Summary Report

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Introduction
About This Assessment

This Community Health Needs Assessment is a systematic, data-driven approach to determining the health status, behaviors and needs of residents in the service area of Alexian Brothers Health System. Subsequently, this information may be used to inform decisions and guide efforts to improve community health and wellness.

A Community Health Needs Assessment provides information so that communities may identify issues of greatest concern and decide to commit resources to those areas, thereby making the greatest possible impact on community health status.

This assessment was conducted on behalf of Alexian Brothers Health System as part of a larger project sponsored by the Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council (MCHC) by Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (PRC). PRC is a nationally-recognized healthcare consulting firm with extensive experience conducting Community Health Needs Assessments such as this in hundreds of communities across the United States since 1994.

Methodology

This assessment incorporates data from both quantitative and qualitative sources. Quantitative data input includes primary research (the PRC Community Health Survey) and secondary research (vital statistics and other existing health-related data); these quantitative components allow for comparison to benchmark data at the state and national levels. Qualitative data input includes primary research gathered through an Online Key Informant Survey of various community stakeholders.

PRC Community Health Survey

Survey Instrument
The survey instrument used for this study is based largely on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), as well as various other public health surveys and customized questions addressing gaps in indicator data relative to health promotion and disease prevention objectives and other recognized health issues. The final survey instrument was developed by the Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council (MCHC) and PRC.
Community Defined for This Assessment

The study area for the survey effort (referred to as the “Total Service Area” or “TSA” in this report) is comprised of 84 residential ZIP Codes based on patient origination. This area definition is illustrated in the following map.

Sample Approach & Design

A precise and carefully executed methodology is critical in asserting the validity of the results gathered in the PRC Community Health Survey. Thus, to ensure the best representation of the population surveyed, a telephone interview methodology — one that incorporates both landline and cell phone interviews — was employed. The primary advantages of telephone interviewing are timeliness, efficiency and random-selection capabilities.

The sample design used for this effort consisted of a sample of 1,033 individuals age 18 and older in the Total Service Area. Because this study is part of a larger effort involving multiple regions and hospital service areas, the surveys were distributed among various strata. Once the interviews were completed, these were weighted in proportion to the actual population distribution so as to appropriately represent the Total Service Area as a whole. All administration of the surveys, data collection and data analysis was conducted by Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (PRC).

For statistical purposes, the maximum rate of error associated with a sample size of 1,033 respondents is ±3.1% at the 95 percent level of confidence.

Sample Characteristics

To accurately represent the population studied, PRC strives to minimize bias through application of a proven telephone methodology and random-selection techniques. And, while this random sampling of the population produces a highly representative sample, it is a common and preferred practice to “weight” the raw data to improve this representativeness even further. This is accomplished by adjusting the results of a random sample to match the geographic distribution and demographic characteristics of the population surveyed.
(poststratification), so as to eliminate any naturally occurring bias.

The following chart outlines the characteristics of the Total Service Area sample for key demographic variables, compared to actual population characteristics revealed in census data. [Note that the sample consisted solely of area residents age 18 and older; data on children were given by proxy by the person most responsible for that child’s healthcare needs, and these children are not represented demographically in this chart.]

### Population & Survey Sample Characteristics
(Total Service Area, 2015)

![Chart showing population and survey sample characteristics.]

**Sources:**
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Further note that the poverty descriptions and segmentation used in this report are based on administrative poverty thresholds determined by the US Department of Health & Human Services. These guidelines define poverty status by household income level and number of persons in the household (e.g., the 2014 guidelines place the poverty threshold for a family of four at $23,850 annual household income or lower). In sample segmentation: “low income” refers to community members living in a household with defined poverty status or living just above the poverty level, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “mid/high income” refers to those households living on incomes which are twice or more the federal poverty level.

The sample design and the quality control procedures used in the data collection ensure that the sample is representative. Thus, the findings may be generalized to the total population of community members in the defined area with a high degree of confidence.

### Online Key Informant Survey
To solicit input from key informants, those individuals who have a broad interest in the health of the community, an Online Key Informant Survey was also implemented as part of this process. A list of recommended participants was provided by MCHC member hospitals; this list included names and contact information for physicians, public health representatives, other health professionals, social service providers, and a variety of other community leaders. Potential participants were chosen because of their ability to identify primary concerns of the populations with whom they work, as well as of the community overall.
Key informants were contacted by email, introducing the purpose of the survey and providing a link to take the survey online; reminder emails were sent as needed to increase participation. In all, 60 community stakeholders in the Total Service Area took part in the Online Key Informant Survey, as outlined below:

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<th>Key Informant Type</th>
<th>Number Invited</th>
<th>Number Participating</th>
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<td>Community/Business Leader</td>
<td>59</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>Other Health (Non-Physician)</td>
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<td>Physician</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Public Health Expert</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>Social Services Representative</td>
<td>42</td>
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Final participation included representatives of the organizations outlined below.

- A Safe Haven Foundation
- Antoich Area Healthcare Accessibility Alliance
- Austin Childcare Providers Network
- Chicago Department of Public Health
- DuPage County Health Department
- DuPage Federation on Human Services Reform
- Elmhurst CUSD 205
- Enlace Chicago
- Erie Family Health Center/Erie HealthReach Waukegan
- Healthcare Foundation of Northern Lake County
- Illinois Department of Public Health, Bellwood Reg Office
- Lake County Forest Preserves
- Lake County Health Department
- Lake County Community Health Center
- Loretto Hospital
- Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare council
- Naperville School District 203
- New Moms, Inc.
- Northwest Community Healthcare
- Northwest Compass, Inc.
- Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital
- PCC Community Wellness Center
- People’s Resource Center
- St. Joseph Services
- United Way of Metropolitan Chicago
Through this process, input was gathered from several individuals whose organizations work with low-income, minority populations (including African-American, Arabic, Asian, autistic children, Chinese, the disabled, Eastern European, elderly, ethnic minorities, Filipino, Hispanic, the homeless, immigrants, Indian, Japanese, LGBT population, low-income residents, multilingual, multiracial, non-English speaking, Polish, Russian, South American, undocumented, uninsured/underinsured, women, youth), or other medically underserved populations (including African-American, the disabled, elderly, ex-offenders, free care, Hispanic, the homeless, immigrants, LGBT community, low-income, Medicaid/Medicare, the mentally ill, non-English speaking adults, pregnant teens, substance abusers, undocumented, uninsured/underinsured, veterans, young adults, youth).

In the online survey, key informants were asked to rate the degree to which various health issues are a problem in their own community. Follow-up questions asked them to describe why they identify problem areas as such, and how these might be better addressed. Results of their ratings, as well as their verbatim comments, are included throughout this report as they relate to the various other data presented.

NOTE: These findings represent qualitative rather than quantitative data. The Online Key Informant Survey was designed to gather input from participants regarding their opinions and perceptions of the health of the residents in the area. Thus, these findings are based on perceptions, not facts.

Public Health, Vital Statistics & Other Data

A variety of existing (secondary) data sources was consulted to complement the research quality of this Community Health Needs Assessment. Data were obtained from the following sources (specific citations are included with the graphs throughout this report):

- Center for Applied Research and Environmental Systems (CARES)
- Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Office of Infectious Disease, National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention
- Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Office of Public Health Science Services, Center for Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory Services, Division of Health Informatics and Surveillance (DHIS)
- Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Office of Public Health Science Services, National Center for Health Statistics
- Community Commons
- Connecticut Department of Public Health
- ESRI ArcGIS Map Gallery
- National Cancer Institute, State Cancer Profiles
- OpenStreetMap (OSM)
- US Census Bureau, American Community Survey
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- US Census Bureau, County Business Patterns
- US Census Bureau, Decennial Census
- US Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service
- US Department of Health & Human Services
- US Department of Health & Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- US Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation
- US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note that secondary data indicators reflect county-level data for Cook, Lake, and DuPage counties.

**Benchmark Data**

**Illinois Risk Factor Data**
Statewide risk factor data are provided where available as an additional benchmark against which to compare local survey findings; these data are reported in the most recent *BRFSS (Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System) Prevalence and Trend Data* published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the US Department of Health & Human Services. State-level vital statistics are also provided for comparison of secondary data indicators.

**Nationwide Risk Factor Data**
Nationwide risk factor data, which are also provided in comparison charts, are taken from the *2013 PRC National Health Survey*; the methodological approach for the national study is identical to that employed in this assessment, and these data may be generalized to the US population with a high degree of confidence. National-level vital statistics are also provided for comparison of secondary data indicators.

**Healthy People 2020**
Healthy People provides science-based, 10-year national objectives for improving the health of all Americans. The Healthy People initiative is grounded in the principle that setting national objectives and monitoring progress can motivate action. For three decades, Healthy People has established benchmarks and monitored progress over time in order to:

- Encourage collaborations across sectors.
- Guide individuals toward making informed health decisions.
- Measure the impact of prevention activities.

Healthy People 2020 is the product of an extensive stakeholder feedback process that is unparalleled in government and health. It integrates input from public health and prevention experts, a wide range of federal, state and local government officials, a consortium of more than 2,000 organizations, and perhaps most importantly, the public. More than 8,000 comments were considered in drafting a comprehensive set of Healthy People 2020 objectives.


**Determining Significance**

Differences noted in this report represent those determined to be significant. For survey-derived indicators (which are subject to sampling error), statistical significance is determined based on confidence intervals (at the 95 percent confidence level) using question-specific samples and response rates. For secondary data indicators (which do not carry sampling error, but might be subject to reporting error), "significance," for the purpose of this report, is determined by a 5% variation from the comparative measure.

**Information Gaps**

While this assessment is quite comprehensive, it cannot measure all possible aspects of health in the community, nor can it adequately represent all possible populations of interest. It must be recognized that these information gaps might in some ways limit the ability to assess all of the community’s health needs.

For example, certain population groups — such as the homeless, institutionalized persons, or those who only speak a language other than English or Spanish — are not represented in the survey data. Other population groups — for example, pregnant women, lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender residents, undocumented residents, and members of certain racial/ethnic or immigrant groups — might not be identifiable or might not be represented in numbers sufficient for independent analyses.

In terms of content, this assessment was designed to provide a comprehensive and broad picture of the health of the overall community. However, there are certainly a great number of medical conditions that are not specifically addressed.
**IRS Form 990, Schedule H Compliance**

For non-profit hospitals, a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) also serves to satisfy certain requirements of tax reporting, pursuant to provisions of the Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act of 2010. To understand which elements of this report relate to those requested as part of hospitals’ reporting on IRS Form 990 Schedule H, the following table cross-references related sections.

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Summary of Findings
## Significant Health Needs of the Community

The following “areas of opportunity” represent the significant health needs of the community, based on the information gathered through this Community Health Needs Assessment and the guidelines set forth in Healthy People 2020. From these data, opportunities for health improvement exist in the area with regard to the following health issues (see also the summary tables presented in the following section).

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<td>- Cancer Incidence</td>
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<td>- Including Prostate Cancer, Female Breast Cancer, Colorectal Cancer, Cervical Cancer Incidence</td>
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<td>- Colorectal Cancer Screening (Including Blood Stool Exams)</td>
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<td><strong>Chronic Kidney Disease</strong></td>
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<td>- Kidney Disease Deaths</td>
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<td><strong>Diabetes</strong></td>
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<td>- Prevalence of Borderline/Pre-Diabetes</td>
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<td>- Diabetes ranked as a top concern in the Online Key Informant Survey.</td>
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<td><strong>Heart Disease &amp; Stroke</strong></td>
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<td>- Heart Disease Deaths</td>
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<td>- High Blood Cholesterol Prevalence</td>
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<td>- HIV Prevalence</td>
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<td><strong>Immunization &amp; Infectious Diseases</strong></td>
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<td>- Pneumonia/Influenza Deaths</td>
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<td>- Flu Vaccination [65+]</td>
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<td><strong>Infant Health &amp; Family Planning</strong></td>
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<td>- Low-Weight Births</td>
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<td><strong>Injury &amp; Violence</strong></td>
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<td>- Firearm Prevalence</td>
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<td>- Including in Homes With Children</td>
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<td>- Homicide Deaths</td>
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<td>- Violent Crime Rate</td>
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<td>- Diagnosed Depression</td>
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<td>- Suicide Deaths</td>
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<td>- 3+ Days Without Enough Sleep in the Past Month</td>
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<td>- Mental Health ranked as a top concern in the Online Key Informant Survey.</td>
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<td><strong>Nutrition, Physical Activity &amp; Weight</strong></td>
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<td>• Asthma Prevalence [Children]</td>
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<td>• Gonorrhea Incidence</td>
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<td>• Chlamydia Incidence</td>
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<td>• Multiple Sexual Partners</td>
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<td><strong>Substance Abuse</strong></td>
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<td>• Illicit Drug Use</td>
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<td>• <em>Substance Abuse ranked as a top concern in the Online Key Informant Survey.</em></td>
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Summary Tables: Comparisons With Benchmark Data

The following tables provide an overview of indicators in the Total Service Area. These data are grouped to correspond with the Focus Areas presented in Healthy People 2020.

Reading the Data Summary Tables

In the following charts, the Total Service Area results are shown in the larger, blue column.

The columns to the right of the Total Service Area column provide trending, as well as comparisons between local data and any available state and national findings, and Healthy People 2020 targets. Symbols indicate whether the Total Service Area compares favorably (☉), unfavorably (☉☉), or comparably (☉☉☉) to these external data.

Note that blank table cells signify that data are not available or are not reliable for that area and/or for that indicator.
### Overall Health

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<td>10.0</td>
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<td>% Activity Limitations</td>
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Note: In the green section, each subarea is compared against all other areas combined. Throughout these tables, a blank or empty cell indicates that data are not available for this indicator or that sample sizes are too small to provide meaningful results.

### Access to Health Services

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<td>% [Age 18-64] Lack Health Insurance</td>
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<td>11.8</td>
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<td>% [Insured] Went Without Coverage in Past Year</td>
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<td>6.3</td>
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<td>% Difficulty Accessing Healthcare in Past Year (Composite)</td>
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<td>31.7</td>
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<td>% Cost Prevented Physician Visit in Past Year</td>
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<td>% Difficulty Getting Appointment in Past Year</td>
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<td>% Difficulty Finding Physician in Past Year</td>
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<td>🌧️</td>
<td>7.3</td>
<td>11.0</td>
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<td>% Transportation Hindered Dr Visit in Past Year</td>
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<td>🌧️</td>
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<td>% Skipped Prescription Doses to Save Costs</td>
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<td>☁️</td>
<td>11.4</td>
<td>15.3</td>
<td>14.2</td>
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<td>% Difficulty Getting Child’s Healthcare in Past Year</td>
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<td>4.1</td>
<td>6.0</td>
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<td>Primary Care Doctors per 100,000</td>
<td>☀️</td>
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<td>98.6</td>
<td>79.0</td>
<td>74.5</td>
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<td>% [Age 18+] Have a Specific Source of Ongoing Care</td>
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<td>☁️</td>
<td>77.6</td>
<td>76.3</td>
<td>95.0</td>
<td>78.7</td>
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<td>% [Age 18-64] Have a Specific Source of Ongoing Care</td>
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### Dementias, Including Alzheimer's Disease

#### Alzheimer's Disease (Age-Adjusted Death Rate)

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### Diabetes

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#### % [Non-Diabetes] Blood Sugar Tested in Past 3 Years

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### Educational & Community-Based Programs

#### % Attended Health Event in Past Year

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### Family Planning

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### Vision

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**Note:** Better, Similar, or Worse
Data Charts &
Key Informant Input
Community Characteristics

Population Characteristics

Data from the US Census Bureau reveal the following statistics for our community relative to size, population, density, age, race/ethnicity and language. Keep in mind:

- A significant positive or negative shift in total population over time impacts healthcare providers and the utilization of community resources.
- Urban areas are identified using population density, count, and size thresholds. Urban areas also include territory with a high degree of impervious surface (development). Rural areas are all areas that are not urban.
- It is important to understand the age distribution of the population as different age groups have unique health needs which should be considered separately from others along the age spectrum.

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### About Social Determinants

Health starts in our homes, schools, workplaces, neighborhoods, and communities. We know that taking care of ourselves by eating well and staying active, not smoking, getting the recommended immunizations and screening tests, and seeing a doctor when we are sick all influence our health. Our health is also determined in part by access to social and economic opportunities; the resources and supports available in our homes, neighborhoods, and communities; the quality of our schooling; the safety of our workplaces; the cleanliness of our water, food, and air; and the nature of our social interactions and relationships. The conditions in which we live explain in part why some Americans are healthier than others and why Americans more generally are not as healthy as they could be.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

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The following chart outlines the proportion of our population below the federal poverty threshold, as well as below 200% of the federal poverty level, in comparison to state and national proportions.

**Population in Poverty**  
(Populations Living Below 100% and Below 200% of the Poverty Level; 2009-2013)

- **<100% of Poverty**
- **<200% of Poverty**

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**Total Service Area**  
IL  
US

- **2,174,865 individuals**

**Sources:**  

**Notes:**  
- Poverty is considered a key driver of health status. This indicator is relevant because poverty creates barriers to access including health services, healthy food, and other necessities that contribute to poor health status.

Education levels are reflected in the proportion of our population without a high school diploma.

**Population With No High School Diploma**  
(Population Age 25+ Without a High School Diploma or Equivalent, 2009-2013)

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**Total Service Area**  
IL  
US

- **640,059 individuals**

**Sources:**  

**Notes:**  
- This indicator is relevant because educational attainment is linked to positive health outcomes.
General Health Status

Overall Health Status

Self-Reported Health Status

The initial inquiry of the PRC Community Health Survey asked respondents the following:

“Would you say that in general your health is: excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?”

The following charts further detail “fair/poor” overall health responses in the Total Service Area in comparison to benchmark data, as well as by basic demographic characteristics (namely by gender, age groupings, income [based on poverty status], and race/ethnicity).
Experience “Fair” or “Poor” Overall Health (Total Service Area, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 5]

Notes: Asked of all respondents.
Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.

Activity Limitations

About Disability & Health

An individual can get a disabling impairment or chronic condition at any point in life. Compared with people without disabilities, people with disabilities are more likely to:

- Experience difficulties or delays in getting the health care they need.
- Not have had an annual dental visit.
- Not have had a mammogram in past 2 years.
- Not have had a Pap test within the past 3 years.
- Not engage in fitness activities.
- Use tobacco.
- Be overweight or obese.
- Have high blood pressure.
- Experience symptoms of psychological distress.
- Receive less social-emotional support.
- Have lower employment rates.

There are many social and physical factors that influence the health of people with disabilities. The following three areas for public health action have been identified, using the International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health (ICF) and the three World Health Organization (WHO) principles of action for addressing health determinants.

- **Improve the conditions of daily life** by: encouraging communities to be accessible so all can live in, move through, and interact with their environment; encouraging community living; and removing barriers in the environment using both physical universal design concepts and operational policy shifts.
- **Address the inequitable distribution of resources among people with disabilities and those without disabilities** by increasing: appropriate health care for people with disabilities; education and work opportunities; social participation; and access to needed technologies and assistive supports.
- **Expand the knowledge base and raise awareness about determinants of health for people with disabilities** by increasing: the inclusion of people with disabilities in public health data collection efforts across the lifespan; the inclusion of people with disabilities in health promotion activities; and the expansion of disability and health training opportunities for public health and health care professionals.

Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)
"Are you limited in any way in any activities because of physical, mental or emotional problems?"

Limited in Activities in Some Way
Due to a Physical, Mental or Emotional Problem

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Sources:
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- 2015 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
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Limited in Activities in Some Way
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Mental Health

About Mental Health & Mental Disorders

Mental health is a state of successful performance of mental function, resulting in productive activities, fulfilling relationships with other people, and the ability to adapt to change and to cope with challenges. Mental health is essential to personal well-being, family and interpersonal relationships, and the ability to contribute to community or society. Mental disorders are health conditions that are characterized by alterations in thinking, mood, and/or behavior that are associated with distress and/or impaired functioning. Mental disorders contribute to a host of problems that may include disability, pain, or death. Mental illness is the term that refers collectively to all diagnosable mental disorders. Mental disorders are among the most common causes of disability. The resulting disease burden of mental illness is among the highest of all diseases.

Mental health and physical health are closely connected. Mental health plays a major role in people's ability to maintain good physical health. Mental illnesses, such as depression and anxiety, affect people's ability to participate in health-promoting behaviors. In turn, problems with physical health, such as chronic diseases, can have a serious impact on mental health and decrease a person's ability to participate in treatment and recovery.

The existing model for understanding mental health and mental disorders emphasizes the interaction of social, environmental, and genetic factors throughout the lifespan. In behavioral health, researchers identify: risk factors, which predispose individuals to mental illness; and protective factors, which protect them from developing mental disorders. Researchers now know that the prevention of mental, emotional, and behavioral (MEB) disorders is inherently interdisciplinary and draws on a variety of different strategies. Over the past 20 years, research on the prevention of mental disorders has progressed. The major areas of progress include evidence that:

- MEB disorders are common and begin early in life.
- The greatest opportunity for prevention is among young people.
- There are multyear effects of multiple preventive interventions on reducing substance abuse, conduct disorder, antisocial behavior, aggression, and child maltreatment.
- The incidence of depression among pregnant women and adolescents can be reduced.
- School-based violence prevention can reduce the base rate of aggressive problems in an average school by 25 to 33%.
- There are potential indicated preventive interventions for schizophrenia.
- Improving family functioning and positive parenting can have positive outcomes on mental health and can reduce poverty-related risk.
- School-based preventive interventions aimed at improving social and emotional outcomes can also improve academic outcomes.
- Interventions targeting families dealing with adversities, such as parental depression or divorce, can be effective in reducing risk for depression in children and increasing effective parenting.
- Some preventive interventions have benefits that exceed costs, with the available evidence strongest for early childhood interventions.
- Implementation is complex, it is important that interventions be relevant to the target audiences.
- In addition to advancements in the prevention of mental disorders, there continues to be steady progress in treating mental disorders as new drugs and stronger evidence-based outcomes become available.

Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)
Self-Reported Mental Health Status
“Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression and problems with emotions, would you say that, in general, your mental health is: excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?”

Self-Reported Mental Health Status
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Excellent 35.0%
Very Good 31.5%
Good 21.6%
Fair 10.4%
Poor 1.6%

Experience “Fair” or “Poor” Mental Health

Sources: 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 100]
Notes: Asked of all respondents.
Experience “Fair” or “Poor” Mental Health
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 100]

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Depression

Diagnosed Depression: “Has a doctor or other healthcare provider ever told you that you have a depressive disorder, including depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression?”

Symptoms of Chronic Depression: “Have you had two years or more in your life when you felt depressed or sad most days, even if you felt okay sometimes?”

