

Community Health Needs Assessment

Recommendations for Priority Health Issues/Objectives

Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital partnered with other UP Hospitals and organizations to conduct a Community Health Needs Assessment in 2018 and the following reflects the implementation Strategies for the three priority health needs to be addressed by the hospital and community, with objectives specific to SMH's role in addressing identified population health needs over the next 3 years (2019-2021):

Need #1: Youth Mentoring and Business

Objective 1.a: Recruit adult volunteers to serve as mentors for teens in community leadership

Objective 1.b: Promote careers in healthcare with teens through HOSA program and career fairs.

Need #2: Substance Use and Attitudes about Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco, Vaping

Objective 2.a: Investigate creation of a FAN (Families Against Narcotics) group in Schoolcraft County.

Objective 2.b: Plan workshops and seminars promoting behavioral health and addictions resources.

Need #3: Behavioral Health, Mental Health, Peer Support

Objective 3.a: Expand Community Connect Program to reach patients in our service area and refer to available community services

Objective 3.b: Develop online resource tool for Community Connect program and professionals

Objective 3.c: Increase access to behavioral health through telehealth services and community outreach.

Objective 3d: Recruit and hire behavioral health professionals to grow the program and meet the needs of the community.