

Mayo Regional Hospital used the data from the shared CHNA (Community Health Needs Assessment) and developed a plan to identify the significant health needs of our community that would include improvement and/or maintenance of the health status of our service area. We developed a team within Mayo Regional Hospital to work on the CHNA and plan. This team consisted of the Chief Executive Officer, the Vice President of Quality and Education, Emergency Medical Services Director, Nurse Navigators from the primary care practices, the Vice President of Patient Care Services, the Director of Mayo Community Outreach, our Registered Clinical Dietitian, and the Nurse Manager of our Medical Surgical Department. As the plan was in development, we took many opportunities to share this emerging plan with many different groups within the hospital and community. We were involved in many planning sessions for Piscataquis County, which included stakeholder surveys and community engagement forums (Spring 2017, Fall 2018) to discuss the most significant health needs in our community. During these sessions, we learned the needs and priorities of our community. The team prioritized the significant health needs by examining the data from the CHNA, evaluating the input from the community stakeholders, and considering the burden, scope, severity and urgency of the health need. We also considered the feasibility and effectiveness of possible interventions, any health disparities, and the importance the community placed on the need. With this information, the team voted on the priority listings.

Mayo Regional Hospital's CHNA team developed a plan and shared this plan and some of the activities in the plan with Mayo Regional Hospitals Patient Multidisciplinary Safety Team, the Committee of Quality Care and Professional Performance (a meeting of board members and medical staff), the Patient Advisory Council and then got final approval from the Hospital Administrative District #4 Board of Director's on March, 27<sup>th</sup> 2019.

The 2019-2021 health priorities identified within this plan for Piscataquis County are:

- 1.) Substance Abuse
- 2.) Mental Health
- 3.) Access to Care
- 4.) Obesity
- 5.) Limited Access to Healthy Food/Food Insecurity



## 2019-2021 Community Health Needs Assessment, Plan and Action

| Unmet<br>Needs                     | Measurability  | Initiative   | Target<br>Population/<br>Barriers  | Goal   | Updates |
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| Priority<br>#1<br>Substance<br>Use | Data shows<br>Piscataquis has a<br>high rate of<br>substance<br>exposed infants<br>per 1,000 live<br>births<br>Maine<br>7.7%<br>Piscataquis<br>13.2%<br>Penobscot<br>11.6%<br>Somerset<br>14.1%                                    | Decreasing<br>substance<br>exposed<br>infants<br>Increase<br>deliveries with<br>mothers<br>needing<br>medication<br>assisted<br>therapy<br>treatment<br>Increasing<br>alternative<br>pain options<br>in hospital<br>and office<br>practices<br>Increase<br>opportunities<br>for expectant<br>mothers with<br>substance use<br>disorder<br>including<br>childbirth<br>classes and<br>teen<br>pregnancy<br>prevention. | Adults<br>Teenagers<br>Infants<br>*Rural Area<br>*Low Income<br>*Poverty<br>*Treatment<br>opportunities  | Short term:<br>Teach 10<br>Substance<br>Use<br>Prevention/Ed<br>ucation<br>Classes<br>Annually in<br>Piscataquis<br>County.<br>Long term:<br>Decrease<br>Piscataquis<br>County's<br>overall rate of<br>substance<br>exposed<br>infants to<br>10% by 2021.                              |         |
| Priority<br>#2<br>Mental<br>Health | Piscataquis has a<br>high rate of<br>Emergency<br>Department use<br>for Mental Health<br>per 10,000 visits<br>(almost double<br>the state<br>average.)<br>Maine 165.9<br>Piscataquis 353.8<br>Penobscot 280.6<br>Somerset<br>298.1 | Increase<br>access to<br>mental health<br>providers and<br>Telehealth<br>resources.  | Adults<br>Children<br>Elderly<br>*Rural Area<br>*Low income<br>*Poverty<br>*Uninsured<br>*Transportation | Short term:<br>Increase<br>access to<br>mental health<br>providers<br>within our<br>primary care<br>practices and<br>MPPC by 5%.<br>Long term:<br>Decrease<br>Piscataquis<br>County's<br>overall rate of<br>ED visits for<br>Mental Health<br>to 300 (0.5%)<br>per 10,000<br>visits by |         |



|                                     |   |  |  | 2021.  |  |
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| Priority<br>#3<br>Access to<br>care | Hospital level<br>data reveals<br>Mayo has a<br>higher than<br>desired rate of<br>patients unable<br>to get same day<br>appointments<br>and same day<br>return phone<br>calls.  | Improve<br>Primary Care<br>Provider same<br>day access<br>Improve<br>Hours of<br>availability<br>including<br>evenings and<br>possibly<br>weekends.  | Adults<br>Children<br>Elderly<br>*Rural Area<br>*Poverty<br>*Minimal industry<br>*Transportation | Short term:<br>The patient<br>survey score<br>for the<br>provider<br>returns the<br>call within the<br>same day<br>during office<br>hours will be<br>greater than<br>60%   | Karen Nichols 2 days per week acute visits only. |
|                                     |   | Maintain<br>scheduled<br>open access<br>appointments<br>daily.<br>The offices<br>will be<br>developing<br>plans to<br>answer all<br>calls during<br>the business<br>day  |  | Long term:<br>Increase<br>hours of<br>available<br>appointments<br>with Primary<br>Care<br>Providers to<br>include<br>evenings and<br>weekends by<br>2021.   |  |
| Priority #4<br>Obesity              | Piscataquis<br>County has high<br>obesity rates<br>among high<br>school students.<br>Piscataquis<br>County is 8%<br>higher than the<br>state average.<br>Piscataquis –<br>23%<br>Penobscot –<br>18.7%<br>State Average –<br>15% | Teach<br>children ages<br>5-12 healthy<br>eating and<br>active lifestyle<br>habits.<br>Provide<br>nutrition<br>education and<br>counseling for<br>patients with<br>obesity with<br>our registered<br>clinical<br>dietitian.<br>Continue to<br>work with<br>Piscataquis<br>Healthy Food<br>For All to<br>enhance our<br>patients<br>knowledge of<br>their options<br>for healthy<br>food. | Adults<br>Children<br>*Rural Area<br>*Low Income<br>*Poverty                                     | Short term:<br>Enroll our 4<br>Primary Care<br>offices, 5<br>additional<br>childcare<br>centers, 2<br>schools and 2<br>school lunch<br>rooms in 5-2-<br>1-0 initiatives<br>to raise<br>awareness of<br>healthy eating<br>and active<br>lifestyle<br>options for<br>youth by<br>2021.<br>Long term:<br>Decrease<br>Piscataquis<br>County's<br>overall rate of<br>obesity<br>among high<br>school<br>students to<br>20% by 2021. |  |