Have Been Diagnosed With a Depressive Disorder

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 103]

Notes:
- Depressive disorders include depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression.
Have Experienced Symptoms of Chronic Depression

Sources: 
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 101]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: 
- Asked of all respondents.
- Chronic depression includes periods of two or more years during which the respondent felt depressed or sad on most days, even if (s)he felt okay sometimes.

Have Experienced Symptoms of Chronic Depression (Total Service Area, 2015)

Sources: 
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 101]

Notes: 
- Chronic depression includes periods of two or more years during which the respondent felt depressed or sad on most days, even if (s)he felt okay sometimes.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
Stress

“Thinking about the amount of stress in your life, would you say that most days are: extremely stressful, very stressful, moderately stressful, not very stressful or not at all stressful?”

Perceived Level of Stress On a Typical Day
(Total Service Area, 2015)

- Not Very Stressful: 28.5%
- Very Stressful: 8.5%
- Moderately Stressful: 49.1%
- Not At All Stressful: 12.1%
- Extremely Stressful: 1.8%

Perceive Most Days As “Extremely” or “Very” Stressful

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Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 102]
- Asked of all respondents.

Notes:
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.
Sleep

“During the past 30 days, for about how many days have you felt you did NOT get enough rest or sleep?”

### Had 3+ Days in the Past Month Without Enough Sleep

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Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Item 179)
Notes: Asked of all respondents.

Suicide

The following chart outlines the most current age-adjusted mortality rates attributed to suicide in our population. (Refer to “Leading Causes of Death” for an explanation of the use of age-adjusting for these rates.)

### Suicide: Age-Adjusted Mortality Trends

(Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 10.2 or Lower**

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Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.


Notes: Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).

Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Mental Health Treatment

Treatment for Self

“Have you ever sought help from a professional for a mental or emotional problem?” (Among those with a “diagnosed depressive disorder,” which includes respondents reporting a past diagnosis of a depressive disorder by a physician [such as depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression]).

Adults With Diagnosed Depression Who Have Ever Sought Professional Help for a Mental or Emotional Problem

(Among Adults With Diagnosed Depressive Disorder)

Sources:
2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 123]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
Reflects those respondents with a depressive disorder diagnosed by a physician (such as depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression).
*Use caution when interpreting these survey results, as the sample size falls below 50.

Key Informant Input: Mental Health

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Mental Health as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Mental Health as a Problem in the Community

(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.
Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” the following represent what key informants see as the main challenges for persons with mental illness:

Access to Care

Lack of access to psychiatry services and counseling. – Physician

Access to affordable, evidence-based mental illness services that also treat the co-occurring substance addiction and can provide resources to address the other co-morbidities of homelessness and unemployment. – Social Service Representative

Lack of access to counseling, psychiatrists and other mental health resources. – Public Health Expert

Recognizing the need for help, accessing appropriate treatment, and follow-up care. – Community/Business Leader

Huge gap in mental health services for people who are low income. There aren’t resources to refer people to a community based organization and the few that exist are in financial crises and/or have very long waiting times before someone can be seen. Without comprehensive mental health care people remain in crises and their other life problems are exasperated. – Social Service Representative

Access to care. – Community/Business Leader

Lack of services for underinsured. Long wait times for services. Unable to obtain needed medications. – Other Health Provider

Access to mental health professionals in a timely fashion and limited inpatient capacity for those who need it. Also, delays in treatment due to overburdening the mechanisms in place to evaluate patients in a crisis setting. – Physician

The access to healthcare is very challenging, the people that struggle with mental health and need the most support do not have access to care. There’s a stigma, lack of education, and this is another population that costs the community a lot of money when it was not treated. – Social Service Representative

Availability to get to mental health services, affordability of mental health services, treating co-morbidities. – Public Health Expert

Lack of access to outpatient treatment/care. – Public Health Expert

Poorly coordinated mental health system. – Public Health Expert

Access to medications and services that are needed to manage one’s illness. Stigma surrounding mental health persists. – Social Service Representative

Access to care and treatment. Too many individuals with mental illness languish in our jails who are ill equipped to address their real problem. – Other Health Provider

Lack of Resources

Lack of resourcing for mental health treatment, lack of psychiatry, lack of resources for chronically mentally ill. – Public Health Expert

There are scarce resources for those who are severely mentally ill. – Public Health Expert

For individuals with severe mental illness (SMI), there are both gaps in psychiatry and medical care. The gap is psychiatry is significant and recruitment efforts are challenging. – Public Health Expert

Since the decommissioning of services and hospitals an increasing number of the mentally unwell
are also the unhoused and unemployed. Few major providers exist for low income folks who have mental health challenges. Barriers exist for those of moderate and upper level income. Schools still cannot meet the need of students and local practitioners are not well versed at screening or referrals for support. – Social Service Representative

People who are underinsured or uninsured have a very hard time accessing mental health treatment. – Social Service Representative

The demand for services far exceeds the capacity of providers, especially for psychiatric care. The "system" of care needs better coordination of effort and focus on prevention to avoid escalation of disease. – Community/Business Leader

Ongoing care and support are a big challenge, especially for those who have limited or no insurance. Even if a client can get their medications, which are very cost prohibitive, getting ongoing therapy with a qualified bilingual (Spanish) Psychologist is very difficult, especially for the young adult. – Other Health Provider

Difficult to treat and find resources that are affordable. – Social Service Representative

Very little support or resources for ongoing care. – Public Health Expert

Lack of Providers

Lack of providers, lack of transportation to providers, underinsured, and the stigma. – Community/Business Leader

There are too few mental health providers. Psychiatrists are in short supply. Insurance companies make it very difficult to access counseling services and create many barriers to adequate and timely payment for services. There is need for more acute, inpatient services. These needs are especially pressing for those with Medicaid or without insurance. There continues to be an unnatural and detrimental bifurcation between "mental" and "physical" health when, in truth, one affects the other significantly in all of us. – Public Health Expert

There are no mental health service providers for adults or children in this community. – Community/Business Leader

Low number of behavior health providers, particularly for underinsured individuals. – Public Health Expert

Needed on campus to service this population, access to Psychiatrists and Psychotherapists for outpatient services on campus, adult MH PHP/IOP not yet on campus, training and education of general medical staff to care for patients with mental health problems. – Other Health Provider

Co-occurrences

Anxiety and related disorders, including substance abuse. Ours is a high-achieving, data-driven community demanding excellence of all. Adults set the tone. Most are well-educated striving for success in their careers. These parents also measure their own success by how their children perform. Students feel tremendous pressure to "exceed expectations" academically and athletically. Many adults have experienced the added stress of job loss since the economic crisis in 2008 and many have struggled with economic insecurity since. This has created stress and challenged coping skills. It has forced both parents to work to maintain prior standards of living.

As costs outpace income, people worry tremendously about how to keep up and get ahead. Children feel all of this. Regardless of circumstances, they are also still expected to compete and perform, to display the right labels on their shoes, bags and phones. Denial and stigma are the biggest mental health challenges. – Community/Business Leader

The biggest challenge is facing up to the issues in our lives that lead to such results as alcohol and drug abuse, domestic abuse and a whole raft of co-dependent behaviors. – Community/Business Leader

Violence and homelessness. – Community/Business Leader
Living with low incomes can lead to high levels of stress. – Other Health Provider

Stigma

Culturally, mental illness is taboo and seldom diagnosed or treated. – Social Service Representative

Stigma surrounding mental health persists. – Social Service Representative

Understanding that it is a common need, dealing with the stigma. Being able to navigate the health care system and the health care financing systems to access the right care at the right time. Lack of medical provider capacity/comfort in dealing with some of the more routine/less acute mental health concerns in a primary care setting. – Public Health Expert

Stigma is a barrier to seeking out services and there is a lack of culturally and linguistically appropriate services. – Public Health Expert

The stigma of being diagnosed with a behavior health condition. Inadequate inpatient beds or intensive outpatient assistance. Inadequate resources to identify and treat post-traumatic stress disorders, inadequate suicide/crisis prevention resources. Inadequate resources to support addiction recovery. – Other Health Provider

Affordable Care

Access to affordable care options, stigma associated with having such an illness. – Social Service Representative

Services are not covered under many plans. Long waiting lists at the Community Mental Health Centers. – Social Service Representative

Our biggest challenge is affordable substance abuse treatment for persons ages 21 and up in the suburbs. While services exist for minors or for persons with good health insurance, those that lack coverage for whatever reason are left in the dark or must move to Chicago for services. – Other Health Provider

Continuity of Care

Outpatient follow-up medication compliance. – Other Health Provider
Death, Disease & Chronic Conditions

Leading Causes of Death

Distribution of Deaths by Cause
Cancers and cardiovascular disease (heart disease and stroke) are leading causes of death in the community.

![Pie chart showing leading causes of death](chart.png)

Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

Notes: Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10). CLRD is chronic lower respiratory disease.

Age-Adjusted Death Rates for Selected Causes
In order to compare mortality in the service area with other localities (in this case, the state and the United States), it is necessary to look at rates of death — these are figures which represent the number of deaths in relation to the population size (such as deaths per 100,000 population, as is used here).

Furthermore, in order to compare localities without undue bias toward younger or older populations, the common convention is to adjust the data to some common baseline age distribution. Use of these “age-adjusted” rates provides the most valuable means of gauging mortality against benchmark data, as well as Healthy People 2020 targets.

The following chart outlines annual average age-adjusted death rates per 100,000 population for selected causes of death in the service area. (For infant mortality data, see Birth Outcomes & Risks in the Births section of this report.)
### Age-Adjusted Death Rates for Selected Causes
(2011-2013 Deaths per 100,000 Population)

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**Note:**
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population and coded using ICD-10 codes.
- *The Healthy People 2020 Heart Disease target is adjusted to account for all diseases of the heart; the Diabetes target is adjusted to reflect only diabetes mellitus-coded deaths.
Cardiovascular Disease

**About Heart Disease & Stroke**

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, with stroke following as the third leading cause. Together, heart disease and stroke are among the most widespread and costly health problems facing the nation today, accounting for more than $500 billion in healthcare expenditures and related expenses in 2010 alone. Fortunately, they are also among the most preventable.

The leading modifiable (controllable) risk factors for heart disease and stroke are:

- High blood pressure
- High cholesterol
- Cigarette smoking
- Diabetes
- Poor diet and physical inactivity
- Overweight and obesity

The risk of Americans developing and dying from cardiovascular disease would be substantially reduced if major improvements were made across the US population in diet and physical activity, control of high blood pressure and cholesterol, smoking cessation, and appropriate aspirin use.

The burden of cardiovascular disease is disproportionately distributed across the population. There are significant disparities in the following based on gender, age, race/ethnicity, geographic area, and socioeconomic status:

- Prevalence of risk factors
- Access to treatment
- Appropriate and timely treatment
- Treatment outcomes
- Mortality

Disease does not occur in isolation, and cardiovascular disease is no exception. Cardiovascular health is significantly influenced by the physical, social, and political environment, including: maternal and child health; access to educational opportunities; availability of healthy foods, physical education, and extracurricular activities in schools; opportunities for physical activity, including access to safe and walkable communities; access to healthy foods; quality of working conditions and worksite health; availability of community support and resources; and access to affordable, quality healthcare.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)
Age-Adjusted Heart Disease & Stroke Deaths
The greatest share of cardiovascular deaths is attributed to heart disease.

Heart Disease: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 156.9 or Lower (Adjusted)

Sources:
- CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
- The Healthy People 2020 Heart Disease target is adjusted to account for all diseases of the heart.

Heart Disease: Age-Adjusted Mortality Trends
(Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 156.9 or Lower (Adjusted)

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- The Healthy People 2020 Heart Disease target is adjusted to account for all diseases of the heart.
Stroke: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 34.8 or Lower

Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

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Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Local, state and national data are simple three-year averages.
Prevalence of Heart Disease & Stroke

"Has a doctor, nurse or other health professional ever told you that you had: a heart attack, also called a myocardial infarction; or angina or coronary heart disease?" (Heart disease prevalence below is a calculated prevalence that includes those responding affirmatively to either.)

"Has a doctor, nurse or other health professional ever told you that you had a stroke?"

### Prevalence of Heart Disease

**Sources:**
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 124]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
- Includes diagnoses of heart attack, angina or coronary heart disease.

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### Prevalence of Stroke

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**Notes:**
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Cardiovascular Risk Factors

**About Cardiovascular Risk**

Controlling risk factors for heart disease and stroke remains a challenge. High blood pressure and cholesterol are still major contributors to the national epidemic of cardiovascular disease. High blood pressure affects approximately 1 in 3 adults in the United States, and more than half of Americans with high blood pressure do not have it under control. High sodium intake is a known risk factor for high blood pressure and heart disease, yet about 90% of American adults exceed their recommendation for sodium intake.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

**High Blood Pressure & Cholesterol Testing**

“**About how long has it been since you last had your blood pressure taken by a doctor, nurse or other health professional?**” (Chart below reflects responses indicating testing within the past 2 years.)

“**About how long has it been since you last had your blood cholesterol checked?**” (The following chart reflects responses indicating testing within the past 5 years.)

![Chart showing blood pressure and cholesterol testing rates](chart.png)

**Have Had Blood Pressure Checked in the Past Two Years**

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 92.6% or Higher*

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**Sources:**
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 45]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
Have Had Blood Cholesterol Levels Checked in the Past Five Years
Healthy People 2020 Target = 82.1% or Higher

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Total Service Area: 89.6% 93.2% 96.0%

High Blood Pressure & Cholesterol Prevalence

“Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse or other health care professional that you had high blood pressure?”

- “Are you currently taking any action to help control your high blood pressure, such as taking medication, changing your diet, or exercising?”

Prevalence of High Blood Pressure
Healthy People 2020 Target = 26.9% or Lower

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Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Items 48, 125]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
Prevalence of High Blood Pressure
(Total Service Area, 2015)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 26.9% or Lower

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Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 125]

Notes:
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- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status. “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.

Taking Action to Control Hypertension
(Among Adults With High Blood Pressure)

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Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 44]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents who have been diagnosed with high blood pressure.
- In this case, the term “action” refers to medication, change in diet, and/or exercise.
“Blood cholesterol is a fatty substance found in the blood. Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional that your blood cholesterol is high?”

- “Are you currently taking any action to help control your high cholesterol, such as taking medication, changing your diet, or exercising?”

Prevalence of High Blood Cholesterol

Healthy People 2020 Target = 13.5% or Lower

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Prevalence of High Blood Cholesterol

(Total Service Area, 2015)

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Sources:  
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- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.  

Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.  
- *The Illinois data reflects those adults who have been tested for high cholesterol and who have been diagnosed with it.  

Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
Taking Action to Control High Blood Cholesterol Levels
(Among Adults With High Cholesterol)

Sources:  
• PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 47]  
• 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:  
• Asked of all respondents who have been diagnosed with high blood cholesterol levels.  
• In this case, the term “action” refers to medication, change in diet, and/or exercise.

About Cardiovascular Risk

Individual level risk factors which put people at increased risk for cardiovascular diseases include:

- High Blood Pressure
- High Blood Cholesterol
- Tobacco Use
- Physical Inactivity
- Poor Nutrition
- Overweight/Obesity
- Diabetes

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Three health-related behaviors contribute markedly to cardiovascular disease:

**Poor nutrition.** People who are overweight have a higher risk for cardiovascular disease. Almost 60% of adults are overweight or obese. To maintain a proper body weight, experts recommend a well-balanced diet which is low in fat and high in fiber, accompanied by regular exercise.

**Lack of physical activity.** People who are not physically active have twice the risk for heart disease of those who are active. More than half of adults do not achieve recommended levels of physical activity.

**Tobacco use.** Smokers have twice the risk for heart attack of nonsmokers. Nearly one-fifth of all deaths from cardiovascular disease, or about 190,000 deaths a year nationally, are smoking-related. Every day, more than 3,000 young people become daily smokers in the US.

Modifying these behaviors is critical both for preventing and for controlling cardiovascular disease. Other steps that adults who have cardiovascular disease should take to reduce their risk of death and disability include adhering to treatment for high blood pressure and cholesterol, using aspirin as appropriate, and learning the symptoms of heart attack and stroke.

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
**Total Cardiovascular Risk**

The following chart reflects the percentage of adults in the Total Service area who report one or more of the following: being overweight; smoking cigarettes; being physically inactive; or having high blood pressure or cholesterol. See also *Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight* and *Tobacco Use* in the Modifiable Health Risk section of this report.

**Present One or More Cardiovascular Risks or Behaviors**

(Total Service Area, 2015)

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| **Key Informant Input: Heart Disease & Stroke**

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of *Heart Disease & Stroke* as a problem in the community:

**Perceptions of Heart Disease and Stroke as a Problem in the Community**

(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 127]
- 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

Notes:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 127]
- Asked of all respondents.
- Cardiovascular risk is defined as exhibiting one or more of the following: 1) no leisure-time physical activity; 2) regular/occasional cigarette smoking; 3) hypertension; 4) high blood cholesterol; and/or 5) being overweight/obese.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondents’ household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living under the poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.

Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.
Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Prevalence/Incidence

Growing rates of disease prevalence, as well as continued concerns regarding risk behaviors contributing to disease development (except for smoking) in population. – Public Health Expert

High incidence. – Social Service Representative

We’ve reached a point demographically where the baby boomers are creating the largest senior population in US history. The elderly population will more than double by the year 2050, with most of that growth occurring between 2010 and 2030. It only stands to reason that health problems, such as heart disease and stroke, will increase. – Community/Business Leader

Many of my siblings, relatives and neighbors have experienced heart disease and stroke. My father died as the result of this disease. – Social Service Representative

Heart disease and stroke both can cause disability. – Public Health Expert

Large numbers of patients in our service area have HTN, high cholesterol and/or lipids, and positive risk factors for coronary artery and peripheral vascular diseases resulting in acute coronary syndromes, heart failure (acute and chronic) and strokes. They are either insufficiently managed long-term or are noncompliant with treatment regimen as those with heart failure are at high risk for readmission within 30 days of hospital discharge. Many patients with stroke do not seek care early enough after symptom onset to be good candidates for TPA and there are inadequate resources for affordable physical, speech, and occupational therapy in locations of easy access to many patients. – Other Health Provider

Number two because of hospital admissions. – Public Health Expert

There has been an increase in the incidence of both heart disease and stroke. People need continued education and encouragement to live healthy lifestyles and to be alert for symptoms should they occur. – Community/Business Leader

More young people. – Social Service Representative

High rates of disease, especially among racial and ethnic minorities. – Public Health Expert

Leading Cause of Death

Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the United States and is largely ameliorable through prevention. Financial and cultural barriers to screening, behavior change, and medication adherence all contribute to high rates of avoidable morbidity, particularly among socioeconomic groups more likely to live in urban areas. – Public Health Expert

Heart disease and stroke is the leading cause of death in the US and in Lake County. Many of these issues are preventable with improved health habits. – Public Health Expert

It is the largest cause of death and the greatest contributor to early loss of life. Additionally, it is a highly preventable cause of death with proper prevention and management. The contributors to heart disease and stroke are similar to those that cause other chronic diseases. – Public Health Expert

There is a high rate of mortality due to heart disease and stroke. – Public Health Expert

Heart disease and stroke are the number one and four causes of death in Illinois and locally. More people will die from the two than any other causes of death. – Other Health Provider

Contributing Factors

As the ads say, this is a hidden killer. Excess weight is a major contributor. Increased activity outdoors can be a huge help. – Community/Business Leader
Impact of unhealthy lifestyles. – Public Health Expert

Stress affects likelihood of adopting health lifestyles. Sedentary personal habits and work environments. – Other Health Provider

It is one of a handful of prevalent health conditions that affect low-income communities. It can be expensive to treat if not managed early and well. – Community/Business Leader

High levels of hypertension and diabetes leading to increased risk of heart attack and stroke. – Public Health Expert

Lack of Education

There needs to be an increase in knowledge of risk factors. – Social Service Representative

People don’t come in as soon as they have symptoms and then don’t get maximum care. – Physician

Lack of Resources

Again, prevention programs that aid in lifestyle changes and education are limited and only touch the surface. Large events are great, but the one on one and smaller group support that help an individual actually improve their health before heart disease and stroke worsen are not available. – Other Health Provider

Disease Management

Noncompliance with medications. – Other Health Provider
Cancer

About Cancer

Continued advances in cancer research, detection, and treatment have resulted in a decline in both incidence and death rates for all cancers. Among people who develop cancer, more than half will be alive in five years. Yet, cancer remains a leading cause of death in the United States, second only to heart disease.

Many cancers are preventable by reducing risk factors such as: use of tobacco products; physical inactivity and poor nutrition; obesity; and ultraviolet light exposure. Other cancers can be prevented by getting vaccinated against human papillomavirus and hepatitis B virus. In the past decade, overweight and obesity have emerged as new risk factors for developing certain cancers, including colorectal, breast, uterine corpus (endometrial), and kidney cancers. The impact of the current weight trends on cancer incidence will not be fully known for several decades. Continued focus on preventing weight gain will lead to lower rates of cancer and many chronic diseases.

Screening is effective in identifying some types of cancers (see US Preventive Services Task Force [USPSTF] recommendations), including:

- Breast cancer (using mammography)
- Cervical cancer (using Pap tests)
- Colorectal cancer (using fecal occult blood testing, sigmoidoscopy, or colonoscopy)

Age-Adjusted Cancer Deaths

Among the leading causes of cancer deaths are lung cancer, breast cancer among women, prostate cancer among men, and colorectal cancer (both genders).

Age-Adjusted Cancer Death Rates by Site
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

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Sources:
- CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.
Cancer Incidence

Incidences rates (or case rates) reflect the number of newly diagnosed cases in a given population in a given year, regardless of outcome. They are usually expressed as cases per 100,000 population per year. Here, these rates are also age-adjusted.

Cancer Incidence Rates by Site

(Annual Average Age-Adjusted Incidence per 100,000 Population, 2007-2011)

Sources:

Notes:
- This indicator reports the age adjusted incidence rate (cases per 100,000 population per year) of cancers, adjusted to 2000 US standard population age groups (under age 1, 1-4, 5-9, ..., 80-84, 85 and older). This indicator is relevant because cancer is a leading cause of death and it is important to identify cancers separately to better target interventions.
Prevalence of Cancer

Skin Cancer

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with skin cancer?”

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with cancer, not counting skin cancer?”

Prevalence of Skin Cancer

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 31]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: 
- Asked of all respondents.

Prevalence of Cancer (Other Than Skin Cancer)

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 30]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: 
- Asked of all respondents.
**Cancer Risk**

**About Cancer Risk**

Reducing the nation’s cancer burden requires reducing the prevalence of behavioral and environmental factors that increase cancer risk.

