Northern Light Mercy Hospital is working to address substance abuse treatment, affordable housing and homelessness, medical neighborhood, preventive screenings and immunizations, enrollment activities and coverage counseling, and health education as priority areas of focus.

**Priority #1: Substance Abuse Treatment**

**Rationale:**
The goal is to create a successful integrated and comprehensive substance abuse treatment model for the Greater Portland community.

**Priority #2: Affordable Housing and Homelessness**

**Rationale:**
McAuley Residence serves homeless women who are battling substance use disorder with or without their children. The majority of women are addicted to opiates with ten or more years of active use and significant trauma, including rape, sex trafficking, and domestic violence. The program provides housing, access to comprehensive care, and promotes healthy lifestyles and self-sufficiency.

**Priority #3: Medical Neighborhood:**
Affordable options for people who are uninsured or underinsured

**Rationale:**
The intent of this model is to provide access to care, leverage sustainable community assets, and promote rational utilization of all services.