



## **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 2021 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 (2022-2024):

#### **Need #1: Address shortage of mental health programs and affordable mental health care**

Objective 1.a: Increase the number of mental health providers on the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Behavioral Health Team

Objective 1.b: Explore additional opportunities to increase access to care; ie group therapy, community outreach, prevention initiatives and school involvement

Objective 1.c: Recruit and hire behavioral health professionals to grow the program and meet the needs of the community.

#### **Need #2: Offer ongoing community education on various health topics and increase outreach efforts**

Objective 2.a: Develop a calendar that offers opportunities for staff to engage in community events and education opportunities

Objective 2.b: Identify topics for community education for marketing materials, health fairs, community events and virtual offerings.

#### **Need #3: Expand access to dental services in Schoolcraft County**

Objective 3.a: Conduct a feasibility assessment to provide additional dental services in our community.

Objective 3.b: Identify community spaces that could be used for additional dental facilities

Objective 3.c: Research mobile dental units to serve the community's needs.

Objective 3d: Recruit and hire dental professionals as determined by the feasibility study.