- All cancers caused by cigarette smoking could be prevented. At least one-third of cancer deaths that occur in the United States are due to cigarette smoking.
- According to the American Cancer Society, about one-third of cancer deaths that occur in the United States each year are due to nutrition and physical activity factors, including obesity.
- National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**Cancer Screenings**

The American Cancer Society recommends that both men and women get a cancer-related checkup during a regular doctor’s checkup. It should include examination for cancers of the thyroid, testicles, ovaries, lymph nodes, oral cavity, and skin, as well as health counseling about tobacco, sun exposure, diet and nutrition, risk factors, sexual practices, and environmental and occupational exposures.

Screening levels in the community were measured in the PRC Community Health Survey relative to: prostate cancer (PSA and/or digital rectal examination); female breast cancer (mammography); cervical cancer (Pap smear testing); and colorectal cancer (sigmoidoscopy and fecal occult blood testing).

**Female Breast Cancer Screening**

**About Screening for Breast Cancer**

The US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommends screening mammography, with or without clinical breast examination (CBE), every 1-2 years for women age 40 and older.

Rationale: The USPSTF found fair evidence that mammography screening every 12-33 months significantly reduces mortality from breast cancer. Evidence is strongest for women age 50-69, the age group generally included in screening trials. For women age 40-49, the evidence that screening mammography reduces mortality from breast cancer is weaker, and the absolute benefit of mammography is smaller, than it is for older women. Most, but not all, studies indicate a mortality benefit for women undergoing mammography at ages 40-49, but the delay in observed benefit in women younger than 50 makes it difficult to determine the incremental benefit of beginning screening at age 40 rather than at age 50.

The absolute benefit is smaller because the incidence of breast cancer is lower among women in their 40s than it is among older women. The USPSTF concluded that the evidence is also generalizable to women age 70 and older (who face a higher absolute risk for breast cancer) if their life expectancy is not compromised by comorbid disease. The absolute probability of benefits of regular mammography increase along a continuum with age, whereas the likelihood of harms from screening (false-positive results and unnecessary anxiety, biopsies, and cost) diminish from ages 40-70. The balance of benefits and potential harms, therefore, grows more favorable as women age. The precise age at which the potential benefits of mammography justify the possible harms is a subjective choice. The USPSTF did not find sufficient evidence to specify the optimal screening interval for women age 40-49.


Note that other organizations (e.g., American Cancer Society, American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Physicians, National Cancer Institute) may have slightly different screening guidelines.
**Cervical Cancer Screenings**

**About Screening for Cervical Cancer**

The US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) strongly recommends screening for cervical cancer in women who have been sexually active and have a cervix.

Rationale: The USPSTF found good evidence from multiple observational studies that screening with cervical cytology (Pap smears) reduces incidence of and mortality from cervical cancer. Direct evidence to determine the optimal starting and stopping age and interval for screening is limited. Indirect evidence suggests most of the benefit can be obtained by beginning screening within 3 years of onset of sexual activity or age 21 (whichever comes first) and screening at least every 3 years. The USPSTF concludes that the benefits of screening substantially outweigh potential harms.

The USPSTF recommends against routinely screening women older than age 65 for cervical cancer if they have had adequate recent screening with normal Pap smears and are not otherwise at high risk for cervical cancer.

Rationale: The USPSTF found limited evidence to determine the benefits of continued screening in women older than 65. The yield of screening is low in previously screened women older than 65 due to the declining incidence of high-grade cervical lesions after middle age. There is fair evidence that screening women older than 65 is associated with an increased risk for potential harms, including false-positive results and invasive procedures. The USPSTF concludes that the potential harms of screening are likely to exceed benefits among older women who have had normal results previously and who are not otherwise at high risk for cervical cancer.

The USPSTF recommends against routine Pap smear screening in women who have had a total hysterectomy for benign disease.

Rationale: The USPSTF found fair evidence that the yield of cytologic screening is very low in women after hysterectomy and poor evidence that screening to detect vaginal cancer improves health outcomes. The USPSTF concludes that potential harms of continued screening after hysterectomy are likely to exceed benefits.


Note that other organizations (e.g., American Cancer Society, American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Physicians, National Cancer Institute) may have slightly different screening guidelines.

**Colorectal Cancer Screenings**

**About Screening for Colorectal Cancer**

The USPSTF recommends screening for colorectal cancer using fecal occult blood testing, sigmoidoscopy, or colonoscopy in adults, beginning at age 50 years and continuing until age 75 years.

The evidence is convincing that screening for colorectal cancer with fecal occult blood testing, sigmoidoscopy, or colonoscopy detects early-stage cancer and adenomatous polyps. There is convincing evidence that screening with any of the three recommended tests (FOBT, sigmoidoscopy, colonoscopy) reduces colorectal cancer mortality in adults age 50 to 75 years. Follow-up of positive screening test results requires colonoscopy regardless of the screening test used.


Note that other organizations (e.g., American Cancer Society, American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Physicians, National Cancer Institute) may have slightly different screening guidelines.
Prostate Screening: “A prostate-specific antigen test, also called a PSA test, is a blood test used to check men for prostate cancer. How long has it been since you had your last PSA test?” and “A digital rectal exam is when a doctor, nurse or other health professional places a gloved finger in the rectum to feel the size, hardness and shape of the prostate gland. How long has it been since your last digital rectal exam?” (Calculated below among men age 50 and older indicating either test within the past 2 years.)

Breast Cancer Screening: “A mammogram is an x-ray of each breast to look for cancer. How long has it been since you had your last mammogram?” (Calculated in the following chart among women age 50 to 74 indicating screening within the past 3 years.)

Cervical Cancer Screening: “A Pap test is a test for cancer of the cervix. How long has it been since you had your last Pap test?” (Calculated in the following chart among women age 21 to 65 indicating screening within the past 3 years.)

Colorectal Cancer Screening: “Sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy are exams in which a tube is inserted in the rectum to view the colon for signs of cancer or other health problems. How long has it been since your last sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy?” and “A blood stool test is a test that may use a special kit at home to determine whether the stool contains blood. How long has it been since you had your last blood stool test?” (Calculated in the following chart among both genders age 50 to 75 indicating fecal occult blood testing within the past year and/or sigmoidoscopy/colonoscopy [lower endoscopy] within the past 10 years.)
COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Have Had a Mammogram in the Past Two Years
(Among Women Age 50-74)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 81.1% or Higher

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Total Service Area

Notes:
Reflects female respondents 50-74.
*Note that state data reflects all women 50 and older (vs. women 50-74 in local, US and Healthy People data).

Have Had a Pap Smear in the Past Three Years
(Among Women Age 21-65)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 93.0% or Higher

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

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Notes:
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It is the second leading cause of death in the US and Lake County. There is a great deal that can still be done to prevent many of these deaths, improved diet, more physical activity, elimination of tobacco use, etc. – Public Health Expert

A lot of people are affected. – Social Service Representative

Cancer is the second leading cause of death in Illinois and its costs in terms of treatment/care and impact on families is significant. – Other Health Provider

More cases of young and middle-age adults. – Social Service Representative

I’m not saying we don’t have the resources to treat people with cancer, thankfully we do, but I do feel that the number of cases is on the rise, due to numerous environmental and personal health issues. – Community/Business Leader

We are a breast cancer hot spot and have high incidence of several other cancers. – Social Service Representative

Late Detection

Cancer is a major problem because our communities, most of which rely on Medicaid for care, are not screened or tested in a timely fashion and are being diagnosed in late stages. – Social Service Representative

Lack of early detection. Environmental issues in low income neighborhoods. – Other Health Provider
Respiratory Disease

About Asthma & COPD

Asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) are significant public health burdens. Specific methods of detection, intervention, and treatment exist that may reduce this burden and promote health.

Asthma is a chronic inflammatory disorder of the airways characterized by episodes of reversible breathing problems due to airway narrowing and obstruction. These episodes can range in severity from mild to life threatening. Symptoms of asthma include wheezing, coughing, chest tightness, and shortness of breath. Daily preventive treatment can prevent symptoms and attacks and enable individuals who have asthma to lead active lives.

COPD is a preventable and treatable disease characterized by airflow limitation that is not fully reversible. The airflow limitation is usually progressive and associated with an abnormal inflammatory response of the lung to noxious particles or gases (typically from exposure to cigarette smoke). Treatment can lessen symptoms and improve quality of life for those with COPD.

The burden of respiratory diseases affects individuals and their families, schools, workplaces, neighborhoods, cities, and states. Because of the cost to the healthcare system, the burden of respiratory diseases also falls on society; it is paid for with higher health insurance rates, lost productivity, and tax dollars. Annual healthcare expenditures for asthma alone are estimated at $20.7 billion.

Asthma. The prevalence of asthma has increased since 1980. However, deaths from asthma have decreased since the mid-1990s. The causes of asthma are an active area of research and involve both genetic and environmental factors.

Risk factors for asthma currently being investigated include:

- Having a parent with asthma
- Sensitization to irritants and allergens
- Respiratory infections in childhood
- Overweight

Asthma affects people of every race, sex, and age. However, significant disparities in asthma morbidity and mortality exist, in particular for low-income and minority populations. Populations with higher rates of asthma include: children; women (among adults) and boys (among children); African Americans; Puerto Ricans; people living in the Northeast United States; people living below the Federal poverty level; and employees with certain exposures in the workplace.

While there is not a cure for asthma yet, there are diagnoses and treatment guidelines that are aimed at ensuring that all people with asthma live full and active lives.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

[NOTE: COPD was changed to chronic lower respiratory disease (CLRD) with the introduction of ICD-10 codes. CLRD is used in vital statistics reporting, but COPD is still widely used and commonly found in surveillance reports.]

Age-Adjusted Respiratory Disease Deaths

Chronic lower respiratory diseases (CLRD) are diseases affecting the lungs; the most deadly of these is chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), which includes emphysema and chronic bronchitis.

Pneumonia and influenza mortality is also illustrated in the following chart. For prevalence of vaccinations against pneumonia and influenza, see also Immunization & Infectious Disease.
CLRD: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

Notes:
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
- CLRD is chronic lower respiratory disease.

Pneumonia/Influenza: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

Notes:
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Prevalence of Respiratory Diseases

**COPD**

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with COPD or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, including bronchitis or emphysema?”

**Prevalence of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)**

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**Sources:**
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 25]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
- Includes those having ever suffered from or been diagnosed with COPD or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, including bronchitis or emphysema.
- In prior data, the term “chronic lung disease” was used, which also included bronchitis or emphysema.

**Asthma**

**Adults:** “Have you ever been told by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional that you had asthma?” and “Do you still have asthma?” (Calculated in the following chart as a prevalence of all adults who have ever been diagnosed with asthma and who still have asthma [“current asthma”]).

Among asthmatic adults: “During the past 12 months, have you had an episode of asthma or an asthma attack?”

**Children:** “Has a doctor or other health professional ever told you that this child had asthma?” and “Does this child still have asthma?” (Calculated in the following chart as a prevalence of all children who have ever been diagnosed with asthma and who still have asthma [“current asthma”]).
Adult Asthma: Current Prevalence

Total Service Area

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Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 134]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.
- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey Data

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
- Includes those who have ever been diagnosed with asthma, and who report that they still have asthma.

Currently Have Asthma (Total Service Area, 2015)

Men
- Very Low Income: 5.2%
- Low Income: 11.8%
- Mid/High Income: 14.0%
- 65+: 6.8%
- White: 3.1%

Women
- Very Low Income: 13.0%
- Low Income: 13.2%
- Mid/High Income: 8.4%
- White: 7.7%

18 to 39
- Very Low Income: 20.6%
- Low Income: 12.6%
- Mid/High Income: 8.7%

40 to 64
- Very Low Income: 5.2%
- Low Income: 11.8%
- Mid/High Income: 14.0%
- 65+: 6.8%
- White: 3.1%

65+
- Very Low Income: 13.0%
- Low Income: 13.2%
- Mid/High Income: 8.4%
- White: 7.7%

White
- Very Low Income: 20.6%
- Low Income: 12.6%
- Mid/High Income: 8.7%

Non-Hispanic
- Very Low Income: 5.2%
- Low Income: 11.8%
- Mid/High Income: 14.0%
- 65+: 6.8%
- White: 3.1%

Hispanic
- Very Low Income: 13.0%
- Low Income: 13.2%
- Mid/High Income: 8.4%
- White: 7.7%

Overall
- Very Low Income: 20.6%
- Low Income: 12.6%
- Mid/High Income: 8.7%

Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 134]

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
Had an Episode of Asthma or an Asthma Attack in the Past Year
(Total Service Area Adults w/Asthma, 2015)

Yes 41.1%
No 58.9%
2012: 41.2%

Sources:  PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 303]
Notes:  Includes those who have ever been diagnosed with asthma, and who report that they still have asthma.

Childhood Asthma: Current Prevalence
(Among Parents of Children Age 0-17)

Sources:  PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 135]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.
Notes:  Asked of all respondents with children 0 to 17 in the household.
Includes children who have ever been diagnosed with asthma, and whom are reported to still have asthma.
Key Informant Input: Respiratory Disease

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Respiratory Disease as a problem in the community:

**Perceptions of Respiratory Diseases as a Problem in the Community**
*(Key Informants, 2015)*

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Sources:  • 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

**Top Concerns**

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

**Prevalence/Incidence**

*COPD, asthma, and emphysema are all prevalent in communities of greatest need and treatment and prevention opportunities are not as available.* – Social Service Representative

*COPD is the third leading cause of death in the US and 50 percent of adults with low pulmonary function are not aware that they have COPD.* – Other Health Provider

*Routine absences from work and school due to untreated or poorly-treated asthma.* – Community/Business Leader

*Large COPD population.* – Public Health Expert

*High genetic prevalence, poor follow-up of patients, overcrowded housing, lack of understanding of triggers and medication miss-use.* – Physician

*Our service area has a large number of patients with COPD and asthma. Failure to manage them effectively long-term results in exacerbations that require acute care management by EMS and emergency departments and repeat hospital admissions. This is a costly way to address the foundational issues of prevention and better ongoing care compliance.* – Other Health Provider

*Incidents of asthma and bronchitis seems to be growing among the youth I service.* – Social Service Representative

**Environment**

*Poor housing and pollution.* – Social Service Representative

*The Chicagoland area is notorious for air pollution. To this add the Midwest mold and pollen problem coupled with multiple families living in the one small apartment. Allergies, asthma and lack of education for prevention and intervention is great in the immigrant Latino population we care for. While private doctors will care for patients, there is a lack of care management and education on this topic among parents.* – Other Health Provider

*Environmental pollutants are a huge underlying cause of many conditions, from COPD to hyper-allergic conditions to autism, which is skyrocketing.* – Community/Business Leader
Smoking, pollution. – Other Health Provider

Co-occurrences

Those who are oxygen-dependent have challenges with travel and during power outages. – Public Health Expert

Treatment Cost

Over-cost of medications. – Other Health Provider
Injury & Violence

**About Injury & Violence**

Injuries and violence are widespread in society. Both unintentional injuries and those caused by acts of violence are among the top 15 killers for Americans of all ages. Many people accept them as “accidents,” “acts of fate,” or as “part of life.” However, most events resulting in injury, disability, or death are predictable and preventable.

Injuries are the leading cause of death for Americans ages 1 to 44, and a leading cause of disability for all ages, regardless of sex, race/ethnicity, or socioeconomic status. More than 180,000 people die from injuries each year, and approximately 1 in 10 sustains a nonfatal injury serious enough to be treated in a hospital emergency department.

Beyond their immediate health consequences, injuries and violence have a significant impact on the well-being of Americans by contributing to:

- Premature death
- Disability
- Poor mental health
- High medical costs
- Lost productivity

The effects of injuries and violence extend beyond the injured person or victim of violence to family members, friends, coworkers, employers, and communities.

Numerous factors can affect the risk of unintentional injury and violence, including individual behaviors, physical environment, access to health services (ranging from pre-hospital and acute care to rehabilitation), and social environment (from parental monitoring and supervision of youth to peer group associations, neighborhoods, and communities).

Interventions addressing these social and physical factors have the potential to prevent unintentional injuries and violence. Efforts to prevent unintentional injury may focus on:

- Modifications of the environment
- Improvements in product safety
- Legislation and enforcement
- Education and behavior change
- Technology and engineering

Efforts to prevent violence may focus on:

- Changing social norms about the acceptability of violence
- Improving problem-solving skills (for example, parenting, conflict resolution, coping)
- Changing policies to address the social and economic conditions that often give rise to violence

*Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)*
Leading Causes of Accidental Death

Leading causes of accidental death in the service area include the following:

![Pie chart showing leading causes of accidental death](image)

**Poisoning/Noxious Substances 40.0%**

**Falls 20.7%**

**Motor Vehicle Accidents 19.9%**

**Suffocation 6.3%**

**Other 13.1%**

**Sources:** CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

**Notes:** Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).

Unintentional Injury

**Age-Adjusted Unintentional Injury Deaths**

The following chart outlines age-adjusted mortality rates for unintentional injury in the service area, including age-adjusted mortality rates attributed specifically to motor vehicle crashes.

- **Note the Healthy People 2020 targets.**

![Bar chart showing age-adjusted mortality rates](image)

**Unintentional Injuries: Age-Adjusted Mortality**

(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 36.4 or Lower**

**Total Service Area:** 25.7

**IL:** 32.9

**US:** 39.2

**Sources:** CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

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Motor Vehicle Crashes: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 12.4 or Lower

SOURCES:

NOTES:
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.

Seat Belt/Car Seat Usage

Adults: “How often do you use seat belts when you drive or ride in a car? Would you say: always, nearly always, sometimes, seldom, or never?”

Children: “How often does this child wear a child restraint or seat belt when riding in a car? Would you say: always, nearly always, sometimes, seldom, or never?”

“Always” Wear a Seat Belt
When Driving or Riding in a Vehicle
Healthy People 2020 Target = 92.0% or Higher

SOURCES:
- PRC Community Health Surveys. Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 49]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey. Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

NOTES:
- Asked of all respondents.
“Always” Wear a Seat Belt When Driving or Riding in a Vehicle
(Total Service Area, 2015)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 92.0% or Higher

Child “Always” Wears a Seat Belt or Appropriate Restraint When Riding in a Vehicle
(Among Parents of Children Age 0-17)

Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 49]

Notes:
- Assembled from personal interviews conducted with the total of respondents.
- Child “Always” Wears a Seat Belt or Appropriate Restraint When Riding in a Vehicle: 92.2%

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**Child “Always” Wears a Seat Belt or Appropriate Restraint When Riding in a Vehicle**
(Among Parents of Children Age 0-17)

- **PSA**: 97.9%
- **SSA**: 98.1%
- **TSA**: 98.0%
- **MCHC Region**: 91.7%
- **US**: 92.2%

**Total Service Area**
- **2009**: 90.8%
- **2012**: 96.4%
- **2015**: 98.0%
Bicycle Safety

Children Age 5-17: “In the past year, how often has this child worn a bicycle helmet when riding a bicycle? Would you say: always, nearly always, sometimes, seldom, or never?”

Child “Always” Wears a Helmet When Riding a Bicycle
(Among Parents of Children Age 5-17)

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 121]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of all respondents with children age 5 to 17 at home.

Firearms

Age-Adjusted Firearm-Related Deaths

The following chart outlines the age-adjusted mortality rate in the Total Service Area attributed to firearms (including both accidental and intentional discharge), compared to state and national rates.

Firearms-Related Deaths: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 9.3 or Lower

Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

Notes: Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10), Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Presence of Firearms in Homes

“Are there any firearms now kept in or around your home, including those kept in a garage, outdoor storage area, truck, or car? For the purposes of this inquiry, ‘firearms’ include pistols, shotguns, rifles, and other types of guns, but do NOT include starter pistols, BB guns, or guns that cannot fire.”

“An unlocked firearm is one that does NOT need a key or combination to get to the gun or fire it. The safety is NOT counted as a lock. Are any of these firearms unlocked?” (Calculated below as the percentage of respondents who have firearms at home and who keep at least one firearm unlocked and loaded.)

Key Informant Input: Unintentional Injury

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Unintentional Injury as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Unintentional Injury as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

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Top Concerns
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Prevalence/Incidence

*Unintentional injuries remain the cause of a high proportion of morbidity and mortality in Chicago.*
– Public Health Expert

*This exists in every community, seat belt use, distracted driving (texting/emailing), biking without helmets, motorcycles without helmets, unsafe housing conditions.* – Social Service Representative

*A leading cause of premature death in Lake County. Especially from accidental poisonings, which are considered unintentional injury.* – Public Health Expert

*I lumped this in with community violence, there are unintended victims in many acts of violence.*
Social Service Representative

Firearms

*There are cases of people accidently shooting themselves because they have unauthorized firearms.* – Community/Business Leader

*Too many guns.* – Physician

Job Safety

*Workers, especially the undocumented, are at risk for injuries in jobs that others do not want. When they’re injured, they have few if any medical resources to help them through to full recovery.*
– Community/Business Leader

Criminal Justice System

*There’s no systematic approach to holding perpetrators accountable and ensuring the safety of victims.* – Social Service Representative

Falls

*Falls at home.* – Public Health Expert

Stress

*Stress.* – Public Health Expert
Intentional Injury (Violence)

Violent Crime

Violent crime is composed of four offenses (FBI Index offenses): murder and non-negligent manslaughter; forcible rape; robbery; and aggravated assault. Note that the quality of crime data can vary widely from location to location, depending on the consistency and completeness of reporting among various jurisdictions.

Violent Crime
(Rate per 100,000 Population, 2011-2013)

Illinois State Police.

Notes:
- This indicator reports the rate of violent crime offenses reported by the sheriff's office or county police department per 100,000 residents. Violent crime includes homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. This indicator is relevant because it assesses community safety.
- Participation by law enforcement agencies in the UCR program is voluntary. Sub-state data do not necessarily represent an exhaustive list of crimes due to gaps in reporting.
- Also, some institutions of higher education have their own police departments, which handle offenses occurring within campus grounds; these offenses are not included in the violent crime statistics, but can be obtained from the Uniform Crime Reports Universities and Colleges data tables.

Violent Crime Experience: “Have you been the victim of a violent crime in your area in the past 5 years?”

Intimate Partner Violence: “The next questions are about different types of violence in relationships with an intimate partner. By an intimate partner, I mean any current or former spouse, boyfriend, or girlfriend. Someone you were dating, or romantically or sexually intimate with, would also be considered an intimate partner. Has an intimate partner ever hit, slapped, pushed, kicked, or hurt you in any way?”
Victim of a Violent Crime in the Past Five Years

Sources:  
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 50]  
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.

Have Ever Been Hit, Slapped, Pushed, Kicked, or Hurt in Any Way by an Intimate Partner

Sources:  
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 51]  
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.
Neighborhood Safety

“Now I would like to ask, how safe from crime do you consider your neighborhood to be?”

