



The mission of HEALTHY COCHISE is to motivate and guide the very diverse and unique communities within Cochise County to actively participate in identifying and addressing health concerns in their neighborhoods, towns and surrounding communities.

Cochise Healthy Communities Coalition - Steering Committee

MINUTES: February 4, 2019 @ 10:30am

**LOCATION: Chiricahua Community Health Center, Inc. Early Childhood Center of Excellence
1120 15th Street, Douglas, AZ**

Conference Call-In: 1-888-240-2560 (US Toll Free)

Meeting ID: 136 830 587

Welcome & Introductions

Review progress of CHIP Implementation Annual Progress Report

MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

- Community Dashboard - signed data sharing agreement with AZ Dept of Health Services to receive all county data reported for our dashboard
- SAMSHA Community Capacity Assessment – almost completed
- Opioids:
 - Crisis Response team – PHN working with Fry Fire to go out with emergency response team when specifically addressing opioid overdoses
 - CHSS provider education grant expanding into school districts to help build capacity

GOOD JOBS & HEALTHY ECONOMY

- Supporting the Douglas Area Sector Analysis Process
- Supporting Census 2020 – a Complete County committee has been convened

HEALTHY EATING, DIABETES & OBESITY

- Hydration Stations – delivered to all 8 applicants/installed at one site so far
- Healthy Cochise APP – working on software and design; called “Cochise Go”
- Leadership Academy – 21 participants; starts 2/23
- School gardens – working on planning for sustainability

HEALTHY COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

- Healthy Community Committees – New groups in Huachuca City and Bowie going well; Bowie’s HCC is integrated with their SHAC. Elfrida starts next week. Possible new groups in the near future in Hereford, Naco and St. David.

Focus Group – Access to Health Care in Cochise County

Based on Public Health Accreditation DOMAIN 7:

Members present provided information and topics for the following areas:

- Gaps in Service, Barriers to Care and Populations Most Affected

Barriers were then organized further by these qualifiers:

- Accessibility, Affordability and Quality of Care

Learning from this discussion included the acknowledgement that many issues cross the boundaries of “accessibility”, “affordability”, and “quality” as well as “gaps” and “barriers”. Members discussed the circular relationship between and among many gaps and barriers – for instance a gap in one area may create or affect a barrier in another area, or how an issue of accessibility can also be an issue of quality of service.

Observations/perspectives included:

- that all of Cochise County is a rural area and thus Specialty health care needs must be considered for the entire county
- survey results should be considered from the provider perspective as well as the member/patient perspective
- recruitment of health care providers of all kinds must include the rural perspective with focus on how to recruit to a rural area, attractions of a rural area, etc
- support services are important too, not just clinical health care, as an issue of accessibility: many folks are not able to access health care services without help

Review of Access to Health Care Survey results

- Survey results: 536 responses/114 (21%) in Spanish
- Preliminary results outline was distributed, reviewed and discussed
- Report will be available end of February and will be disseminated to the public.

Follow-up plan for improving access to health care

This group agreed to meet on March 11, 2019 to begin to draft a plan of strategies to improve access to health care in Cochise County. Most partners already have action plans to address many of these issues in their respective areas. Everyone agreed to bring their organization’s improvement plan to the next meeting and we will review and compare to the overall issues in the HCSA report and identify shared strategies and decide if any county-wide strategies could benefit from a unified approach.

2019 MEETINGS Quarterly, First Monday:

February 4 @ Chiricahua Community Health Center, Inc. 1120 15th St, Douglas

May 6 @ Copper Queen Community Hospital, 101 Cole Avenue, Bisbee

August 5 @ Northern Cochise Community Hospital, 901 W Rex Allen Dr, Willcox

November 4 @ Canyon Vista Medical Center, 5700 AZ Highway 92, Sierra Vista



Healthy Cochise Coalition Steering Committee February 4, 2019

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HEALTHY COCHISE STEERING COMMITTEE - FOCUS GROUP RESULTS - February 4, 2019

BARRIER or GAP	ACCESSIBILITY	AFFORDABILITY	QUALITY	TYPE	COMMENT
BARRIER	ACC			seniors	Navigating the system - especially seniors
BARRIER	ACC		QUAL	seniors	Seniors need case management
BARRIER	ACC		QUAL	seniors	Isolation (seniors)
BARRIER	ACC		QUAL	spec care	Long waits for specialty providers
BARRIER	ACC		QUAL	spec care	Specialists availabilities
BARRIER	ACC		QUAL	avail of prov	People are afraid/not confident with providers
BARRIER	ACC			avail of prov	Health Care Professional Shortage Area (we need more providers)
BARRIER	ACC	AFF	QUAL	insurance	Insurance stearge
BARRIER	ACC		QUAL	insurance	Knowledge of benefits
BARRIER	ACC	AFF		insurance	Knowledge of how to access insurance benefits
BARRIER	ACC			transp	Transportation between Douglas - Willcox
BARRIER	ACC			transp	Transportation X5
BARRIER		AFF		seniors	Senior poverty (home owners)
BARRIER		AFF		prevention	Funding for preventative care
BARRIER		AFF		seniors	Seniors need medication
GAP	ACC			seniors	Community support groups for elder issues
GAP	ACC		QUAL	youth	Family supports (children with high needs)
GAP	ACC			youth	Youth behavioral health
GAP	ACC			beh/sub	Opioid and substance abuse gaps
GAP	ACC	AFF		beh/sub	Mental health services for non AHCCCS
GAP	ACC			beh/sub	Mental health and substance abuse services in Willcox especially for kids
GAP	ACC	AFF		beh/sub	Mental health services for children/youth
GAP	ACC			beh/sub	Outpatient behavioral health
GAP	ACC		QUAL	beh/sub	Timely mental health services
GAP	ACC			spec care	Lack of service providers "specialists"
GAP	ACC			spec care	Specialty providers
GAP	ACC		QUAL	spec care	Lack of specialty physicians
GAP	ACC		QUAL	spec care	Specialty support systems for conditions - Autism, etc...
GAP	ACC			spec care	(Immigration, outmigration, utilization, resignation?) for specialty care
GAP	ACC			spec care	Local specialists
GAP	ACC			spec care	Specialists - OB/GYNI
GAP	ACC			prevention	Robust preventative services
GAP	ACC			prevention	Preventative care
GAP	ACC			dental/vision	Dental services
GAP	ACC			avail of prov	lack of providers
GAP	ACC		QUAL	spec care	Specialists who stay in area - building trust
BOTH	ACC		QUAL	avail of prov	Difficulty recruiting and retaining quality providers (medical/dental/behavioral health)
BOTH	ACC			transp	Distance to care - lack of transportation
BOTH	ACC	AFF	QUAL	transp	Air Evac vs Ambulance
BOTH	ACC	AFF		insurance	Insurance coverage X3
BOTH	ACC	AFF	QUAL	insurance	Frequent changes in coverage
BOTH	ACC	AFF		insurance	Health insurance for small businesses is not affordable
BOTH	ACC	AFF		insurance	Cost of services X3
BOTH		AFF		dental/vision	Adults on AHCCCS - no dental or vision