2018-2020 Community Health Priorities

In November 2017, the Beyond Health Steering Committee brought together community stakeholders to review and discuss community health data.

Three health areas were chosen as the 2018-2020 Community Health Priorities. These priorities will guide the work done by public health until 2020 when the next set of priorities will be determined.

**Beyond Health** is a collaboration between Brown County Public Health, De Pere Health Department, Aurora BayCare Medical Center, Bellin Health System, Hospital Sisters Health Systems, WI Division of Public Health NE Regional Office, and Brown County United Way.

Beyond Health convenes the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and completes a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) to identify top health priorities and develop strategic plans to address them.
Task Force Updates
Every three years, key community stakeholders come together, led by Public Health, to assess data and determine the top health priorities for Brown County. Priority-related task forces then develop a strategic plan to make measurable improvements in the health priorities. In partnership with numerous community businesses and organizations, Beyond Health works to plan, implement and evaluate evidence-based practices and programs to improve health. During 2013, Beyond Health Task Force members focused on 3 health priorities in Brown County.

Mental Health Initiatives (Chair: Sharla Baenen, Bellin Health)
- Identified the Columbia suicide risk screening tool as a best practice tool to be used across community settings
- Completed an inventory of current behavioral health screening tools used across settings
- Implemented Trilogy – Network of Care in collaboration with NEW Connections
- Completed an inventory of current mental health peer support resources available in the community
- Identified educational/training programs available to those interested in providing peer support in the community

Alcohol & Drug Initiatives (Chair: Laura Hieb, Bellin Health)
- The Brown County Alcohol and Drug Coalition for Change integrated a youth focus into its priorities in 2018, including alignment of efforts with the Brown County Drug Alliance’s prevention focus. This includes an intentional integration of School Resource Officers and social workers, among others, into Coalition membership
- Provided acohol and drug prevention education to 353 students in Brown County high schools
- Installed 3 permanent drug drop boxes in Brown County, and distributed nearly 100 lock boxes to limit access to substances and minimize individual risk
- Held 2 naloxone trainings to educate staff at St. Norbert College and Northeast Wisconsin Technical College
- Initiated Place of Last Drink (POLD) effort to identify establishments where individuals had consumed alcohol and reduce the number of OWI-related fatalities in the community

Nutrition & Physical Activity Initiatives (Chair: Jennifer Schnell, Aurora BayCare)
- Maintained promotion of healthy donations for food drives by regular engagement via social media
- Promoted and supported Green Bay Garden Blitz community garden boxes initiative
- Began developing a partnership with Brown County Public Health to address early detection and management of diabetes and cardiovascular disease in the community
- Integrated community voice into the development of the bike and pedestrian community plan, including safe routes to school
- Continued to support injury prevention efforts related to pedestrian safety and bike helmet distribution and education