Perceive Neighborhood to be “Not At All Safe” from Crime
(Total Service Area, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 304]
Notes: Asked of all respondents.
Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.

School Safety

[Among parents of school-age children:] “During the past year, how many days did this child not go to school because (he/she) felt unsafe at school or on the way to or from school?”

Child Missed School
at Least Once Last Month Due to Feeling Unsafe
(Total Service Area School-Aged Children)

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<td>Age 5-12</td>
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<td>Age 13-17</td>
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Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 313]
Notes: Asked of those parents with school-age children.
Key Informant Input: Community Violence

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Community Violence as a problem in the community:

### Perceptions of Community Violence as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

#### Top Concerns
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

**Prevalence/Incidence**
- *There are so many shootings that happen in this community. People fight on the street and even shoot in the daylight.* – Community/Business Leader
- *Too many guns.* – Physician
- *High rates per capita compared to national peers.* – Public Health Expert
- *Austin consistently ranks among the highest rates of violence of city neighborhoods. The media is full of reports of violence and city data confirms this fact.* – Social Service Representative
- *If you live in Chicago and if you don’t, you know this is an issue that disproportionately affects communities of color.* – Social Service Representative

**Contributing Factors**
- *Poverty, lack of access to resources and education, police violence, budget cuts to social services.* – Public Health Expert
- *Disinvestment in communities of color has led to lack of opportunity, high unemployment and low educational achievement and the institutionalization of poverty.* – Other Health Provider
- *Lack of high school diploma. Need to educate offenders about expungement. Need more jobs for youth.* – Community/Business Leader
- *Lack of resources and lack of exposure to positive non-violent behaviors since early childhood.* – Other Health Provider

**Gang Violence**
- *Our area is plagued by gang violence. Our local high schools indicate a need for gang prevention programs. Rolling Meadows High School is plagued by gangs and violence along with Palatine High School and the local apartments in their respective areas. Our local newspapers describe gang violence weekly.* – Other Health Provider (Northwest Cook County)
- *Guns, gangs, dead children.* – Community/Business Leader
Gang activity and violence in downtown bars. – Social Service Representative (Northwest Cook County)

Effects of Trauma

Safety is a fundamental need in order to be successful. The trauma, first hand or vicarious, from community violence impacts kids and families and keeps people in survival mode rather than have the ability to grow in a healthy way. It’s a fundamental issue if we want to help people be healthy and be lifted out of poverty. – Social Service Representative

Impact on Health

Community violence has direct and indirect impact on the health of the community. – Public Health Expert

Key Informant Input: Family Violence

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Family Violence as a problem in the community:

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<td>31.4%</td>
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<td>29.4%</td>
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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Culture

Working among the Latino, predominantly Mexican population, violence is seen almost as normal in marriage. Children and women are subjected to daily abuse, either verbal, physical or other. There is a large need for family violence services among children. – Other Health Provider

There is still considerable acceptance of the idea that what happens in a family, stays in a family. Additionally, violence against women and children can be met with variable responses and protections depending on the community. The trauma of experiencing, witnessing and/or experiencing violence can have short and long term detrimental effects on children and adults. The rate of violence, physical, emotional and sexual, in many communities remains high, with only some of the worst cases receiving attention. Prevention efforts are not sufficient, nor is the knowledge and skill level of law enforcement agencies. There are too few places of safety that individuals and families can go to for shelter and assistance. – Public Health Expert

Children of abusive parents grow up to believe it is acceptable, and the cycle continues. – Community/Business Leader

Generational violence passed down because of poverty, lack of access to parenting resources,
cultural norms about gender roles, lack of access to economic and educational resources for women. – Public Health Expert

Many children suffer. – Social Service Representative (Northwest Cook County)

The violence in our community permeates all the other problems. When people aren’t safe they can’t be healthy. Trauma from violence impacts our kids and families and exacerbates other problems, making it hard to succeed. – Social Service Representative

Lack of self-esteem and learned aggressive behaviors. – Other Health Provider (Downtown/ West Cook County)

Poverty

The family structure is broken. There are many single family homes and women are angry that have been left to raise children alone and in turn they mistreat children and if the father is still in the picture, he may be abusive. – Community/Business Leader

With poverty and mental illness and stress, family violence is sure to follow. These issues affect many Chicagoans. – Social Service Representative

Too many guns, lack of appropriate employment opportunities. – Physician

Criminal Justice System

It often goes unreported until the injury is severe or a death occurs. Police need additional education and the tools to deal with an abusive situation. The court system needs to react appropriately. There needs to be more emergency shelters and follow-up services to provide counseling, career planning, financial education, job training, etc. to insure the abused spouse has the tools to never return to the abusive partner. Domestic violence is never acceptable. – Community/Business Leader

Youth

Violence is prevalent in the community, particularly among teens and young adults. I have witnessed countless acts of violence among family members and neighbors. – Social Service Representative

Domestic Violence

Domestic violence still occurring and shelters to house someone immediately are always full. – Social Service Representative
Diabetes

**About Diabetes**

Diabetes mellitus occurs when the body cannot produce or respond appropriately to insulin. Insulin is a hormone that the body needs to absorb and use glucose (sugar) as fuel for the body’s cells. Without a properly functioning insulin signaling system, blood glucose levels become elevated and other metabolic abnormalities occur, leading to the development of serious, disabling complications. Many forms of diabetes exist; the three common types are Type 1, Type 2, and gestational diabetes. Effective therapy can prevent or delay diabetic complications.

Diabetes mellitus:
- Lowers life expectancy by up to 15 years.
- Increases the risk of heart disease by 2 to 4 times.
- Is the leading cause of kidney failure, lower limb amputations, and adult-onset blindness.

The rate of diabetes mellitus continues to increase both in the United States and throughout the world. Due to the steady rise in the number of persons with diabetes mellitus, and possibly earlier onset of type 2 diabetes mellitus, there is growing concern about the possibility that the increase in the number of persons with diabetes mellitus and the complexity of their care might overwhelm existing healthcare systems.

People from minority populations are more frequently affected by type 2 diabetes. Minority groups constitute 25% of all adult patients with diabetes in the US and represent the majority of children and adolescents with type 2 diabetes.

Lifestyle change has been proven effective in preventing or delaying the onset of type 2 diabetes in high-risk individuals.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

**Age-Adjusted Diabetes Deaths**

Age-adjusted diabetes mortality for the area is shown in the following chart.

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target (as adjusted to account for diabetes mellitus-coded deaths).

**Diabetes: Age-Adjusted Mortality**

*(2011–2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)*

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 20.5 or Lower (Adjusted)**

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Sources:
- CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
- The Healthy People 2020 target for Diabetes is adjusted to account for only diabetes mellitus coded deaths.
Prevalence of Diabetes

“Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have diabetes? (If female, add: Not counting diabetes only occurring during pregnancy?)”

“(If female, add: Other than during pregnancy,) Have you ever been told by a doctor or other health professional that you have pre-diabetes or borderline diabetes?”

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**Prevalence of Diabetes**

(Total Service Area, 2015)

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Sources: 
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 136]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: 
- Asked of all respondents.
- Local and national data exclude gestation diabetes (occurring only during pregnancy).

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Another 4.4% of adults report that they have been diagnosed with “pre-diabetes” or “borderline” diabetes (vs. 5.1% nationwide)
Diabetes Testing

“Have you had a test for high blood sugar or diabetes within the past three years?”

Have Had Blood Sugar Tested in the Past Three Years
(Among Non-Diabetics)

Key Informant Input: Diabetes
The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Diabetes as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Diabetes as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

Challenges
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” the biggest challenges for people with diabetes are seen as:

Lack of Education

The convenience of healthy foods and the lack of knowledge of what and how to eat proper meals.
– Community/Business Leader
Adjusting lifestyle prior to the development of the disease, understanding the risk factors and the preventative steps that can positively and significantly influence the development of the disease. Once diagnosed, understanding the chronic nature of both the disease and the treatment of the disease. – Public Health Expert

They need education on preventive care. They need education on eating healthy and regular assessable physical activity. – Community/Business Leader

Counseling about diet and exercise. – Community/Business Leader

Understanding that activity outdoors can be a huge help to combating diabetes. – Community/Business Leader

Education. – Public Health Expert

Lack of education, lack of access to primary care providers. – Community/Business Leader

Disease management skills, limited access to specialists, access to fruits and vegetables. – Community/Business Leader

I see a lot of people unaware of nutritional information. – Social Service Representative

The biggest challenge for people with diabetes in our community is education and lifestyle changes. Due to our ethnically diverse population, addressing this issue in a multi-platform manner is essential, i.e. need for case management in multiple languages. – Other Health Provider

Nutrition education and access to medications. – Other Health Provider

Nutrition information. Access to healthy foods in food deserts. – Social Service Representative

Lifestyle Factors

The biggest challenge for people with diabetes is access to proper diet (food and nutrition) and the availability of safe places to exercise. Without effective diet and exercise management tools, people with diabetes in the community are left with few options. As a result, the disease progresses and the individual must cope with expensive and more invasive interventions (oral medications, injectable medications, specialty care, surgery, and amputations). – Social Service Representative

Compliance, affording medications, nutrition, vision care. – Social Service Representative

Increasing rates of disease due to lifestyle. – Public Health Expert

Morbid obesity, lack of movement and this contributes to chronic diseases beyond diabetes. – Community/Business Leader

Poor healthcare decisions. – Social Service Representative

As the rate of obesity continues to rise, so do the numbers of patients with type 2 diabetes. These patients tend to have high non-compliance with their treatment plans and thus experience high numbers of complications relative to heart and kidney disease, strokes, vision complications, dental and wound complications, neuropathies, mobility challenges, etc. – Other Health Provider

Stress is a barrier to adopting healthy lifestyles and also is a physiological contributor. Lack of access to fresh foods and support for changing eating habits. Lack of access to safe physical activities. – Other Health Provider

Prevalence/Incidence

It is a commonly known problem among black and Latino populations. – Social Service Representative

Very prevalent in our community, costing our community a lot of money. Struggling with getting those populations to become compliant, this health concern leads to a lot of other chronic
diseases that are hard to manage. – Social Service Representative

**Access to Care**

- Accessing management services for those diagnosed and preventing diabetes in the first place. There are insurance and transportation barriers as well as knowledge gaps in proper disease maintenance. There are also financial barriers to having testing supplies. – Public Health Expert
- Accessing high quality care, including monitoring, medications, and education needed to effectively manage. – Public Health Expert
- Access to ongoing preventative care and support, choices are limited and within those choices the support to manage and maintain this disease is inconsistent and limited. – Other Health Provider

**Disease Management**

- Clients often have the information needed to manage their diabetes but simply do not have the means. Policy, systems, and environmental changes are necessary to encourage and allow clients to make lifestyle changes. Just knowing what to do is not the same as knowing how. – Social Service Representative
- Controlling their disease with medication and proper food choices. – Community/Business Leader
- Patients not understanding how to effectively manage diabetes. – Public Health Expert
- Affordability of medication for type 2 diabetics and dealing with issues that long-time diabetics face, from problems with their feet to problems controlling their weight to blindness. – Community/Business Leader

**Access to Food**

- There are not many healthy food options. There are two grocery stores but the produce is sometimes questionable. – Community/Business Leader
- Affordable healthy food, safe places to be physically active, limited access to primary care providers and education related to diabetes management. – Public Health Expert
- Access to affordable health foods. – Physician

**Lack of Resources**

- There are many disparities in our county which increase diabetes risk for individuals that are black, Latino, or individuals with severe mental illness. These groups are at higher risk for diabetes and resources are limited. In addition, access to affordable fresh fruits and vegetables can be a challenge in some of our communities. – Public Health Expert

**Leading Cause of Death**

- Diabetes is the ninth leading cause of death in Illinois and ranks even higher (four or five) in large urban metropolitan areas like Cook County. Diabetes rates have been on the rise due to higher levels of obesity in children. – Other Health Provider
Alzheimer’s Disease

About Dementia

Dementia is the loss of cognitive functioning—thinking, remembering, and reasoning—to such an extent that it interferes with a person’s daily life. Dementia is not a disease itself, but rather a set of symptoms. Memory loss is a common symptom of dementia, although memory loss by itself does not mean a person has dementia. Alzheimer’s disease is the most common cause of dementia, accounting for the majority of all diagnosed cases.

Alzheimer’s disease is the 6th leading cause of death among adults age 18 years and older. Estimates vary, but experts suggest that up to 5.1 million Americans age 65 years and older have Alzheimer’s disease. These numbers are predicted to more than double by 2050 unless more effective ways to treat and prevent Alzheimer’s disease are found.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Age-Adjusted Alzheimer’s Disease Deaths

Age-adjusted Alzheimer’s disease mortality rates for the service area, state and nation are outlined below.

Alzheimer’s Disease: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

Sources: CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

Notes:
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Key Informant Input: Dementias, Including Alzheimer’s Disease

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Dementias, Including Alzheimer’s Disease as a problem in the community:

**Perceptions of Dementia/Alzheimer’s Disease as a Problem in the Community**

*(Key Informants, 2015)*

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*Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.*

**Top Concerns**

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

**Aging Population**

*As the population ages, the number of patients diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease will continue to rise with insufficient resources to house and care for them all safely and with dignity in a cost-effective manner.* – Other Health Provider

*Community members are living longer and the chances of onset increase with age. The issues of care present a real challenge to family members, especially if funds are limited and outside assistance is too costly. The next twenty years will show a marked increase in patients needing care.* – Community/Business Leader

*Increasing aging population has increased the prevalence of age-related diseases such as dementia and Alzheimer’s disease, many of who are complex cases due to multiple specialty comorbidity.* – Other Health Provider

*Aging of the baby boomers will present major issues when they become demented.* – Social Service Representative

*We’ve reached a point demographically where the baby boomers are creating the largest senior population in US history. The elderly population will more than double by the year 2050, with most of that growth occurring between 2010 and 2030. It only stands to reason that health problems, such as Alzheimer’s and dementia, will increase.* – Community/Business Leader

*Elderly patient population, recurring problem for patients presenting to ED for many problems that are often tied to dementia.* – Physician

**Prevalence/Incidence**

*There are increasing numbers of African Americans affected by this disease. Limited access to quality medical services hinders prevention and early detection.* – Social Service Representative

*Affecting many people at earlier ages.* – Social Service Representative

*The numbers of people in our community with this illness keep increasing, it affects the whole family and the access to care that is affordable is limited.* – Social Service Representative
With the aging of the baby boom generation we have a growing at-risk population for dementia/Alzheimer's disease. There is little understanding and more importantly recognition of the signs and symptoms. – Other Health Provider

Activity Limitations

Many homebound clients served are afflicted with dementia or some memory loss. – Public Health Expert

Lack of Resources

Lack of services for the patient and caregivers. – Other Health Provider
Kidney Disease

About Chronic Kidney Disease

Chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease are significant public health problems in the United States and a major source of suffering and poor quality of life for those afflicted. They are responsible for premature death and exact a high economic price from both the private and public sectors. Nearly 25% of the Medicare budget is used to treat people with chronic kidney disease and end-stage renal disease.

Genetic determinants have a large influence on the development and progression of chronic kidney disease. It is not possible to alter a person’s biology and genetic determinants; however, environmental influences and individual behaviors also have a significant influence on the development and progression of chronic kidney disease. As a result, some populations are disproportionately affected. Successful behavior modification is expected to have a positive influence on the disease.

Diabetes is the most common cause of kidney failure. The results of the Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) funded by the national Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) show that moderate exercise, a healthier diet, and weight reduction can prevent development of type 2 diabetes in persons at risk.

Age-Adjusted Kidney Disease Deaths

Age-adjusted kidney disease mortality for the service area, state and nation is described in the following chart.

Kidney Disease: Age-Adjusted Mortality
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

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Notes: Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10). Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Prevalence of Kidney Disease

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with kidney disease?”

Prevalence of Kidney Disease


Notes: Asked of all respondents.

Key Informant Input: Chronic Kidney Disease

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Chronic Kidney Disease as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Chronic Kidney Disease as a Problem in the Community (Key Informants, 2015)

Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.
Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Co-occurrences

*The primary causes of kidney disease are uncontrolled diabetes and hypertension. Given the increase in obesity levels we’ve seen a concomitant increase in chronic kidney disease.* – Other Health Provider

Cost of Care

*It costs our community a lot of money and managing these patients. There are a lot of patients struggling.* – Social Service Representative

Transportation

*Transportation.* – Public Health Expert
Sickle-Cell Anemia

Prevalence of Sickle-Cell Anemia

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with sickle-cell anemia?”

Prevalence of Sickle-Cell Anemia
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 302]

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
Potentially Disabling Conditions

About Arthritis, Osteoporosis & Chronic Back Conditions

There are more than 100 types of arthritis. Arthritis commonly occurs with other chronic conditions, such as diabetes, heart disease, and obesity. Interventions to treat the pain and reduce the functional limitations from arthritis are important, and may also enable people with these other chronic conditions to be more physically active. Arthritis affects 1 in 5 adults and continues to be the most common cause of disability. It costs more than $128 billion per year. All of the human and economic costs are projected to increase over time as the population ages. There are interventions that can reduce arthritis pain and functional limitations, but they remain underused. These include: increased physical activity; self-management education; and weight loss among overweight/obese adults.

Osteoporosis is a disease marked by reduced bone strength leading to an increased risk of fractures (broken bones). In the United States, an estimated 5.3 million people age 50 years and older have osteoporosis. Most of these people are women, but about 0.8 million are men. Just over 34 million more people, including 12 million men, have low bone mass, which puts them at increased risk for developing osteoporosis. Half of all women and as many as 1 in 4 men age 50 years and older will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in their lifetime.

Chronic back pain is common, costly, and potentially disabling. About 80% of Americans experience low back pain in their lifetime. It is estimated that each year:

- 15%-20% of the population develop protracted back pain.
- 2-8% have chronic back pain (pain that lasts more than 3 months).
- 3-4% of the population is temporarily disabled due to back pain.
- 1% of the working-age population is disabled completely and permanently as a result of low back pain.

Americans spend at least $50 billion each year on low back pain. Low back pain is the:

- 2nd leading cause of lost work time (after the common cold).
- 3rd most common reason to undergo a surgical procedure.
- 5th most frequent cause of hospitalization.

Arthritis, osteoporosis, and chronic back conditions all have major effects on quality of life, the ability to work, and basic activities of daily living.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Arthritis, Osteoporosis, & Chronic Back Conditions

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with arthritis or rheumatism?” (Reported in the following chart among only those age 50+.)

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with osteoporosis?”
(Reported in the following chart among only those age 50+.)

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with sciatica or chronic back pain?” (Reported in the following chart among all adults age 18+.)

See also Activity Limitations in the General Health Status section of this report.
Prevalence of Arthritis/Rheumatism
(Among Adults Age 50 and Older)

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Item 139)
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Reflects respondents age 50 and older.

Prevalence of Osteoporosis
(Among Adults Age 50 and Older)

Healthy People 2020 Target = 5.3% or Lower

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Item 140)
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Reflects respondents age 50 and older.
Prevalence of Sciatica/Chronic Back Pain

Key Informant Input: Arthritis, Osteoporosis & Chronic Back Conditions
The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Arthritis, Osteoporosis & Chronic Back Conditions as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Arthritis/Osteoporosis/Back Conditions as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

Major Problem  Moderate Problem  Minor Problem  No Problem At All
12.5% 43.8% 31.3% 12.5%

Top Concerns
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Lack of Specialists
The reason why this is a major problem in our community is because of the lack of specialists in this area in the northwest suburbs of Illinois. In addition, we see many patients with back conditions that have spiraled out of control due to mismanagement, lack of care and education. As a result, these people become home bound. – Other Health Provider
Musculoskeletal Issues

Back pain/joint pain/soft tissue pain seems common, as it is nationwide. Perhaps increased by physically demanding jobs, lack of access to healthcare resources to manage. – Public Health Expert

Homebound

As a community health nurse, I provide many home visits to the homebound residents of our community. Most are homebound due to arthritis pain and disability. – Public Health Expert

Aging Population

The aging population in our community. – Community/Business Leader

Vision & Hearing Impairment

Vision Trouble

About Vision

Vision is an essential part of everyday life, influencing how Americans of all ages learn, communicate, work, play, and interact with the world. Yet millions of Americans live with visual impairment, and many more remain at risk for eye disease and preventable eye injury.

The eyes are an important, but often overlooked, part of overall health. Despite the preventable nature of some vision impairments, many people do not receive recommended screenings and exams. A visit to an eye care professional for a comprehensive dilated eye exam can help to detect common vision problems and eye diseases, including diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, cataract, and age-related macular degeneration.

These common vision problems often have no early warning signs. If a problem is detected, an eye care professional can prescribe corrective eyewear, medicine, or surgery to minimize vision loss and help a person see his or her best.

Healthy vision can help to ensure a healthy and active lifestyle well into a person’s later years. Educating and engaging families, communities, and the nation is critical to ensuring that people have the information, resources, and tools needed for good eye health.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)
About Hearing & Other Sensory or Communication Disorders

An impaired ability to communicate with others or maintain good balance can lead many people to feel socially isolated, have unmet health needs, have limited success in school or on the job. Communication and other sensory processes contribute to our overall health and well-being. Protecting these processes is critical, particularly for people whose age, race, ethnicity, gender, occupation, genetic background, or health status places them at increased risk.

Many factors influence the numbers of Americans who are diagnosed and treated for hearing and other sensory or communication disorders, such as social determinants (social and economic standings, age of diagnosis, cost and stigma of wearing a hearing aid, and unhealthy lifestyle choices). In addition, biological causes of hearing loss and other sensory or communication disorders include: genetics; viral or bacterial infections; sensitivity to certain drugs or medications; injury; and aging.

As the nation’s population ages and survival rates for medically fragile infants and for people with severe injuries and acquired diseases improve, the prevalence of sensory and communication disorders is expected to rise.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with blindness or trouble seeing, even when wearing glasses?”

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with deafness or trouble hearing?”

- Note the higher prevalence among older adults (age 65+).

Prevalence of Blindness/Trouble Seeing

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 26]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
Prevalence of Deafness/Trouble Hearing

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Among 65+: 26.7%

Key Informant Input: Vision & Hearing

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Vision & Hearing as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Hearing and Vision as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

- Major Problem
- Moderate Problem
- Minor Problem
- No Problem At All

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Lack of Coverage

There is virtually no coverage for hearing aids and little for glasses. The costs are too high for low-income residents to absorb. – Social Service Representative
Infectious Disease

**About Immunization & Infectious Diseases**

The increase in life expectancy during the 20th century is largely due to improvements in child survival; this increase is associated with reductions in infectious disease mortality, due largely to immunization. However, infectious diseases remain a major cause of illness, disability, and death. Immunization recommendations in the United States currently target 17 vaccine-preventable diseases across the lifespan.

