



COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES



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This community health needs assessment is a crucial step in future strategic planning. Setting priorities cannot be accomplished without gaining an understanding of the community's health care needs and concerns. Addressing the health care service issues identified during the assessment is the next step in the planning process.

After reviewing the results of the health care need assessment, priorities for action steps were determined. The following gaps in health services were identified as a priority in future planning efforts.

- Comprehensive Mental Health Treatment Options
 - RGH will implement a behavioral / mental health service line.
 - RGH will explore the expansion of the behavioral / mental health service line by hiring different health care providers.
 - RGH will continue to utilize Westbrook Health Services to provide behavioral health and substance abuse services when possible.

- Obesity / Overweight: Weight Management
 - RGH will continue to promote and grow the Prescription for Your Health program.
 - RGH will continue to promote the fitness center and the benefits of regular activity when it comes to weight loss and disease prevention.
 - RGH will explore the potential of hosting/supporting community educational events to give citizens resources to educate themselves on weight management.
 - RGH will address Food Insecurity and Nutrition Education through strategic planning efforts.

- Food Insecurity / Nutrition Education
 - RGH will continue the partnership with WVU to support the FARMacy program which address food insecurity and nutrition education.
 - RGH will continue to look for opportunities for partnerships to improve food insecurity in the community.
 - RGH will continue to expand on nutrition education offerings through the Prescription for Your Health Program.
 - RGH will continue to utilize outpatient dietician referrals to expand education opportunities for patients.

- Health Care Providers: Primary and Specialty Care
 - RGH will continue recruitment efforts for primary and specialty care providers to ensure services are available to the community.
 - RGH will expand primary care in the community by opening a new Rural Health Clinic in Arnoldsburg.
 - RGH will work towards achieving the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Recognition. The patient-centered medical home is a model of care that puts patients at the forefront of care by developing a comprehensive model of care including prevention and wellness, acute care, and chronic care. The PCMH utilizes a team of care providers to meet the needs of their patients.
 - RGH plans to continue the collaboration with WV Health Right to provide dental services to the community. RGH will continue to market and promote the services to patients and the community.

The progress made upon these action steps will be evaluated during the annual strategic planning sessions for Roane General Hospital by the administrative team.