Beyond just the numbers, Ozark Health Commission (OHC) members wanted input and buy-in from citizens in each Community. To this end, a survey was administered covering the entire OHC Region. Preliminary results from that survey informed the themes of the focus groups, which specifically targeted at-risk members of each Community—medically underserved and low-income populations. The steering committee of the OHC was also composed of a variety of organizations representing multiple diverse perspectives. More detail on survey responses and focus group participants and findings can be found in the Methodology section of this report.

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