People in the US continue to get diseases that are vaccine-preventable. Viral hepatitis, influenza, and tuberculosis (TB) remain among the leading causes of illness and death across the nation and account for substantial spending on the related consequences of infection.

The infectious disease public health infrastructure, which carries out disease surveillance at the national, state, and local levels, is an essential tool in the fight against newly emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases. Other important defenses against infectious diseases include:

- Proper use of vaccines
- Antibiotics
- Screening and testing guidelines
- Scientific improvements in the diagnosis of infectious disease-related health concerns

Vaccines are among the most cost-effective clinical preventive services and are a core component of any preventive services package. Childhood immunization programs provide a very high return on investment. For example, for each birth cohort vaccinated with the routine immunization schedule, society:

- Saves 33,000 lives.
- Prevents 14 million cases of disease.
- Reduces direct healthcare costs by $9.9 billion.
- Saves $33.4 billion in indirect costs.

Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Influenza & Pneumonia Vaccination

**About Influenza & Pneumonia**

Acute respiratory infections, including pneumonia and influenza, are the 8th leading cause of death in the nation, accounting for 56,000 deaths annually. Pneumonia mortality in children fell by 97% in the last century, but respiratory infectious diseases continue to be leading causes of pediatric hospitalization and outpatient visits in the US. On average, influenza leads to more than 200,000 hospitalizations and 36,000 deaths each year. The 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic caused an estimated 270,000 hospitalizations and 12,270 deaths (1,270 of which were of people younger than age 18) between April 2009 and March 2010.

Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

**Flu Vaccinations**

“*There are two ways to get the seasonal flu vaccine, one is a shot in the arm and the other is a spray, mist, or drop in the nose called FluMist®. During the past 12 months, have you had either a seasonal flu shot or a seasonal flu vaccine that was sprayed in your nose?*”

“A pneumonia shot or pneumococcal vaccine is usually given only once or twice in a person’s lifetime and is different from the seasonal flu shot. Have you ever had a pneumonia shot?”

The following chart columns show these findings among those age 65+. Percentages for “high-risk” adults age 18-64 in the Total Service Area are also shown; here, “high-risk” includes adults who report having been diagnosed with heart disease, diabetes or respiratory disease.)
• Note also the Healthy People 2020 targets.

**Older Adults: Have Had a Flu Vaccination in the Past Year**
(Among Adults Age 65+)

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 70.0% or Higher*

[Graph showing vaccination rates over years for different regions and the total service area.]

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.  [Item 141]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Reflects respondents 65 and older.
- Includes FluMist as a form of vaccination.

**Older Adults: Have Ever Had a Pneumonia Vaccine**
(Among Adults Age 65+)

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 90.0% or Higher*

[Graph showing vaccination rates over years for different regions and the total service area.]

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.  [Item 143]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Reflects respondents 65 and older.
HIV

About HIV

The HIV epidemic in the United States continues to be a major public health crisis. An estimated 1.1 million Americans are living with HIV, and 1 in 5 people with HIV do not know they have it. HIV continues to spread, leading to about 56,000 new HIV infections each year.

HIV is a preventable disease, and effective HIV prevention interventions have been proven to reduce HIV transmission. People who get tested for HIV and learn that they are infected can make significant behavior changes to improve their health and reduce the risk of transmitting HIV to their sex or drug-using partners. More than 50% of new HIV infections occur as a result of the 21% of people who have HIV but do not know it.

In the era of increasingly effective treatments for HIV, people with HIV are living longer, healthier, and more productive lives. Deaths from HIV infection have greatly declined in the United States since the 1990s. As the number of people living with HIV grows, it will be more important than ever to increase national HIV prevention and healthcare programs.

There are gender, race, and ethnicity disparities in new HIV infections:

- Nearly 75% of new HIV infections occur in men.
- More than half occur in gay and bisexual men, regardless of race or ethnicity.
- 45% of new HIV infections occur in African Americans, 35% in whites, and 17% in Hispanics.

Improving access to quality healthcare for populations disproportionately affected by HIV, such as persons of color and gay and bisexual men, is a fundamental public health strategy for HIV prevention. People getting care for HIV can receive:

- Antiretroviral therapy
- Screening and treatment for other diseases (such as sexually transmitted infections)
- HIV prevention interventions
- Mental health services
- Other health services

As the number of people living with HIV increases and more people become aware of their HIV status, prevention strategies that are targeted specifically for HIV-infected people are becoming more important. Prevention work with people living with HIV focuses on:

- Linking to and staying in treatment.
- Increasing the availability of ongoing HIV prevention interventions.
- Providing prevention services for their partners.

Public perception in the US about the seriousness of the HIV epidemic has declined in recent years. There is evidence that risky behaviors may be increasing among uninfected people, especially gay and bisexual men. Ongoing media and social campaigns for the general public and HIV prevention interventions for uninfected persons who engage in risky behaviors are critical.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)
HIV/AIDS Deaths
The following chart outlines age-adjusted mortality rates for the service area in comparison with state and national rates.

**HIV/AIDS: Age-Adjusted Mortality**
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)
*Healthy People 2020 Target = 3.3 or Lower*

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**Sources:**
- CDC WONDER Online Query System, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

**Notes:**
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.

HIV Prevalence
The following chart outlines prevalence (current cases, regardless of when they were diagnosed) of HIV per 100,000 population in the service area, Illinois and the US.

**HIV Prevalence Rate by Race/Ethnicity**
(Prevalence Rate of HIV per 100,000 Population, 2010)

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<td>Non-Hispanic White</td>
<td>236.8</td>
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<td>1,141.8</td>
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<td>Hispanic/Latino</td>
<td>393.1</td>
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<td>All Races/Ethnicities</td>
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**Sources:**

**Notes:**
- This indicator is relevant because HIV is a life-threatening communicable disease that disproportionately affects minority populations and may also indicate the prevalence of unsafe sex practices.
HIV Testing
“Not counting tests you may have had when donating or giving blood, when was the last time you were tested for HIV?” (Reported below only among adults age 18 to 44.)

Tested for HIV in the Past Year
(Among Adults Age 18-44)

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<th>Women</th>
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<th>Very Low Income</th>
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<td>Tested for HIV</td>
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Key Informant Input: HIV/AIDS
The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of HIV/AIDS as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of HIV/AIDS as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.
Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Contributing Factors

- Early life experiences and resources may lead to poor choices than for people with adequate resources and positive life experiences. – Other Health Provider

- HIV/AIDS is a major problem in the community because of the co-occurrence of substance addiction disorders and the high rate of injectable drug users. There are also confounding issues around poor safe sex practices and forced prostitution. – Social Service Representative

African American Population

- African Americans have the highest population with the HIV and highest rate of new infections. – Social Service Representative

- High rates of disease among black MSM. – Public Health Expert

Population Living with HIV/AIDS

- While fewer people are dying from AIDS, the number of persons living with HIV/AIDS is still high. These individuals face the same burden of chronic disease and conditions as the rest of the population. – Other Health Provider

Stigma

- There is still a lot of stigma associated with it. Many are still uneducated about how it is spread. – Social Service Representative
Sexually Transmitted Diseases

About Sexually Transmitted Diseases

STDs refer to more than 25 infectious organisms that are transmitted primarily through sexual activity. Despite their burdens, costs, and complications, and the fact that they are largely preventable, STDs remain a significant public health problem in the United States. This problem is largely unrecognized by the public, policymakers, and health care professionals. STDs cause many harmful, often irreversible, and costly clinical complications, such as: reproductive health problems; fetal and perinatal health problems; cancer; and facilitation of the sexual transmission of HIV infection.

Because many cases of STDs go undiagnosed—and some common viral infections, such as human papillomavirus (HPV) and genital herpes, are not reported to CDC at all—the reported cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis represent only a fraction of the true burden of STDs in the US. Untreated STDs can lead to serious long-term health consequences, especially for adolescent girls and young women. Several factors contribute to the spread of STDs.

Biological Factors. STDs are acquired during unprotected sex with an infected partner. Biological factors that affect the spread of STDs include:

- **Asymptomatic nature of STDs.** The majority of STDs either do not produce any symptoms or signs, or they produce symptoms so mild that they are unnoticed; consequently, many infected persons do not know that they need medical care.
- **Gender disparities.** Women suffer more frequent and more serious STD complications than men do. Among the most serious STD complications are pelvic inflammatory disease, ectopic pregnancy (pregnancy outside of the uterus), infertility, and chronic pelvic pain.
- **Age disparities.** Compared to older adults, sexually active adolescents ages 15 to 19 and young adults ages 20 to 24 are at higher risk for getting STDs.
- **Lag time between infection and complications.** Often, a long interval, sometimes years, occurs between acquiring an STD and recognizing a clinically significant health problem.

Social, Economic and Behavioral Factors. The spread of STDs is directly affected by social, economic, and behavioral factors. Such factors may cause serious obstacles to STD prevention due to their influence on social and sexual networks, access to and provision of care, willingness to seek care, and social norms regarding sex and sexuality. Among certain vulnerable populations, historical experience with segregation and discrimination exacerbates these factors. Social, economic, and behavioral factors that affect the spread of STDs include: racial and ethnic disparities; poverty and marginalization; access to healthcare; substance abuse; sexuality and secrecy (stigma and discomfort discussing sex); and sexual networks (persons “linked” by sequential or concurrent sexual partners).

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Chlamydia & Gonorrhea

**Chlamydia.** Chlamydia is the most commonly reported STD in the United States; most people who have chlamydia don’t know it since the disease often has no symptoms.

**Gonorrhea.** Anyone who is sexually active can get gonorrhea. Gonorrhea can be cured with the right medication; left untreated, however, gonorrhea can cause serious health problems in both women and men.

The following charts outline local incidence for these STDs.
Hepatitis B Vaccination

“To be vaccinated against hepatitis B, a series of three shots must be administered, usually at least one month between shots. Have you completed a hepatitis B vaccination series?”

Have Completed the Hepatitis B Vaccination Series
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 70]
- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status. “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
Safe Sexual Practices

**Sexual Partners**

“*During the past 12 months, with how many people have you had sexual intercourse?*”

“*Was a condom used the last time you had sexual intercourse?*”

Each of these is reported below only among adults who are unmarried and between the ages of 18 and 64.

### Had Three or More Sexual Partners in the Past Year

**(Among Unmarried Adults Age 18-64)**

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**Total Service Area**

- 6.5%
- 10.2%
- 15.1%

**Sources:**
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 86]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

**Notes:**
- Asked of all unmarried respondents under the age of 65.

### Condom Was Used During Last Sexual Intercourse

**(Among Unmarried Adults Age 18-64)**

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**Total Service Area**

- 42.7%
- 45.9%
- 50.3%

**Sources:**
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 87]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

**Notes:**
- Asked of all unmarried respondents under the age of 65.
Key Informant Input: Sexually Transmitted Diseases

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Sexually Transmitted Diseases as a problem in the community:

**Perceptions of Sexually Transmitted Diseases as a Problem in the Community**
(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

**Top Concerns**
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

**Safe Sex Practices**
*Given the increase in pregnancy and birthrates in this community, one can assume that safe sex is not a common practice, therefore STDs are a problem.* – Community/Business Leader
*For many of the same reasons as teen pregnancy, there are not widespread accessible resources for young (and old) people to learn about STDs and how to prevent them. We can do a better job of normalizing safe sex.* – Social Service Representative
*Sexually transmitted disease is a problem because people engage in unprotected sex and there is no such thing as protected sex. A condom may prevent pregnancy, but it doesn’t prevent sexually transmitted diseases.* – Community/Business Leader
*Forced prostitution and poor safe sex practices.* – Social Service Representative

**Lack of Education**
*Lack of education about STD’s.* – Social Service Representative
*Unprotected sex with multiple partners. High volume of STDs seen in Emergency Room.* – Other Health Provider
*Based on the previous need of family planning and HIV infections, there is a lack of understanding about STD’s.* – Social Service Representative

**Prevalence of STDs**
*STD rates are higher compared to the state rates, especially in impoverished zip codes. Gonorrhea rates are on the rise.* – Public Health Expert
*There is an increase in gonorrheal infections.* – Public Health Expert
*Chlamydia rates have increased over the last 10 years and if untreated can lead to significant reproductive issues, including fallopian tube scarring and infertility in females and urethritis and epididymitis in males.* – Other Health Provider
Timely Diagnosis

*Often infected individuals are not properly diagnosed, treated and educated. This puts them at risk for reinfection.* – Community/Business Leader

Immunization & Infectious Diseases

**Key Informant Input: Immunization & Infectious Diseases**

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Immunization & Infectious Diseases as a problem in the community:

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Comorbidities

*While I do not believe that immunizations are a problem in the community, infectious diseases like pneumonia are a problem because of comorbid issues like high rate of pollution and poor housing.* – Social Service Representative

Access to Care

*This is an assumption based on the lack of medical providers in the area.* – Community/Business Leader

Incomplete Immunizations

*Incomplete immunizations, families deciding not to immunize children.* – Social Service Representative
Births

Prenatal Care

About Infant & Child Health

Improving the well-being of mothers, infants, and children is an important public health goal for the US. Their well-being determines the health of the next generation and can help predict future public health challenges for families, communities, and the healthcare system. The risk of maternal and infant mortality and pregnancy-related complications can be reduced by increasing access to quality preconception (before pregnancy) and inter-conception (between pregnancies) care. Moreover, healthy birth outcomes and early identification and treatment of health conditions among infants can prevent death or disability and enable children to reach their full potential. Many factors can affect pregnancy and childbirth, including pre-conception health status, age, access to appropriate healthcare, and poverty.

Infant and child health are similarly influenced by socio-demographic factors, such as family income, but are also linked to the physical and mental health of parents and caregivers. There are racial and ethnic disparities in mortality and morbidity for mothers and children, particularly for African Americans. These differences are likely the result of many factors, including social determinants (such as racial and ethnic disparities in infant mortality; family income; educational attainment among household members; and health insurance coverage) and physical determinants (i.e., the health, nutrition, and behaviors of the mother during pregnancy and early childhood).

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Early and continuous prenatal care is the best assurance of infant health. Receipt of timely prenatal care (care initiated during the first trimester of pregnancy) in the service area, state and nation are outlined in the following chart.

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target.

**Lack of Prenatal Care in the First Trimester**
(Percentage of Live Births, 2007-2010)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 22.1% or Lower

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Sources:
- Retrieved August 2015 from Community Commons at http://www.chna.org

Note:
- This indicator reports the percentage of women who do not obtain prenatal care during their first trimester of pregnancy. This indicator is relevant because engaging in prenatal care decreases the likelihood of maternal and infant health risks. This indicator can also highlight a lack of access to preventive care, a lack of health knowledge, insufficient provider outreach, and/or social barriers preventing utilization of services.
Birth Outcomes & Risks

Low-Weight Births

Low birthweight babies, those who weigh less than 2,500 grams (5 pounds, 8 ounces) at birth, are much more prone to illness and neonatal death than are babies of normal birthweight. Largely a result of receiving poor or inadequate prenatal care, many low-weight births and the consequent health problems are preventable. Births of low-weight infants are described below.

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target.

### Low-Weight Births

(Percent of Live Births, 2011-2013)

Healthy People 2020 Target = 7.8% or Lower

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Note: This indicator reports the percentage of total births that are low birth weight (Under 2500g). This indicator is relevant because low birth weight infants are at high risk for health problems. This indicator can also highlight the existence of health disparities.
**Infant Mortality**

Infant mortality rates reflect deaths of children less than one year old per 1,000 live births. These rates are outlined in the following chart.

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target.

![Infant Mortality Rate Chart](image-url)

**Key Informant Input: Infant & Child Health**

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of *Infant & Child Health* as a problem in the community:

![Perceptions of Infant and Child Health Chart](image-url)

**Notes:**
- Rates are three-year averages of deaths of children under 1 year old per 1,000 live births.

**Sources:**
- CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics.
Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Behavioral Health

- *There are disparities for infant and child health and there has been a steady increase in the number of children and adolescents that need emergency SASS behavioral health assessments.* – Public Health Expert

- *Infant and child health is a major problem because of poor access to prenatal care and the prevalence of comorbid maternal illness like poor mental health and substance addiction.* – Social Service Representative

Nutrition

- *Children have poor eating habits and some are underweight and some are overweight.* – Community/Business Leader

- *Many children are unhealthy in school.* – Social Service Representative

Infant Mortality

- *High rates of infant mortality persist among racial and ethnic minorities.* – Public Health Expert

- *Infant mortality rates remain unacceptably high.* – Other Health Provider

Racial Disparities

- *The disparities and inequities of birth outcomes between races is distinct. Those with a lower socioeconomic status generally have worse birth outcomes in Lake County.* – Public Health Expert

Education

- *Lack of education about infant and child health. Lack of early childhood funding to support programs to help communities where these gaps exist.* – Social Service Representative
Family Planning

Births to Teen Mothers

About Teen Births

The negative outcomes associated with unintended pregnancies are compounded for adolescents. Teen mothers:

- Are less likely to graduate from high school or attain a GED by the time they reach age 30.
- Earn an average of approximately $3,500 less per year, when compared with those who delay childbearing.
- Receive nearly twice as much Federal aid for nearly twice as long.

Similarly, early fatherhood is associated with lower educational attainment and lower income. Children of teen parents are more likely to have lower cognitive attainment and exhibit more behavior problems. Sons of teen mothers are more likely to be incarcerated, and daughters are more likely to become adolescent mothers.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

The following charts describe local teen births.

Births to Teen Mothers
(TSA; Births to Women Under 20 as a Percentage of Live Births, 2011-2013)

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<td>Non-Hispanic Other</td>
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<td>All Races/Ethnicities</td>
<td>7.2%</td>
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Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Vital Statistics System: 2011-20123 Accessed using CDC WONDER.

Note: Numbers are a percentage of all live births within each population.
Teen Birth Trends
(Births to Women Under Age 20 as a Percentage of Life Births)


Notes: This indicator reports the rate of total births to women under the age of 20 per 1,000 female population under 20. This indicator is relevant because in many cases, teen parents have unique social, economic, and health support services. Additionally, high rates of teen pregnancy may indicate the prevalence of unsafe sex practices.

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Key Informant Input: Family Planning
The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Family Planning as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Family Planning as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

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<td>34.0%</td>
<td>38.0%</td>
<td>26.0%</td>
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Top Concerns
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Teen Pregnancy Prevalence
There are too many young adults and teens that are becoming pregnant. If there was more education and family planning resources available, perhaps pregnancy rates would not be so high.
– Community/Business Leader

Chicago maintains a higher than acceptable teen pregnancy rate as well as pregnancies that are not spaced. Teens and families need to feel empowered and able to talk about sensitive issues such as sexual activity. There is little support and resources for families beyond sex education.
For uninsured women, there are few options for free birth control. – Social Service Representative

There is a large percentage of teenagers and youth engaged in risky sexual behaviors with many becoming parents. – Social Service Representative

Youth need mentors to address the importance of not getting pregnant. – Community/Business Leader

Young having babies and Latino families having too many. – Social Service Representative

Teen pregnancy seems to continue to grow in our community. Young girls are at a high risk when they get pregnant so young. The problems are not just physical, emotionally they are at a high risk for depression and potentially addictive and risky behavior, especially if forced to have an abortion and even give the child up for adoption. However, usually they either choose (or their parent chooses) to keep the baby or have an abortion. Many teens don’t want to use birth control because they want to get pregnant! The issue we need to look at is emotional/psychological, not just a matter of handing out birth control, most know how to use it. But, most are not emotionally mature to understand the impact of their decision! - Other Health Provider

Our local high school is well known for the large number of pregnant teens. Latino mothers in our community lack a voice and a choice when it comes to pregnancy in their marriage. – Other Health Provider

A lot of young kids having children and not using protection. – Other Health Provider

High teen pregnancy rates. – Public Health Expert

Access to Care

Lack of access to resources and positive life experiences throughout life affect available choices that may be different than those chosen when resources are available. – Other Health Provider

It is difficult for teens to obtain without parental permission. – Social Service Representative

Greater need for comprehensive reproductive health and sexual health education, limited access to affordable family planning options, including non-hormonal forms, limited access to abortion. – Public Health Expert

There is a lack of full choice and affordable services. District by district the schools teach a restricted agenda on full choice and sexual health information. In short, we don’t equip our teens, young adults or adults with enough access and choices. – Social Service Representative

It’s become more difficult for people to access if they are not adequately insured. – Social Service Representative

Access to medical care and huge gap in education about family planning. – Social Service Representative

Family Planning

We’ve come a long way in this area but still have certain populations that are struggling with family planning. – Social Service Representative
Modifiable Health Risks

About Contributors to Mortality

A 1999 study (an update to a landmark 1993 study), estimated that as many as 40% of premature deaths in the United States are attributed to behavioral factors. This study found that behavior patterns represent the single-most prominent domain of influence over health prospects in the United States. The daily choices we make with respect to diet, physical activity, and sex; the substance abuse and addictions to which we fall prey; our approach to safety; and our coping strategies in confronting stress are all important determinants of health.

The most prominent contributors to mortality in the United States in 2000 were tobacco (an estimated 435,000 deaths), diet and activity patterns (400,000), alcohol (85,000), microbial agents (75,000), toxic agents (55,000), motor vehicles (43,000), firearms (29,000), sexual behavior (20,000), and illicit use of drugs (17,000). Socioeconomic status and access to medical care are also important contributors, but difficult to quantify independent of the other factors cited. Because the studies reviewed used different approaches to derive estimates, the stated numbers should be viewed as first approximations.

These analyses show that smoking remains the leading cause of mortality. However, poor diet and physical inactivity may soon overtake tobacco as the leading cause of death. These findings, along with escalating healthcare costs and aging population, argue persuasively that the need to establish a more preventive orientation in the US healthcare and public health systems has become more urgent.

• Ali H. Mokdad, PhD; James S. Marks, MD, MPH; Donna F. Stroup, PhD, MSc; Julie L. Gerberding, MD, MPH. "Actual Causes of Death in the United States." JAMA, 291(2004):1238-1245.

While causes of death are typically described as the diseases or injuries immediately precipitating the end of life, a few important studies have shown that the actual causes of premature death (reflecting underlying risk factors) are often preventable.

Factors Contributing to Premature Deaths in the United States


• "Actual Causes of Death in the United States" (Ali H. Mokdad, PhD; James S. Marks, MD, MPH; Donna F. Stroup, PhD, MSc; Julie L. Gerberding, MD, MPH.) JAMA, 291 (2004) 1238-1245.
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Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight

Nutrition

### About Healthful Diet & Healthy Weight

Strong science exists supporting the health benefits of eating a healthful diet and maintaining a healthy body weight. Efforts to change diet and weight should address individual behaviors, as well as the policies and environments that support these behaviors in settings such as schools, worksites, healthcare organizations, and communities.

