assessment Implementation Plan 2022/2023
 Collaboration with the Aroostook Public Health Council

Top Health Priorities for Aroostook County, as identified in the Maine Shared Community Health Needs Assessment

Health Priority	Activities	Partners	Anticipated Impact	Key Accomplishments
Mental Health and Substance/Alcohol Use	*Establish quarterly Community Care Coordinating Program	Law Enforcement, Primary Care Providers, DHHS, Area Social Service Agencies, Case Management Agencies, AMHC	Better access to treatment for our Patients	Quarterly meetings have been established to review and address the needs of individuals with mental health and substance abuse issues .
	*Medication Assisted Treatment Program	Bangor Public Health, AMHC, GROUPS	Reduction in Drug-Related Deaths	
	*Cradle ME Program	Statewide Program adopted by Houlton Regional Hospital	Soothing Drug-Affected Infants	
	*Increase advocacy for appropriate patients with Acadia Hospital and NMMC Inpatient Psychiatric Unit	Acadia Hospital NMMC	Improved access to inpatient services	Increased communication and care coordination with facilities providing psychiatric care for adults and children has resulted in faster transfer to facilities better equipped to provide care for these individuals.

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Access to Care	<p>*Re-establish training partnerships for local EMT trainees</p> <p>*Work with Local EMS Directors to better communicate the urgent care needs of the hospital and community</p> <p>*Identify and implement appropriate telehealth specialty services</p> <p>*Continued Recruitment of Primary Care Providers</p>	<p>Local EMS Providers and Community Colleges</p> <p>Local EMS Providers</p> <p>CONFERMed and other Telehealth Specialty Providers</p> <p>University of New England, Recruitment Agencies, Maine Office of Primary Care</p>	<p>Increase the number of qualified first responders in the communities we serve</p> <p>Decrease time for urgent/emergent transfers to tertiary facilities</p> <p>Provide more specialty services closer to home</p> <p>Increased provision of Primary Care Services</p>	
Older Adult Health	<p>*Explore implementation of outpatient case management</p> <p>*Re-establish quarterly Meetings with area Long Term Care facilities and area Home Health agencies</p>	<p>Houlton Regional Hospital Case Management, CCPM</p> <p>Madigan Healthcare Services, Gardiner Healthcare, Crest View Manor, Northern Light Home Health, Valley/Aroostook Home Health Services</p>	<p>Improved care coordination and integration of patient support services and resources for better access to care</p> <p>Collaboration to meet patient care needs along the care continuum</p>	

	Participate in the Aroostook County Health Improvement Project.	Aroostook Agency on Aging, AR Gould Hospital, Northern Maine Medical Center, AMHC, Aroostook Public Health District, Cary Medical center/Pines, Catholic Charities, Ethos, Healthy Living for ME, Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, KVHC, Maine Veteran's Homes, Presque Isle Housing Authority, UMPI	Improve health outcomes for County residents by addressing social determinants of health	
Social Determinants of Health	Host Community Garden From The First Tooth Program Prescription Assistance Program	Katahdin Bank, FA Peabody, Bangor Savings Bank and other new partners Children's Oral Health Program of Maine Various Pharmaceutical Manufacturers	Increased access to free seasonal vegetables to area residents Improved Oral Health for Children Improved access to needed medications for patients who qualify for lower income assistance	With our partners, we were able to distribute approximately 130 bags of fresh vegetables to our communities