



Community Health Improvement Plan Quarterly Update – Winter 2018

Key Activities

Create Comprehensive Case Management: A coordinated effort, led by Community Partnership of the Ozarks and the United Way of the Ozarks, has been successfully funded through the Missouri Foundation for Health. The multi-year effort will focus on connecting community organizations through the web-based platform, Service Point, to improve case management support for individuals accessing services within the community.

Develop a Referral System to Appropriate Care: CoxHealth has led efforts with Jordan Valley Community Health Center and the Springfield-Greene County Health Department to develop streamlined and consistent referral mechanisms between organizations. CoxHealth also received funding from the Missouri Foundation for Health to implement the same web-based tool, Service Point into the project. Ideally, the platform will, in the future, merge with the platform create by CPO and United Way.

Improved Pathways for Healthcare Careers: In addition to the objective activities of the Missouri Career Center and GOCAPS, CoxHealth was awarded \$2.2 million from the Economic Development Administration for renovations of Cox College. This will result in the training of more than 450 additional nurses over a nine-year period.

Tobacco Use: The HLA Tobacco Committee has recently conducted some preliminary efforts to determine the feasibility of Tobacco 21 in Springfield. The Springfield-Greene County Health Department has been developing a white paper on the issue and examining options for code enforcement. The committee will work to determine the level of broad-based support for the initiative.

Complete a Mental Health Assessment: Crescendo Consulting Group was awarded the contract to conduct the assessment. Early work of Crescendo, which began in November, has focused on meeting with community leaders to better understand the challenges and perspectives within different sectors, as well as collecting available data to better understand the issues. They will be in Springfield every month conducting the assessment. The model below depicts the approach taken within the assessment.