The goal of promoting healthful diets and healthy weight encompasses increasing household food security and eliminating hunger.

Americans with a healthful diet:

- Consume a variety of nutrient-dense foods within and across the food groups, especially whole grains, fruits, vegetables, low-fat or fat-free milk or milk products, and lean meats and other protein sources.
- Limit the intake of saturated and trans fats, cholesterol, added sugars, sodium (salt), and alcohol.
- Limit caloric intake to meet caloric needs.

Diet and body weight are related to health status. Good nutrition is important to the growth and development of children. A healthful diet also helps Americans reduce their risks for many health conditions, including: overweight and obesity; malnutrition; iron-deficiency anemia; heart disease; high blood pressure; dyslipidemia (poor lipid profiles); type 2 diabetes; osteoporosis; oral disease; constipation; diverticular disease; and some cancers.

Diet reflects the variety of foods and beverages consumed over time and in settings such as worksites, schools, restaurants, and the home. Interventions to support a healthier diet can help ensure that:

- Individuals have the knowledge and skills to make healthier choices.
- Healthier options are available and affordable.

**Social Determinants of Diet.** Demographic characteristics of those with a more healthful diet vary with the nutrient or food studied. However, most Americans need to improve some aspect of their diet.

Social factors thought to influence diet include:

- Knowledge and attitudes
- Skills
- Social support
- Societal and cultural norms
- Food and agricultural policies
- Food assistance programs
- Economic price systems

**Physical Determinants of Diet.** Access to and availability of healthier foods can help people follow healthful diets. For example, better access to retail venues that sell healthier options may have a positive impact on a person’s diet; these venues may be less available in low-income or rural neighborhoods.

The places where people eat appear to influence their diet. For example, foods eaten away from home often have more calories and are of lower nutritional quality than foods prepared at home.

Marketing also influences people’s—particularly children’s—food choices.

- [Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)](http://www.healthypeople.gov)
Daily Recommendation of Fruits/Vegetables

To measure fruit and vegetable consumption, survey respondents were asked multiple questions, specifically about the foods and drinks they consumed on the day prior to the interview.

“Now I would like you to think about the foods you ate or drank yesterday. Include all the foods you ate, both at home and away from home. How many servings of fruit or fruit juices did you have yesterday?”

“How many servings of vegetables did you have yesterday?”

The questions above are used to calculate daily fruit/vegetable consumption for adults at the respondent level. The proportion reporting having 5 or more servings per day is shown below.

**Consume Five or More Servings of Fruits/Vegetables Per Day**
*(Total Service Area, 2015)*

![Bar chart showing consumption of fruits and vegetables by different groups.]

**Sources:**
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 146]

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents; respondents were asked to recall their food intake on the previous day.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
Access to Fresh Produce

“How difficult is it for you to buy fresh produce like fruits and vegetables at a price you can afford — would you say: very difficult, somewhat difficult, not too difficult, or not at all difficult?”

Find It “Very” or “Somewhat” Difficult to Buy Affordable Fresh Produce (Total Service Area, 2015)

A food desert is defined as a low-income area where a significant number or share of residents is far from a supermarket, where “far” is more than 1 mile in urban areas and more than 10 miles in rural areas. The chart for this indicator below is based on US Department of Agriculture data.

Population With Low Food Access (Percent of Population That Is Far From a Supermarket or Large Grocery Store, 2010)

Sources:

Notes:
- This indicator reports the percentage of the population living in census tracts designated as food deserts. A food desert is defined as low-income areas where a significant number or share of residents is far from a supermarket, where “far” is more than 1 mile in urban areas and more than 10 miles in rural areas. This indicator is relevant because it highlights populations and geographies facing food insecurity.
Physical Activity

**About Physical Activity**

Regular physical activity can improve the health and quality of life of Americans of all ages, regardless of the presence of a chronic disease or disability. Among adults and older adults, physical activity can lower the risk of: early death; coronary heart disease; stroke; high blood pressure; type 2 diabetes; breast and colon cancer; falls; and depression. Among children and adolescents, physical activity can: improve bone health; improve cardiorespiratory and muscular fitness; decrease levels of body fat; and reduce symptoms of depression. For people who are inactive, even small increases in physical activity are associated with health benefits.

Personal, social, economic, and environmental factors all play a role in physical activity levels among youth, adults, and older adults. Understanding the barriers to and facilitators of physical activity is important to ensure the effectiveness of interventions and other actions to improve levels of physical activity.

Factors **positively** associated with adult physical activity include: postsecondary education; higher income; enjoyment of exercise; expectation of benefits; belief in ability to exercise (self-efficacy); history of activity in adulthood; social support from peers, family, or spouse; access to and satisfaction with facilities; enjoyable scenery; and safe neighborhoods.

Factors **negatively** associated with adult physical activity include: advancing age; low income; lack of time; low motivation; rural residency; perception of great effort needed for exercise; overweight or obesity; perception of poor health; and being disabled. Older adults may have additional factors that keep them from being physically active, including lack of social support, lack of transportation to facilities, fear of injury, and cost of programs.

Among children ages 4 to 12, the following factors have a positive association with physical activity: gender (boys); belief in ability to be active (self-efficacy); and parental support.

Among adolescents ages 13 to 18, the following factors have a positive association with physical activity: parental education; gender (boys); personal goals; physical education/school sports; belief in ability to be active (self-efficacy); and support of friends and family.

Environmental influences positively associated with physical activity among children and adolescents include:

- Presence of sidewalks
- Having a destination/walking to a particular place
- Access to public transportation
- Low traffic density
- Access to neighborhood or school play area and/or recreational equipment

People with disabilities may be less likely to participate in physical activity due to physical, emotional, and psychological barriers. Barriers may include the inaccessibility of facilities and the lack of staff trained in working with people with disabilities.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)
**Recommended Levels of Physical Activity**

Adults (age 18–64) should do 2 hours and 30 minutes a week of moderate-intensity, or 1 hour and 15 minutes (75 minutes) a week of vigorous-intensity aerobic physical activity, or an equivalent combination of moderate- and vigorous-intensity aerobic physical activity. Aerobic activity should be performed in episodes of at least 10 minutes, preferably spread throughout the week.

Additional health benefits are provided by increasing to 5 hours (300 minutes) a week of moderate-intensity aerobic physical activity, or 2 hours and 30 minutes a week of vigorous-intensity physical activity, or an equivalent combination of both.

Older adults (age 65 and older) should follow the adult guidelines. If this is not possible due to limiting chronic conditions, older adults should be as physically active as their abilities allow. They should avoid inactivity. Older adults should do exercises that maintain or improve balance if they are at risk of falling.

For all individuals, some activity is better than none. Physical activity is safe for almost everyone, and the health benefits of physical activity far outweigh the risks.


**Physical Activity Levels**

**Leisure-Time Physical Activity.** Leisure-time physical activity includes any physical activities or exercises (such as running, calisthenics, golf, gardening, walking, etc.) which take place outside of one’s line of work.

**“During the past month, other than your regular job, did you participate in any physical activities or exercises, such as running, calisthenics, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise?”**

- Note the corresponding Healthy People 2020 target in the chart below.

**No Leisure-Time Physical Activity in the Past Month**

Healthy People 2020 Target = 32.6% or Lower

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Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 62]
- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey Data, Atlanta, Illinois. United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); 2013 Illinois data.
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
No Leisure-Time Physical Activity in the Past Month  
(Total Service Area, 2015)  
Healthy People 2020 Target = 32.6% or Lower

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Sources:  
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 92]  

Notes:  
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Meeting Physical Activity Recommendations. Meeting physical activity requirements means satisfying a minimum threshold of minutes per week with a combination of vigorous- and/or moderate-intensity physical activity (as determined from the questions below). These thresholds are described in the orange box above.

“Vigorous activities cause large increases in breathing or heart rate, while moderate activities cause small increases in breathing or heart rate. Now, thinking about when you are not working, how many days per week or per month do you do vigorous activities for at least 20 minutes at a time, such as running, aerobics, heavy yard work, or anything else that causes large increases in breathing and heart rate?”

“And on how many days per week or per month do you do moderate activities for at least 30 minutes at a time, such as brisk walking, bicycling, vacuuming, gardening, or anything else that causes some increase in breathing or heart rate?”
Meets Physical Activity Recommendations

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 147]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of all respondents.
In this case the term “meets physical activity recommendations” refers to participation in moderate physical activity (exercise that produces only light sweating or a slight to moderate increase in breathing or heart rate) at least 5 times a week for 30 minutes at a time, and/or vigorous physical activity (activities that cause heavy sweating or large increases in breathing or heart rate) at least 3 times a week for 20 minutes at a time.

Meets Physical Activity Recommendations
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 147]

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Access to Physical Activity

“How difficult is it for you to access safe and affordable places to get physical activity or exercise, such as at a park, gym, YMCA, or recreation center?”

Level of Difficulty in Accessing Safe and Affordable Places for Exercise
(Total Service Area, 2015)

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<th>Difficulty Level</th>
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<td>Very Difficult</td>
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<td>Not At All Difficult</td>
<td>59.3%</td>
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Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 308]
Notes: Asked of all respondents.

Recreation & Fitness Facility Access. Here, recreation/fitness facilities include establishments engaged in operating facilities which offer “exercise and other active physical fitness conditioning or recreational sports activities.” Examples include athletic clubs, gymnasiums, dance centers, tennis clubs, and swimming pools.

Population With Recreation & Fitness Facility Access
(Number of Recreation & Fitness Facilities per 100,000 Population, 2008-2012)

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Sources: US Census Bureau, County Business Patterns: 2011. Additional data analysis by CARES.
Notes: Recreation and fitness facilities are defined by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code 713940, which include Establishments engaged in operating facilities which offer “exercise and other active physical fitness conditioning or recreational sports activities.” Examples include athletic clubs, gymnasiums, dance centers, tennis clubs, and swimming pools. This indicator is relevant because access to recreation and fitness facilities encourages physical activity and other healthy behaviors.
Children’s Physical Activity

“During the past 7 days, on how many days was this child physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day?”

Child Is Physically Active for One or More Hours per Day
(Among Children Age 2-17)

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 117]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of all respondents with children age 2-17 at home.
Includes children reported to have one or more hours of physical activity on each of the seven days preceding the survey.
Weight Status

About Overweight & Obesity

Because weight is influenced by energy (calories) consumed and expended, interventions to improve weight can support changes in diet or physical activity. They can help change individuals’ knowledge and skills, reduce exposure to foods low in nutritional value and high in calories, or increase opportunities for physical activity. Interventions can help prevent unhealthy weight gain or facilitate weight loss among obese people. They can be delivered in multiple settings, including healthcare settings, worksites, or schools.

The social and physical factors affecting diet and physical activity (see Physical Activity topic area) may also have an impact on weight. Obesity is a problem throughout the population. However, among adults, the prevalence is highest for middle-aged people and for non-Hispanic black and Mexican American women. Among children and adolescents, the prevalence of obesity is highest among older and Mexican American children and non-Hispanic black girls. The association of income with obesity varies by age, gender, and race/ethnicity.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Body Mass Index (BMI), which describes relative weight for height, is significantly correlated with total body fat content. The BMI should be used to assess overweight and obesity and to monitor changes in body weight. In addition, measurements of body weight alone can be used to determine efficacy of weight loss therapy. BMI is calculated as weight (kg)/height squared (m²). To estimate BMI using pounds and inches, use: [weight (pounds)/height squared (inches²)] x 703.

In this report, overweight is defined as a BMI of 25.0 to 29.9 kg/m² and obesity as a BMI ≥30 kg/m². The rationale behind these definitions is based on epidemiological data that show increases in mortality with BMIs above 25 kg/m². The increase in mortality, however, tends to be modest until a BMI of 30 kg/m² is reached. For persons with a BMI ≥30 kg/m², mortality rates from all causes, and especially from cardiovascular disease, are generally increased by 50 to 100 percent above that of persons with BMIs in the range of 20 to 25 kg/m².


### Classification of Overweight and Obesity by BMI

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<td>Healthy Weight</td>
<td>18.5 – 24.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Overweight, not Obese</td>
<td>25.0 – 29.9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Obese</td>
<td>≥30.0</td>
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Adult Weight Status

"About how much do you weigh without shoes?"

"About how tall are you without shoes?"

The survey questions above were used to calculate a Body Mass Index or BMI value (described above) for each respondent. This calculation allows us to examine the proportion of the population who is at a healthy weight, or who is overweight or obese (see table above).

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target for obesity.
Healthy Weight
(Percent of Adults With a Body Mass Index Between 18.5 and 24.9)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 33.9% or Higher

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 151]

Notes:
- Based on reported heights and weights, asked of all respondents.
- The definition of healthy weight is having a body mass index (BMI), a ratio of weight to height (kilograms divided by meters squared), between 18.5 and 24.9.

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Prevalence of Total Overweight
(Percent of Adults With a Body Mass Index of 25.0 or Higher)

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 151]

Notes:
- Based on reported heights and weights, asked of all respondents.
- The definition of overweight is having a body mass index (BMI), a ratio of weight to height (kilograms divided by meters squared), greater than or equal to 25.0, regardless of gender. The definition for obesity is a BMI greater than or equal to 30.0.
Prevalence of Obesity
(Percent of Adults With a Body Mass Index of 30.0 or Higher)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 30.5% or Lower

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 151]
- 2015 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Based on reported heights and weights, asked of all respondents.
- The definition of obesity is having a body mass index (BMI), a ratio of weight to height (kilograms divided by meters squared), greater than or equal to 30.0, regardless of gender.

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Prevalence of Obesity
(Percent of Adults With a BMI of 30.0 or Higher; Total Service Area, 2015)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 30.5% or Lower

Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 151]

Notes:
- Based on reported heights and weights, asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “MidHigh Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
- The definition of obesity is having a body mass index (BMI), a ratio of weight to height (kilograms divided by meters squared), greater than or equal to 30.0, regardless of gender.
“How would you describe your own personal weight?”

**Actual vs. Perceived Weight Status**
(Among Overweight/Obese Adults Based on BMI; Total Service Area, 2015)

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<tr>
<th>Perceive Self as</th>
<th>Among Adults Overweight But Not Obese (BMI 25.0-29.9)</th>
<th>Among Obese Adults (BMI 30+)</th>
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<tr>
<td>&quot;Very/Somewhat Underweight&quot;</td>
<td>0.1%</td>
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<td>&quot;About the Right Weight&quot;</td>
<td>31.6%</td>
<td>4.1%</td>
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<td>&quot;Somewhat Overweight&quot;</td>
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<td>&quot;Very Overweight&quot;</td>
<td>1.4%</td>
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**About Maintaining a Healthy Weight**

Individuals who are at a healthy weight are less likely to:

- Develop chronic disease risk factors, such as high blood pressure and dyslipidemia.
- Develop chronic diseases, such as type 2 diabetes, heart disease, osteoarthritis, and some cancers.
- Experience complications during pregnancy.
- Die at an earlier age.

All Americans should avoid unhealthy weight gain, and those whose weight is too high may also need to lose weight.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

**Weight Management.** The following three questions were used to calculate the proportion of adults who are overweight or obese and who are using a combination of both diet and exercise in order to try to lose weight.

“Are you now trying to lose weight?”

“Are you eating either fewer calories or less fat to lose weight?”

“Are you using physical activity or exercise to lose weight?”
Trying to Lose Weight by Both Modifying Diet and Increasing Physical Activity
(Among Overweight or Obese Respondents)

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 152]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Reflects respondents who are overweight or obese based on reported heights and weights.

**Childhood Overweight & Obesity**

**About Weight Status in Children & Teens**

In children and teens, body mass index (BMI) is used to assess weight status – underweight, healthy weight, overweight, or obese. After BMI is calculated for children and teens, the BMI number is plotted on the CDC BMI-for-age growth charts (for either girls or boys) to obtain a percentile ranking. Percentiles are the most commonly used indicator to assess the size and growth patterns of individual children in the United States. The percentile indicates the relative position of the child’s BMI number among children of the same sex and age.

BMI-for-age weight status categories and the corresponding percentiles are shown below:

- **Underweight**
  - <5th percentile

- **Healthy Weight**
  - ≥5th and <85th percentile

- **Overweight**
  - ≥85th and <95th percentile

- **Obese**
  - ≥95th percentile

The following questions were used to calculate a BMI value (and weight classification as noted above) for each child represented in the survey:

"How much does this child weigh without shoes?"

"About how tall is this child?"
Child Total Overweight Prevalence
(Children Age 5-17 Who Are Overweight/Obese; BMI in the 85th Percentile or Higher)

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<td>42.4%</td>
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<td>28.3%</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>27.8%</td>
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Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 155]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents with children age 5-17 at home.
- Overweight among children is determined by children’s Body Mass Index status at or above the 85th percentile of US growth charts by gender and age.

Child Obesity Prevalence
(Children Age 5-17 Who Are Obese; BMI in the 95th Percentile or Higher)

Healthy People 2020 Target = 14.5% or Lower

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<td>11.8%</td>
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2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents with children age 5-17 at home.
- Obesity among children is determined by children’s Body Mass Index status equal to or above the 95th percentile of US growth charts by gender and age.
Health Advice About Physical Activity & Exercise

“During the past 12 months, has a doctor asked you about or given you advice regarding diet and nutrition?”

“During the past 12 months, has a doctor asked you about or given you advice regarding physical activity or exercise?”

“In the past 12 months, has a doctor, nurse or other health professional given you advice about your weight?”

The chart below details responses to these questions among the total sample of respondents, as well as responses segmented by weight classification based on calculated BMI.

![Chart showing percentage of respondents who received advice about diet, exercise, and weight from a physician, nurse, or other health professional. The chart includes data for Total Service Area, MCHC Region, and US, segmented by weight classification.]

Sources:  
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 18, 19, 98]  
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.
Key Informant Input: Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight

The following chart outlines key informants' perceptions of the severity of Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight as a problem in the community:

### Perceptions of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Weight as a Problem in the Community

(Key Informants, 2015)

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<td>66.0%</td>
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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

**Top Concerns**

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

**Infrastructure**

- Lack of parks and safe spaces in the West side communities to be outdoors. Lack of funding for programs that help to teach about nutrition and promote physical activity. Food deserts make this hard to improve. – Social Service Representative
- Safe and inviting outdoor space. – Social Service Representative
- People don’t feel safe walking or exercising outside in Chicago due to gun violence. – Physician
- Affordable case management for nutrition and exercise programs. Most folks we care for cannot afford the luxuries of meeting with a regular trainer or nutritionist to help with weight issues. – Other Health Provider
- Access to information, affordable food, safe neighborhoods. – Public Health Expert
- Inadequate resources is a barrier to adopting healthy lifestyles. Lack of access to nutritious food and safe places for physical activity. – Other Health Provider
- Access to opportunities for education and fitness training. – Community/Business Leader
- Lifestyle changes are needed to improve nutrition and physical activity. To do this, ongoing investment has to occur in communities at greatest risk. – Public Health Expert
- Limited physical and all season spaces for activity. – Public Health Expert

**Contributing Factors**

- Lots of very overweight people. – Social Service Representative
- Lack of exercise, poor eating habits, limited education on health and nutrition, poor follow-up with primary care providers and lack of follow-through from providers to incentivize patients to lose weight and live a healthier lifestyle. – Physician
- Obesity. – Other Health Provider
- Stress of time management leads to poor choices of food, lack of exercise as priority. – Social Service Representative
- The pressure and stress of jobs, families, commuting, etc. make it difficult for individuals and
families to have sufficient time to attend to physical activity. We live in a culture that values "working hard" but not "playing hard." The imbalance is significant. Additionally, Lake County is car dependent, with a limited amount of safe walking and biking areas, making exercise outdoors challenging. Confusion continues to abound healthy eating and physical activity despite the mass of information available. That may actually be the problem, too many voices, not a unified message.

Public Health Expert

Our eating habits continue to drive this issue. The quality of our food is also an issue, although more and more people and companies are climbing on the organic and non-GMO band wagon. Digital addictions plague our youth, who would rather play video games than play outside. Accessibility to indoor space where seniors can walk in safety for free is another important component.

Community/Business Leader

Restaurant menus are lots of fried food and huge portions. People work more than one job and have no time for exercise. Lack of education about healthy lifestyles. Low income and prices of healthy foods.

Community/Business Leader

Current western lifestyles create environments that favor reduced physical activity and consumption of calorie rich, nutrient poor foods.

Other Health Provider

Policy, system and environmental changes are needed to influence lifestyle changes and behaviors. While health-focused after-school programming is great, it does not change the reality of the home life of the child, nor does it change the obesogenic environment in which they live.

Social Service Representative

Children are becoming more and more aware of healthy options. Unfortunately, their parents are not as quick at making the changes, so the cycle continues. It is very difficult to break the bad habit cycles that families need to do in order to make life-long changes. It is very frustrating when physicians are not properly trained and more aware of the proper nutrition choices for their patients. It is not sufficient to say you need to lose weight! In addition, nutrition programs that offer ongoing support and counseling are very expensive. Another issue that does not get addressed very often is the connection of mental health and nutrition and how it affects our success or lack thereof.

Other Health Provider

Lack of knowledge of what is healthy, nutritional food and allowing children to play indoors way too much and not encouraging them to play outdoors. With working parents, meals are what is quick and easy and carryout rather than quick, easy and healthy.

Community/Business Leader

Need for nutritionally dense, active lifestyles in order to promote healthy weight for all residents. In addition, there is significant disparity within the county borders related to socioeconomic status.

Public Health Expert

More education free to the public is needed to address this. Could benefit those with chronic conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure. Difficult to choose healthy foods when on limited grocery budget.

Social Service Representative

The incidence of overweight is frequent although people are becoming more aware of healthy options for their diets. This is a complex issue which has been a challenge for our entire country, let alone this region. Education has improved but we have a long way to go with respect to prepared and processed food. Michelle Obama is right in that it has to start with the children.

Community/Business Leader

Dramatic disparities between communities. Obesity rates are up to three times higher in disadvantaged zip codes. Your ZIP code is more important than your genetic code.

Public Health Expert

Our nation is headed in the wrong direction with regards to fitness, activity and nutrition.
any local parade, the kids are heavier than 15 years ago. Look at any local epidemiological measure, kids and adults are heavier. We live in an area that was built on a suburban model that discourages walking. Nutritional choices are weighted against people in general, more so for those with low income as fresh and healthy foods are more expensive than processed. – Social Service Representative

Obesity

Obesity is an epidemic in the US. – Social Service Representative

Obesity seems to be a growing issue in this community. – Community/Business Leader

Obesity is a national issue, but due to the lack of access to healthy foods and prevalence of violence, African-Americans are disproportionately impacted. – Social Service Representative

Morbid obesity. – Community/Business Leader

Lack of Education

There needs to be an increase in knowledge and schools need to be leaders. – Social Service Representative

Public awareness/belief of effects poor nutrition, lack of physical activity and overweight/obesity has on one's health. Cultural norms are faulty and strong. – Public Health Expert
Substance Abuse

About Substance Abuse

Substance abuse has a major impact on individuals, families, and communities. The effects of substance abuse are cumulative, significantly contributing to costly social, physical, mental, and public health problems. These problems include:

- Teenage pregnancy
- Human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS)
- Other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)
- Domestic violence
- Child abuse
- Motor vehicle crashes
- Physical fights
- Crime
- Homicide
- Suicide

Substance abuse refers to a set of related conditions associated with the consumption of mind- and behavior-altering substances that have negative behavioral and health outcomes. Social attitudes and political and legal responses to the consumption of alcohol and illicit drugs make substance abuse one of the most complex public health issues. In addition to the considerable health implications, substance abuse has been a flash-point in the criminal justice system and a major focal point in discussions about social values: people argue over whether substance abuse is a disease with genetic and biological foundations or a matter of personal choice.

Advances in research have led to the development of evidence-based strategies to effectively address substance abuse. Improvements in brain-imaging technologies and the development of medications that assist in treatment have gradually shifted the research community’s perspective on substance abuse. There is now a deeper understanding of substance abuse as a disorder that develops in adolescence and, for some individuals, will develop into a chronic illness that will require lifelong monitoring and care.

Improved evaluation of community-level prevention has enhanced researchers’ understanding of environmental and social factors that contribute to the initiation and abuse of alcohol and illicit drugs, leading to a more sophisticated understanding of how to implement evidence-based strategies in specific social and cultural settings.

A stronger emphasis on evaluation has expanded evidence-based practices for drug and alcohol treatment. Improvements have focused on the development of better clinical interventions through research and increasing the skills and qualifications of treatment providers.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Related Age-Adjusted Mortality

Cirrhosis/Liver Disease.Heavy alcohol use contributes to a significant share of liver disease, including cirrhosis. The following chart outlines age-adjusted mortality for cirrhosis/liver disease in the area.

Drug-Induced Deaths. Drug-induced deaths include all deaths for which drugs are the underlying cause, including those attributable to acute poisoning by drugs (drug overdoses) and deaths from medical conditions resulting from chronic drug use (e.g., drug-induced Cushing's syndrome). A “drug” includes illicit or street drugs (e.g., heroin and cocaine), as well as legal prescription and over-the-counter drugs; alcohol is not included. These deaths may also be either intentional (e.g., suicide) or unintentional (accidental). The following chart outlines local age-adjusted mortality for drug-induced deaths.
- Note the corresponding Healthy People 2020 targets.

**Cirrhosis/Liver Disease: Age-Adjusted Mortality**
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 8.2 or Lower*

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<td>8.3</td>
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**Sources:**
- CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

**Notes:**
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.

**Drug-Induced Deaths: Age-Adjusted Mortality**
(2011-2013 Annual Average Deaths per 100,000 Population)

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 11.3 or Lower*

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**Sources:**
- CDC WONDER Online Query System. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemiology Program Office, Division of Public Health Surveillance and Informatics. Data extracted August 2015.

**Notes:**
- Deaths are coded using the Tenth Revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10).
- Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population.
Prevalence of Liver Disease

“Would you please tell me if you have ever suffered from or been diagnosed with liver disease?”

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<td>MCHC Region</td>
<td>1.6%</td>
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Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 301]
Notes: Asked of all respondents.

Alcohol Use

Current Drinkers. “Current drinkers” include survey respondents who had at least one drink of alcohol in the month preceding the interview. For the purposes of this study, a “drink” is considered one can or bottle of beer, one glass of wine, one can or bottle of wine cooler, one cocktail, or one shot of liquor.

“During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of any alcoholic beverage such as beer, wine, a malt beverage, or liquor?”

Binge Drinkers. Binge drinking reflects the number of persons aged 18 years and over who drank 5 or more drinks during a single occasion (for men) or 4 or more drinks during a single occasion (for women) during the past 30 days.

“On the day(s) when you drank, about how many drinks did you have on the average?”

“Considering all types of alcoholic beverages, how many times during the past 30 days did you have 5 (if male)/4 (if female) or more drinks on an occasion?”
### Current Drinkers

**Healthy People 2020 Target** = 24.4% or Lower

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**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
- Current drinkers had at least one alcoholic drink in the past month.

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### Binge Drinkers

**Healthy People 2020 Target** = 24.4% or Lower

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**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
- Binge drinkers are defined as men having 5+ alcoholic drinks on any one occasion or women consuming 4+ drinks on any one occasion.
**Binge Drinkers**
(Total Service Area, 2015)

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 24.4% or Lower**

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 162]

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
- Binge drinkers are defined as men having 5+ alcoholic drinks on any one occasion or women consuming 4+ drinks on any one occasion.

**Drinking & Driving.** As a self-reported measure – and because this indicator reflects potentially illegal behavior – it is reasonable to expect that it might be underreported, and that the actual incidence of drinking and driving in the community is likely higher.

“During the past 30 days, how many times have you driven when you’ve had perhaps too much to drink?”

**Have Driven in the Past Month**
After Perhaps Having Too Much to Drink

Total Service Area

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 65]

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
Illicit Drug Use
“During the past 30 days, have you used an illegal drug or taken a prescription drug that was not prescribed to you?”

Illicit Drug Use in the Past Month
Healthy People 2020 Target = 7.1% or Lower

Sources:  
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 66]  
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.  

Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.

Alcohol & Drug Treatment
“Have you ever sought professional help for an alcohol or drug-related problem?”

Have Ever Sought Professional Help for an Alcohol/Drug-Related Problem

Sources:  
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 67]  
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.
Key Informant Input: Substance Abuse

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Substance Abuse as a problem in the community:

### Perceptions of Substance Abuse

#### as a Problem in the Community

(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

#### Barriers to Treatment

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” the greatest barriers to accessing substance abuse treatment are viewed as:

**Contributing Factors**

- **Shame, the cost (lack of insurance) and the strength of the addiction itself.** – Community/Business Leader
- **The greatest barriers that prevent people from accessing needed substance abuse treatment start with realizing that they are abusing alcohol and drugs. Many use socially and others self-medicate to mask stress/anxiety. It is difficult to admit a problem and even more difficult to ask for help.** – Community/Business Leader
- **Lack of desire to quit, limited availability of space in the local programs, easy availability of drugs in the community.** – Physician
- **Lack of economic and other social resources from early childhood on.** – Other Health Provider

**Access to Care**

- **Access similar to mental health services remains a problem as oftentimes substance abuse and mental health services are offered in tandem. They are difficult to locate, difficult to get an appointment, and are not always covered by Medicaid.** – Social Service Representative
- **Access to care, the nature of the disorder, denial.** – Social Service Representative
- **Insurance and availability of beds in programs.** – Other Health Provider
- **Lack of access to affordable and effective treatment programs, stigma, denial, lack of social/family support, and poor management by health care providers.** – Public Health Expert
- **Lack of services, especially for persons who are dually diagnosed with mental health and substance abuse issues.** – Community/Business Leader
- **Knowing where to go, knowing/accepting the fact that they need help, cost issues, transportation issues.** – Public Health Expert
- **Access to outpatient facilities and emotionally not ready.** – Public Health Expert
- **Substance abuse treatment is very hard to access in our community. The level of care that the **
patient needs is not available and patients do not know how to access the treatments. We don’t have the infrastructure to treat the number of people that are struggling with this. – Social Service Representative

Lack of resources to provide treatment. Gap in education about treatment so it’s hard to get people convinced to go and then hard to get them in if they want to go. – Social Service Representative

Lack of Resources

Lack of funding for treatment in spite of health insurance status, but particularly for Medicaid/uninsured individuals. – Public Health Expert

Few resources for the uninsured, especially when inpatient services needed for detox. – Social Service Representative

The greatest barriers I see day to day in accessing substance abuse treatment are lack of substance abuse treatment centers in the northwest suburbs, lack of transportation and lack of funds or insurance coverage to pay for said treatment. – Other Health Provider

Not sure where to go. – Social Service Representative

Denial

The barriers are self-imposed, they are there and available but family denial is the barrier. Family members need to pay close attention to one another and if a problem seems to develop address it. – Community/Business Leader

Denial that they have a problem, worries that they will be ineligible for certain jobs if it is known that they have a substance abuse history. Peer pressure to continue abusing, lack of knowledge of available resources or where they can go for help, lack of sufficient insurance to cover care. – Other Health Provider

Identification of this problem in the population that interfaces with medical care. – Other Health Provider

Easy Access to Drugs

Easy access to cheap illegal drugs, heroin in particular. – Community/Business Leader

Anyone can see drug sales being made at any time of day on any given corner. – Community/Business Leader

Statistics

This is not my area of expertise but what I know is illicit drug use is higher among white teenagers than African Americans or Latinos. Minority teenagers are more often arrested and charged with drug crimes, 95 percent of the youths before both juvenile and adult criminal court judges in Cook County in 1998 were African American or Latino. – Other Health Provider

Addiction

They don’t recognize they have a problem and it is difficult to move beyond an addiction. The ripple effect is devastating. – Community/Business Leader

Prevalence/Incidence

Increasing rates of opioid use/abuse in Chicago. – Public Health Expert
Most Problematic Substances

Key informants (who rated this as a “major problem”) were further asked to identify what they view as the most problematic substances abused in the community.

### Most Problematic Substances Abused in the Community

(Among Key Informants Rating Substance Abuse as a "Major Problem," 2015)

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<th>Substance</th>
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<td>Heroin or Other Opioids</td>
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<td>Cocaine or Crack</td>
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<td>22.7%</td>
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<td>4.3%</td>
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<td>15</td>
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<td>11.4%</td>
<td>16.3%</td>
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<td>Over-the-Counter Medications</td>
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<td>Club Drugs (e.g. MDMA, GHB, Ecstasy, Molly)</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
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<td>Hallucinogens or Dissociative Drugs (e.g. Ketamine, PCP, LSD, DXM)</td>
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<td>Steroids</td>
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<td>Synthetic Drugs (e.g. Bath Salts, K2/Spice)</td>
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Tobacco Use

**About Tobacco Use**

Tobacco use is the single most preventable cause of death and disease in the United States. Scientific knowledge about the health effects of tobacco use has increased greatly since the first Surgeon General’s report on tobacco was released in 1964.

Tobacco use causes:
- Cancer
- Heart disease
- Lung diseases (including emphysema, bronchitis, and chronic airway obstruction)
- Premature birth, low birth weight, stillbirth, and infant death

There is no risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke. Secondhand smoke causes heart disease and lung cancer in adults and a number of health problems in infants and children, including: severe asthma attacks; respiratory infections; ear infections; and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

Smokeless tobacco causes a number of serious oral health problems, including cancer of the mouth and gums, periodontitis, and tooth loss. Cigar use causes cancer of the larynx, mouth, esophagus, and lung.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

**Cigarette Smoking**

*“Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?”*

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target.

**Current Smokers**

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 12.0% or Lower*

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**Sources:**
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Item 156)
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
- Includes regular and occasional smokers (those who smoke cigarettes everyday or on some days).
**Current Smokers**
(Total Service Area, 2015)

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 12.0% or Lower**

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<th>Category</th>
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<th>65+</th>
<th>Very Low Income</th>
<th>Low Income</th>
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<td>Current Smokers</td>
<td>17.8%</td>
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**Notes:**
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- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
- Includes regular and occasion smokers (everyday and some days).

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**Smoking Cessation**

**About Reducing Tobacco Use**

Preventing tobacco use and helping tobacco users quit can improve the health and quality of life for Americans of all ages. People who stop smoking greatly reduce their risk of disease and premature death. Benefits are greater for people who stop at earlier ages, but quitting tobacco use is beneficial at any age.

Many factors influence tobacco use, disease, and mortality. Risk factors include race/ethnicity, age, education, and socioeconomic status. Significant disparities in tobacco use exist geographically; such disparities typically result from differences among states in smoke-free protections, tobacco prices, and program funding for tobacco prevention.

Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

“**In the past 12 months, has a doctor, nurse or other health professional advised you to quit smoking?**”
(Asked of respondents who smoke every day or on some days.)

“**During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for one day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?**”
(Asked of respondents who smoke every day.)
Advised by a Healthcare Professional in the Past Year to Quit Smoking
(Among Current Smokers)

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 58]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of all current smokers.

Have Stopped Smoking for One Day or Longer in the Past Year in an Attempt to Quit Smoking
(Among Everyday Smokers)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 80.0% or Higher

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 57]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of respondents who smoke cigarettes every day.
Secondhand Smoke

“In the past 30 days, has anyone, including yourself, smoked cigarettes, cigars or pipes anywhere in your home on an average of four or more days per week?”

The following chart details these responses among the total sample of respondents, as well as among only non-smokers.

### Member of Household Smokes at Home

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Non-smokers exposed to smoke in the home: 4.7% (US = 6.3%)

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Items 59, 158)

Notes:
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.
- Asked of all respondents.
- “Smokes at home” refers to someone smoking cigarettes, cigars, or a pipe in the home an average of four or more times per week in the past month.

### Member of Household Smokes At Home

(Total Service Area, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Item 59)

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- “Smokes at home” refers to someone smoking cigarettes, cigars, or a pipe in the home an average of four or more times per week in the past month.
Other Tobacco Use

“Do you currently use chewing tobacco, snuff, or snus every day, some days, or not at all?”

“Do you now smoke cigars every day, some days, or not at all?”

### Use of Cigars

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 0.2% or Lower**

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**Total Service Area**

2009: 2.0%
2012: 2.7%
2015: 2.4%

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.

### Use of Smokeless Tobacco

**Healthy People 2020 Target = 0.3% or Lower**

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**Total Service Area**

2009: 4.2%
2012: 1.0%
2015: 2.0%

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
- Smokeless tobacco includes chewing tobacco or snuff.
Key Informant Input: Tobacco Use

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Tobacco Use as a problem in the community:

Perceptions of Tobacco Use as a Problem in the Community
(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

Top Concerns

Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

Tobacco Use

- Majority of populations seen are smokers. – Other Health Provider
- Consistently higher than national rates of tobacco use among Chicagoans, youth included. – Public Health Expert
- Although tobacco use is down, too many teens start smoking each year. – Social Service Representative
- There has always been underage smoking, but the proliferation of e-cigarettes and vapor smoking has made tobacco seem less dangerous, although the addiction factor is just as strong, if not stronger. – Community/Business Leader
- When I work with youth and ask them what percentage of adults they think use tobacco, I often hear 95 percent or 100 percent. – Social Service Representative
- Lots of smokers in Antioch along with alcohol use. – Community/Business Leader
- Too many young people smoking again. Chewing tobacco. – Social Service Representative
- Almost all of the patients are either smokers, live with a smoker or were smokers. Many mental health patients are given “the patch” while in inpatient at our mental health unit. However, once they leave, these patients lack support in stopping use. – Other Health Provider
- Cigarette smoking is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the United States, accounting for more than one of every five deaths. – Other Health Provider
- I see people of all ages, even under 18, smoking cigarettes. They are available in the corner stores, liquor store and even the Family Dollar. – Community/Business Leader

Co-occurrences

- Substance addiction. – Social Service Representative

Lifestyle

- Living with low income can cause high levels of stress, which is a barrier to adopting healthy lifestyles. – Other Health Provider
Access to Health Services

Lack of Health Insurance Coverage (Age 18 to 64)

Survey respondents were asked a series of questions to determine their healthcare insurance coverage, if any, from either private or government-sponsored sources. Here, lack of health insurance coverage reflects respondents age 18 to 64 (thus excluding the Medicare population) who have no type of insurance coverage for healthcare services – neither private insurance nor government-sponsored plans (e.g., Medicaid).

“Do you have any government-assisted healthcare coverage, such as Medicare, Medicaid (or another state-sponsored program), or VA/military benefits?”

“Do you currently have: health insurance you get through your own or someone else’s employer or union; health insurance you purchase yourself; or, you do not have health insurance and pay for healthcare entirely on your own?”

Lack of Healthcare Insurance Coverage
(Among Adults Age 18-64)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 0.0% (Universal Coverage)

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Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 165]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents under the age of 65.
Lack of Healthcare Insurance Coverage
(Among Adults Age 18-64; Total Service Area, 2015)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 0.0% (Universal Coverage)

Among insured respondents only: “During the past 12 months, did you have health insurance coverage ALL of the time, or was there a time in the year when you did NOT have any health coverage?”

Went Without Healthcare Insurance Coverage At Some Point in the Past Year
(Among Insured Adults; Total Service Area, 2015)
Difficulties Accessing Healthcare

About Access to Healthcare

Access to comprehensive, quality health care services is important for the achievement of health equity and for increasing the quality of a healthy life for everyone. It impacts: overall physical, social, and mental health status; prevention of disease and disability; detection and treatment of health conditions; quality of life; preventable death; and life expectancy.

Access to health services means the timely use of personal health services to achieve the best health outcomes. It requires three distinct steps: 1) Gaining entry into the health care system; 2) Accessing a health care location where needed services are provided; and 3) Finding a health care provider with whom the patient can communicate and trust.

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Barriers to Healthcare Access

To better understand healthcare access barriers, survey participants were asked whether any of the following barriers to access prevented them from seeing a physician or obtaining a needed prescription in the past year.

“Was there a time in the past 12 months when…

- … you needed medical care, but had difficulty finding a doctor?”
- … you had difficulty getting an appointment to see a doctor?”
- … you needed to see a doctor, but could not because of the cost?”
- … a lack of transportation made it difficult or prevented you from seeing a doctor or making a medical appointment?”
- … you were not able to see a doctor because the office hours were not convenient?”
- … you needed a prescription medicine, but did not get it because you could not afford it?”

The percentages shown in the following chart reflect the total population, regardless of whether medical care was needed or sought.

Barriers to Access Have Prevented Medical Care in the Past Year

Sources: 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Items 7-12]

Notes: Asked of all respondents.
The following chart reflects the composite percentage of the total population experiencing problems accessing healthcare in the past year (indicating one or more of the aforementioned barriers or any other problem not specifically asked), again regardless of whether they needed or sought care.

**Experienced Difficulties or Delays of Some Kind in Receiving Needed Healthcare in the Past Year**

(Total Service Area, 2015)

- **Men**: 30.4%, Women: 37.6%, 18 to 39: 40.8%, 40 to 64: 33.6%, 65+: 22.4%, Very Low Income: 48.6%, Low Income: 48.8%, Mid/High Income: 31.0%, White: 31.0%, Black: 46.5%, Hispanic: 44.1%, Overall: 34.2%

**Notes:**
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 169]
- Asked of all respondents.
- Represents the percentage of respondents experiencing one or more barriers to accessing healthcare in the past 12 months.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.

**Prescriptions**

“*Was there a time in the past 12 months when you skipped doses or took smaller doses in order to make your prescriptions last longer and save costs?”*
Skipped or Reduced Prescription Doses in Order to Stretch Prescriptions and Save Money
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Accessing Healthcare for Children
Surveyed parents were also asked if, within the past year, they experienced any trouble receiving medical care for a randomly-selected child in their household.

“Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed medical care for this child, but could not get it?”

Had Trouble Obtaining Medical Care for Child in the Past Year
(Among Parents of Children 0-17)
Key Informant Input: Access to Healthcare Services

The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Access to Healthcare Services as a problem in the community:

### Perceptions of Access to Healthcare Services as a Problem in the Community

(Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

Top Concerns

Among those rating access to healthcare as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

**Affordable Care**

- For the uninsured, especially undocumented individuals, lack of affordable health care. Hours of operation of health care providers not convenient for population served. Health literacy and patients not having access to providers who speak their language. – Public Health Expert
- Affordability of preventative care. – Social Service Representative
- There are not many walk-in/outpatient clinics that accept public aid or are low cost. While we try to keep people out of the Emergency Room, many people who cannot afford the out of pocket expense will go to the ER because many community clinics do not accept public aid. – Other Health Provider
- Not so much a health issue, but healthcare for the self-pay and/or undocumented patients that are very ill and placement after the hospitalization. – Social Service Representative
- Affordability of services. Undocumented and recent residents are excluded from ACA. Many people with ACA or other insurance have high deductible and expensive plans, effectively preventing them from using them. Exorbitant health care fees and lack of transparency in how health care costs are determined. Poverty. Racism. Transphobia. – Public Health Expert
- The biggest challenge is finding a doctor who accepts Medicaid. The new DHS system for managed care was supposed to help with this issue, but according to the feedback we receive from residents, it has not. – Social Service Representative
- No appointments for patients that are self-pay or have Medicaid. – Social Service Representative
- Copays and deductibles can be a burden for low income people, even if insured. Undocumented residents to not have access to ACA benefits. – Other Health Provider

**Lack of Resources**

- I am not sure if the community is aware of their medical options and also there are not many FQHC’s in the area. There exist mostly store front clinics who offer questionable care. – Community/Business Leader
- Few providers willing to serve uninsured and Medicaid patients, limited access to a variety of...
specialists, including mental health, limited transportation options, limited language and cultural competencies. – Community/Business Leader

Physician shortage, no viable insurance options available for new or less than five year immigrants, care that is expensive and thus unattainable, transportation issues related to doctor visits or follow up appointments. – Social Service Representative

As a provider of both mental health care and substance addiction counseling and treatment, the biggest challenge related to access is the acknowledgement of illness and the support of the individual in the community. Our participants are limited by transportation and that has been addressed through the distribution of bus passes (although this remains a challenge in terms of cost, since the expense is not reimbursed). Our participants are also denied access through the multifactorial domains of homelessness and unemployment. Again, these issues are addressed (but not solved) through strategic partnerships with other community-based organizations and our own service provision of residential treatment and transitional housing. And so, the stigma of mental illness and the co-occurrence of substance use disorders remains a restriction on access to care. – Social Service Representative

Access to Care

People who are ineligible for ACA care (undocumented) need services. Access to DuPage is a critical lifeline for them. People who are in Medicaid managed care are often confused about how to use their benefits. People on high deductible ACA plans really can't afford to get care and are 'functionally uninsured.' – Social Service Representative

The services might be there, but people do not know how to access them. People are unaware of where they can receive healthcare, reduced cost prescriptions and specialists. – Social Service Representative

Understanding the transition of Medicaid to managed care plans, high deductible marketplace plans requiring a significant investment of out of pocket costs, and access to specialty health services, vision, dental, hearing, mental health/substance abuse for safety net (Medicaid, uninsured and underinsured populations). – Public Health Expert

Nonclinical Factors

There is a growing awareness of the nonclinical factors that influence (positively or negatively) health status and health needs, housing, education/literacy levels, employment status, etc. We are working to address those through our work with IMPACT DuPage. – Public Health Expert

Preventive Care

The vast amount of our health dollars go to illness, not health. There is little interest in the healthcare community to create a culture of health (RWJF). To do so would be the greatest contribution to the health of all the residents in Lake County by healthcare providers and institutions. – Public Health Expert

Type of Care Most Difficult to Access

Key informants (who rated this as a “major problem”) were further asked to identify they type of care they perceive as the most difficult to access in the community.
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Primary Care Services

About Primary Care

Improving health care services depends in part on ensuring that people have a usual and ongoing source of care. People with a usual source of care have better health outcomes and fewer disparities and costs. Having a primary care provider (PCP) as the usual source of care is especially important. PCPs can develop meaningful and sustained relationships with patients and provide integrated services while practicing in the context of family and community. Having a usual PCP is associated with:

- Greater patient trust in the provider
- Good patient-provider communication
- Increased likelihood that patients will receive appropriate care

Improving health care services includes increasing access to and use of evidence-based preventive services. Clinical preventive services are services that: prevent illness by detecting early warning signs or symptoms before they develop into a disease (primary prevention); or detect a disease at an earlier, and often more treatable, stage (secondary prevention).

- Healthy People 2020 (www.healthypeople.gov)

Access to Primary Care

This indicator is relevant because a shortage of health professionals contributes to access and health status issues.

Access to Primary Care
(Number of Primary Care Physicians per 100,000 Population, 2012)

Sources: US Department of Health & Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Area Health Resource File: 2012.


Notes: This indicator is relevant because a shortage of health professionals contributes to access and health status issues.
Specific Source of Ongoing Care

Having a specific source of ongoing care includes having a doctor’s office, clinic, urgent care center, walk-in clinic, health center facility, hospital outpatient clinic, HMO or prepaid group, military/VA clinic, or some other kind of place to go if one is sick or needs advice about his or her health. This resource is crucial to the concept of “patient-centered medical homes” (PCMH).

“Is there a particular place that you usually go to if you are sick or need advice about your health?”

“What kind of place is it: a medical clinic, an urgent care center/walk-in clinic, a doctor’s office, a hospital emergency room, military or other VA healthcare, or some other place?”

The following chart illustrates the proportion of the Total Service Area population with a specific source of ongoing medical care. Note that a hospital emergency room is not considered a specific source of ongoing care in this instance.

- Note the Healthy People 2020 objectives.

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<td>Healthy People 2020 Target = 95.0% or Higher [All Ages]; ≥89.4% [18-64]; 100% [65+]</td>
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Sources:  
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Items 166-168]  
Notes:  
- Asked of all respondents.  
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).  
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Utilization of Primary Care Services

Adults: “A routine checkup is a general physical exam, not an exam for a specific injury, illness or condition. About how long has it been since you last visited a doctor for a routine checkup?”

Children: “About how long has it been since this child visited a doctor for a routine checkup or general physical exam, not counting visits for a specific injury, illness, or condition?”

Have Visited a Physician for a Checkup in the Past Year

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 17]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.

Have Visited a Physician for a Checkup in the Past Year
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 17]
- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
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Child Has Visited a Physician for a Routine Checkup in the Past Year (Among Parents of Children 0-17)

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (Item 113)

Notes: Asked of all respondents with children 0 to 17 in the household.

- Ages 0-4: 98.7%
- Ages 5-12: 78.6%
- Ages 13-17: 95.8%
Emergency Room Utilization

“In the past 12 months, how many times have you gone to a hospital emergency room about your own health? This includes ER visits that resulted in a hospital admission.” (Responses below reflect the percentage with two or more visits in the past year.)

### Have Used a Hospital Emergency Room More Than Once in the Past Year

(Total Service Area, 2015)

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<td>Mid/High Income</td>
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<td>White</td>
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<td>Black</td>
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<td>Hispanic</td>
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<td>Overall</td>
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**Sources:**
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 23]

**Notes:**
- Asked of all respondents.
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Oral Health

**About Oral Health**

Oral health is essential to overall health. Good oral health improves a person’s ability to speak, smile, smell, taste, touch, chew, swallow, and make facial expressions to show feelings and emotions. However, oral diseases, from cavities to oral cancer, cause pain and disability for many Americans. Good self-care, such as brushing with fluoride toothpaste, daily flossing, and professional treatment, is key to good oral health. Health behaviors that can lead to poor oral health include: **tobacco use**; **excessive alcohol use**; and **poor dietary choices**.

The significant improvement in the oral health of Americans over the past 50 years is a public health success story. Most of the gains are a result of effective prevention and treatment efforts. One major success is community water fluoridation, which now benefits about 7 out of 10 Americans who get water through public water systems. However, some Americans do not have access to preventive programs. People who have the least access to preventive services and dental treatment have greater rates of oral diseases. A person’s ability to access oral healthcare is associated with factors such as education level, income, race, and ethnicity.

Barriers that can limit a person’s use of preventive interventions and treatments include: limited access to and availability of dental services; lack of awareness of the need for care; cost; and fear of dental procedures.

There are also social determinants that affect oral health. In general, people with lower levels of education and income, and people from specific racial/ethnic groups, have higher rates of disease. People with disabilities and other health conditions, like diabetes, are more likely to have poor oral health.

Potential strategies to address these issues include:

- Implementing and evaluating activities that have an impact on health behavior.
- Promoting interventions to reduce tooth decay, such as dental sealants and fluoride use.
- Evaluating and improving methods of monitoring oral diseases and conditions.
- Increasing the capacity of State dental health programs to provide preventive oral health services.
- Increasing the number of community health centers with an oral health component.

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**Dental Care**

**Adults:** “*About how long has it been since you last visited a dentist or a dental clinic for any reason?*”

**Children Age 2-17:** “*About how long has it been since this child visited a dentist or dental clinic?*”

- Note the Healthy People 2020 target.
Have Visited a Dentist or Dental Clinic Within the Past Year
Healthy People 2020 Target = 49.0% or Higher

Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 21]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.

Have Visited a Dentist or Dental Clinic Within the Past Year
(Total Service Area, 2015)
Healthy People 2020 Target = 49.0% or Higher

Sources:
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 21]

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
- Income categories reflect respondent’s household income as a ratio to the federal poverty level (FPL) for their household size. “Very Low Income” includes households living with defined poverty status; “Low Income” includes households with incomes just above the FPL, earning up to twice the poverty threshold; “Mid/High Income” includes households with incomes at 200% or more of the federal poverty level.
**Child Has Visited a Dentist or Dental Clinic Within the Past Year**
(Among Parents of Children Age 2-17)

*Healthy People 2020 Target = 49.0% or Higher*

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 116]

2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.


Notes: Asked of all respondents with children age 2 through 17.

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**Dental Insurance**

*“Do you currently have any health insurance coverage that pays for at least part of your dental care?”*

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Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 22]

2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of all respondents.
Key Informant Input: Oral Health
The following chart outlines key informants’ perceptions of the severity of Oral Health as a problem in the community:

### Perceptions of Oral Health as a Problem in the Community (Key Informants, 2015)

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Sources: 2015 PRC Online Key Informant Survey.

### Top Concerns
Among those rating this issue as a “major problem,” reasons frequently related to the following:

### Access to Care

- **Access to affordable care.** – Social Service Representative
- **It’s too expensive! Low priority until pain erupts.** – Social Service Representative
- **Inadequate access to dental care for people with Medicaid.** – Physician
- **Expensive.** – Social Service Representative
- **Dental care is expensive and not usually covered by insurance plans. Medicaid coverage is very limited.** – Social Service Representative
- **Access to dental care, especially in areas of poverty and lack of access to affordable care.** – Other Health Provider
- **Oral care in most newly arrived Latino immigrants is lacking greatly. Oral care is seen as a luxury. Education is lacking and/or costly for patients. This is especially true for the adults. While children can afford to see a dentist given Illinois’ Medicaid coverage, adults are not covered most of the time.** – Other Health Provider
- **Few to no services available that are affordable for people paying out of pocket. Usually excluded from health insurance plans.** – Public Health Expert
- **Great number of underserved without access to care.** – Community/Business Leader
- **Oral disease remains pervasive among families with lower incomes or less education, the frail elderly, those with disabilities.** – Other Health Provider
- **Lack of access to health professionals providing affordable care and lack of public insurance coverage.** – Other Health Provider
- **Access to care.** – Social Service Representative
- **Limited coverage under Medicaid for adult dental concerns and very few providers. For those with high deductibles, lack of access/care for adults/children.** – Public Health Expert
Lack of access for those with limited financial means and/or those without insurance. – Social Service Representative

Lack of access to oral care. – Public Health Expert

Lack of Providers

Very few providers in the area. – Community/Business Leader

There is no dental provider in this area. – Community/Business Leader
Vision Care

“When was the last time you had an eye exam in which the pupils were dilated? This would have made you temporarily sensitive to bright light.” (Responses in the following chart represent those with an eye exam within the past 2 years.)

See also Vision & Hearing in the Death, Disease & Chronic Conditions section of this report.

Had an Eye Exam in the Past Two Years During Which the Pupils Were Dilated

Sources: PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 20]
2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.

Notes: Asked of all respondents.
Local Healthcare

Perceptions of Local Healthcare Services

“How would you rate the overall health care services available to you? Would you say: excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?” (Combined “fair/poor” responses are outlined in the following chart.)

Perceive Local Healthcare Services as “Fair/Poor”
(Total Service Area, 2015)

Healthcare Information Sources

“Where do you get most of your healthcare information?”

Primary Source of Healthcare Information
(Total Service Area, 2015)
Attendance at Health Promotion Events

“In the past 12 months, have you participated in any organized health promotion activities, such as health fairs, health screenings, or seminars, either through your work, hospital, or community organizations?”

Participated in a Health Promotion Activity in the Past Year

![Graph showing the percentage of respondents who participated in health promotion activities in the past year by region and year.]

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Participated in a Health Promotion Activity in the Past Year (Total Service Area, 2015)

![Graph showing the percentage of respondents who participated in health promotion activities in the past year by demographic group.]

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Sources:
- PRC Community Health Surveys, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Items 311-312]
- 2013 PRC National Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc.
- 2015 PRC Community Health Survey, Professional Research Consultants, Inc. [Item 311]

Notes:
- Asked of all respondents.
- 58.2% of those participating report that this was sponsored by an employer.
- Hispanics can be of any race. Other race categories are non-Hispanic categorizations (e.g., “White” reflects non-Hispanic White respondents).
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Resources Available to Address the Significant Health Needs
The following represent potential measures and resources (such as programs, organizations, and facilities in the community) available to address the significant health needs identified in this report. This list is not exhaustive but rather outlines those resources identified in the course of conducting this Community Health Needs Assessment.

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| Safety Net Mental Health Services |
| Saint Anthony Hospital Community Wellness Program |
| Streamwood Clinic |
| TASC |
| Vista Health Center of Cook County |
| West Humboldt Park Development Council |
| West Suburban Hospital |
| Westside Health Authority |
| Zion Benton Children's Service |

### Arthritis, Osteoporosis & Chronic Back Conditions

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Northwest Community Healthcare
Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital
OB/GYN
Outpatient Infusion Clinics
Palliative Care
PCC Community Wellness Center
Rush University Medical Center
Skin Care
University of Chicago Medical Center
Volunteer Health Associations

Emergency Room
Friendship Village
Geriatric Care
Group Homes
Home Health
Hospital
Local Care Giving Agency
Metropolitan Family Services
Nursing Homes
Primary Care Providers
Respite
Senior Services through DuPage County
Silverado Naperville
Skilled Nursing Facilities
Social Services
Spring Meadows Naperville
Sunrise of Naperville
The Greater Illinois Chapter of Alzheimer’s Association
West Suburban Hospital

Chronic Kidney Disease
Affordable Care Act
American Kidney Foundation
Individual Dialysis Clinic
Local Health Departments
Major Academic Medical Centers
National Kidney Fund of Illinois
Pace Bus
Taxi

Diabetes
Access Community Health Network
Addison Park District Centennial Fitness Center
Affordable Care Act Extending Coverage
Alexian Brothers Hospital
American Cancer Society
Antioch Area Healthcare Accessibility Alliance
Arlington Senior Center
Aunt Martha’s
Be Well
Chicago Food Depository
Chicago Park District
CLOCC
Community Care Connection
Community Health Worker Program

Dementias, Including Alzheimer’s Disease
Alden Courts of Waterford
Alexian Brothers Senior Assisted Living
Alzheimer’s Center
Catholic Charities
Cook County Health Systems
Department of Aging
CRC Health and Wellness
CVS Minute Clinics
Diabetes Care Services
Diabetes Educators
Doctor’s Office
DuPage County Health Department
DuPage PADS
Education Explaining the Health Benefits of Nature
Edward–Elmhurst Hospital
Elmhurst Memorial Hospital
Erie Family Health
Erie Health Reach Waukegan Health Center
Esperanza Health Center
FQHCs
Growing Movement in Community Gardening
Gyms
Health Fairs
Home Care
Hospital-based Classes
Lake County Health Department
Local Health Department
Loyola Center for Health
Major Academic Medical Centers
Mano a Mano Diabetes Program
Mercy Hospital
Miles Square Health Center
Mount Sinai Hospital
NCH Community Health Workers
NCH Community Nursing
NCH Diabetes Services and Education
NCH Emerald Circle Program
NCH Promotores de Salud Program
NCH Wellness Center
Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Norwegian American Hospital

Pilot Produce Stands
Programs through Cook County
Primary Care Providers
Rosalind Franklin Care Van
Rush University Medical Center
Saint Anthony Hospital
University of Chicago Medical Center
Vista
Walgreens
Walking Paths in Forest Preserves
Wound Clinics

Family Planning
Affirming Sex Education Providers
Alivio Medical Center
Anchor Health Services
CDPH
CRC
DHS Office
Doctor’s Office
Family Planning Curriculums Taught in Churches
FQHCs
General Practitioners
Midwest Access Project
Monticello Medical Clinic
Near North Health Service
New Moms
PHD
Planned Parenthood
Primary Care Providers
Regional Office of Education
Teen Parent Connection
Vista
Westside Health Authority
WIC
Hearing & Vision
- Illinois College of Optometry

Heart Disease & Stroke
- Advocate Condell Medical Center
- American Heart Association
- Area FQHCs
- CLOCC
- Community Health Screenings
- Competent Cardiologists
- Edward–Elmhurst Hospital
- Erie Health Center
- Exercise and Rehab Facilities
- Health Fairs
- Healthy Chicago Healthy Hearts Campaign
- Heart Failure Programs to Prevent Remission
- Hospitals
- Keep Your Heart Healthy
- Lake County Health Department
- Local Health Departments
- Loyola Center for Health
- Major Academic Medical Centers
- Northwestern/Lake Forest Hospital
- Nutrition Education Programs
- Parks and Other Facilities for Exercise Physicians
- Rush Medical Center
- School-based Nutrition Programs
- Specialists
- Spend Time Outdoors
- STEMI and Stroke Centers
- Tobacco Cessation Program at Lake County Health Department
- Trained EMS
- University of Chicago Medical Center
- Vista Hospital

HIV/AIDS
- AFC
- Affordable Care Act
- Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse Programs
- Behive/HIVco
- CDPH HIV Bureau
- Health Department
- Healthcare Alternative Systems
- Heartland Alliance
- Howard Brown
- Norwegian American Hospital
- Ruth M. Rothstein CORE Center
- Sinai Health System
- The AIDS Foundation of Chicago
- Vida/SIDA, Puerto Rican Cultural Center

Immunization & Infectious Diseases
- Access Community Health Network
- Area FQHCs
- Chicago Monticello Medical Center
- Erie Family Health Center
- Health Department
- In-store Clinics
- Mile Square Health Center
- Near North Health
- Norwegian American Hospital
- Pharmacists
- Primary Care Physicians
- Sinai Health System

Infant & Child Health
- Access Community Health Network
- Affordable Care Act Extending Coverage
- CDPH MCH Program
- CDPH/CPS Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program
- CRC
- Early Intervention at Lake County Health
Department

EverThrive Illinois
Family Case Management at Lake County Health Dept
Federally Qualified Health Centers
Growing Network of Community Health Workers
Healthcare Alternative Systems
Lake County Health Department SASS Program
Mile Square Health Center
New Moms
Norwegian American Hospital
Nurse Family Partnerships at Lake County Health Dept
Planned Parenthood
Sinai Children’s Hospital
Vista
WIC

**Mental Health**

360 Youth Services
A Safe Haven Foundation
Access Community Health Network
Adolescent and Adult Mental Health Facility
Adventist Institute for Behavioral Medicine
Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital
Alexian Center for Mental Health
Antioch Community Counseling Services
Arden Shore Child and Family Services
Association House of Chicago
Behavior Health Programs at FQHCs
Behavioral Health Services at Lake County Health Dept
Chicago for Homeless
Church
Community Counseling Centers of Chicago

Chicago-C4
Community Youth Network
CRC
Detox/Rehab Facilities
DuPage County Health Department
DuPage County Behavioral Health Treatment
Edward Hospital
Edward–Elmhurst Hospital
Engage DuPage Program that Facilitates Linkage
Eckert Center
Erin Family Health Center
Gateway Foundation
Haymarket
Healthcare Alternative Services
Heartland Alliance
Heartland International Health Center
Hospitals
Howard Brown Health Center
HRDI
Illinois Children’s Healthcare Foundation
Independence Center
Inpatient Adolescent Psychiatric Unit
Inpatient Adult Psychiatric Unit
Jail
Jocelyn Center
Kenneth Young Center
Lake County Courts
Lake County Health Department
Law Enforcement
Linden Oaks
Low-cost Counseling Programs
Lutheran Social Services
Mental Health First Aid
Mental Health of America – Illinois
Metropolitan Family Health
Mt. Sinai
NAMI
NCH's Mental Health Navigator Program
NICASA
Northwest Community Hospital
Omni Youth Services
Outpatient Psychiatrists
PHD
Pilsen Wellness Center
Primary Care Physicians
Private Mental Health Resources
Psychologists & Psychiatrists Practice Through Region
Rosecrance
Rosalind Franklin University
Safety Net Nonprofit Providers
Saint Anthony Hospital's Community Wellness Programs
Salvation Army
Samaritan Interfaith
Sass Mental Health
School Counselors
School Nurses, Deans, and Social Workers
Social Work Officers in Police Departments
The Bridge
The Circle
Thresholds
Turning Point
Vista Health Center
Vista West Psychiatric Unit
Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center

Affordable and Healthy Restaurants
Alexian Brothers Medical Center
American Heart Association
Arlington Senior Services
Beaches and Playgrounds
Be Well – Lake County
Centennial Park Indoor Fitness Facility
Center for Health and DuPage County Health Department
Chicago Park District
Community Hunger Network and People's Research Center
Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children (CLOCC)
CRC Health Programs
Edward–Elmhurst Hospital
Efforts to Strengthen Prairie Path
Erie
Exercise Facilities
Forest Preserve
FORWARD Coalition
Healthcare Providers
Health Department
Health Fairs
Hospitals and Clinics
Illinois AAP
Illinois Alliance to Prevent Obesity
Kells Park
Lake County Forest Preserve
Let's Move Campaign
Library with Programs
LifeTime Fitness
Local Farmers Markets
Local Health Provider Organizations
Logan Square Neighborhood Association
Municipal Parks and Recreational Districts
Municipal Strategies to Develop and Support Health

Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight
AAHAA Walking Club
Access for Divvy Bikes
Access to Parks
Active Transportation Alliance
Addison Park District

Professional Research Consultants, Inc.
NCH Community Health Workers
Nutrition Education Providers
Nutritional Information in Restaurants
Parks
Parks with Walking Paths
Pilot Produce Market Projects
Programs at FQHCs
Schools
Telpochcalli Community Education Project
The Chicago Park District and Cook County Forest Preserve
Village Parks and Recreation Programs
Vista
Weight Watchers
Wellness Center
West Humboldt Park Development Council
Workplace Wellness
YMCA

PCC Community Wellness Center
Preferred Dentistry Associates
Private Dental Practices
Ready, Set, Smile Program
Smile Squad
Veterans Assistance Commission
Zion Benton Children's Services

Respiratory Diseases
Access Community Health Center
Affordable Care Act
American Lung Association
Cardiopulmonary Rehab at the Hospital
Chicago Stop Smoking Program
Durable Medical Equipment Companies
Erie Family Health Center
Erie Health Reach Waukegan Health Center
Health Departments
Lake County Health Department
Mano a Mano Family Resource Center
Northwest Community Hospital
Norwegian American Hospital
Primary Care Physicians
Pulmonary Physicians
Respiratory Health Association
School-based Health Center at Round Lake High School
Sinai Health System/Mount Sinai Hospital
Trained EMS

Oral Health
Access Community Health Network
Affordable Care Act
Aunt Martha’s Health Center
College of Dentistry, University of Illinois at Chicago
College of Lake County Dental Hygienist Program
DuPage County Health Department Clinic
DuPage Dental Care Connections
Erie Family Health Center
Free Dental Clinic
IFLOSS
Lake County Health Department
Local Dental Societies
Midwest University Dental Clinic
NCH Mobile Dental Clinic

Sexually Transmitted Diseases
Alcoholics Anonymous
Area Hospitals
Chicago Monticello Medical Center
Core Center
Doctors and Mental Health Professionals
Erie Health Reach Waukegan Health
Center
Federally Qualified Health Centers
Free Condoms
Health Department
Howard Brown Health Center
Lake County Health Department
Near North
Planned Parenthood, Oak Park
Primary Care Physicians
Robert Crown Center, Hinsdale
Schools
STI Clinic Lake County Health Department

Substance Abuse
901 Kirchoff Outpatient Substance Abuse Program
Alcoholics Anonymous
Alexian Brothers
Behavioral Health Services/LSSI
Behavioral Health Treatment Collaborative
Chicago Recovery Alliance
Community Outreach Intervention Projects
Edward–Elmhurst Hospital, Elmhurst
Forthcoming Adult Addictions Residential
Haymarket
Health Department
Healthcare Alternative Systems
Hospitals
Illinois DASA
Lake County Health Department
Linden Oaks
Lutheran Social Services
Nicasa
Nonprofit Safety Net Resources
Omni Youth Treatment Center
Outpatient Substance Abuse Centers
PADS
Police Department
Private Services
Project Connect
Reach for Recovery Programs
Rosecrance
School Advisors
Serenity House
Share
Substance Abuse Programs at FQHCs
TASC
Teen Challenge
The Bridge Substance Abuse Services
YouthBuild Lake County

Tobacco Use
Affordable Care Act
American Lung Association
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Edward–Elmhurst Hospital, Elmhurst
Edward–Elmhurst Hospital, Naperville
Lake County Health Department
Local Health Departments
Private Doctors
Quitline
Respiratory Health Association