



Impacting Population Health 2014: *Connecting Local Health Priorities with Healthy Kansans 2020*

Southwest Regional Meeting Summary Garden City, Kansas

I. Attendance Summary:

Key stakeholders from across the state were invited to participate in a series of regional public health meetings to discuss connecting local community health assessments and improvement plans with Healthy Kansans 2020 (HK 2020), the state health assessment and improvement plan. Attendance from a cross-section of community agencies and organizations with involvement in leading/participating in community health assessment and improvement planning efforts was highly encouraged. The attendance summary from the Southwest Regional Meeting held in Garden City, Kansas, on May 16 is provided below.

51 attendees

- Local Health Departments: Finney, Grant, Hamilton, Haskell, Hodgeman, Kearny, Lane, Meade, Seward, Scott, Stanton, Wichita
- Community Members
- Compass Behavioral Health
- Dominican Sisters Ministry of Presence
- Finney County Community Health Coalition
- Garden City Family YMCA
- Garden City Public Schools
- Garden City Recreation Commission
- Kansas Department of Agriculture
- Kansas Department of Health & Environment
- K-State Research and Extension
- Liberal Area Coalition for Families
- Meade District Hospital
- Northwest Kansas Juvenile Services
- Pioneer Health Network
- Russell Child Development Center
- St. Catherine Hospital
- Sunflower State Health Plan
- SW Kansas Local Environment Planning Group
- SW Kansas Regional Prevention Center
- United Healthcare Community Plan
- United Methodist Mexican American Ministries
- Western Kansas Statistical Lab
- YMCA of Southwest Kansas

II. Local Objectives/Strategies

Meeting attendees were asked to identify and briefly describe at least one local objective/strategy that their community is currently working to develop and/or implement. For each objective/strategy attendees were asked to complete a series of questions, answers are summarized below. Attendees at the Southwest Regional Meeting shared a total of 47 objectives/strategies.

Does this local Objective/Strategy align with a HK2020 Strategy?
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HK2020 Priority Strategies

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Healthy Living-1	21
Healthy Living-2	6
Healthy Communities-1	11
Access to Services-1	11
Access to Services-2	9
<i>HK2020 Other Strategies</i>	
Healthy Living-3	2
Healthy Living-4	2
Healthy Communities-2	4
Healthy Communities-3	2
Access to Services-3	1
Does not fit in any of the identified statewide strategies	5
Is this Objective/Strategy identified in CHA/CHIP?	
We have not completed a CHA/CHIP	7
Yes, it was identified in the CHA/CHIP	18
This need was identified in another process	14
No. CHA completed, but this strategy was not identified as a priority	7
Work on this Objective/Strategy is:	
In planning stages of development	22
In the first 0-6 months of implementation	8
>6 months of implementation	16

III. Round Table/Report Out Discussion

Attendees participated in a series of round table exercises to discuss the successes (What is working?) and challenges (What barriers have you encountered?) to addressing each of the shared objectives/strategies. A summary of the round table discussions is provided below. (Numbers show the frequency that an item was mentioned; no number indicates the item was mentioned once.)

What is working?	
Collaboration (9)	Increase in enrollments
Community support (8)	Using video and tablets for recording video for use in team meeting consultation and documenting progress
Community champions for WorkWell Kansas (2)	Providing incentives for going to appointments, conducting home visits
Grant funding (2)	Working with regional prevention center to build coalition
Having developed a relationship with elementary schools and senior center	Press coverage
Wellness program participation	School principals asking for garden opportunities
Hospital CEO buy-in	Innovation of PCP and behavioral health to overcome obstacles
Approval from city government	Collaborative effort with Economic developer and health department
Great leadership team	District level committee
Food safety booklets in different languages	Good working relationship with economic development and county commissioners
Chronic Disease Self-Management Program	Well attended meetings
CHA/CHIP Team have remained focused on objectives	Patients receive more accessible/coordinated care

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Opportunity to address high BMIs and obesity	Patients are seeing health benefits
Locums	Kansas Health Foundation technical assistance
KanCare is transporting more people	Better breastfeeding outcomes
LifeSkills Training Program reduced tobacco use in Edwards County since 2006 implementation	Overcame transportation barrier by doing a pilot using the public bus service
Seeing increased use of bike helmets/flags	Recently hired a new APRN
Participants becoming more confident in English skills and becoming more engaged in the community	Inter-coalition communication
Children able to use self-control and direct attention to other things	Some testing being done and resource does exist
Providers writing patients prescriptions to go to the YMCA. YMCA willing to give scholarships for those patients	Transition to self-sufficiency with success
Some resources available for NEXT Step; treatment	

What barriers are you encountering in getting started or making progress?	
Time (8)	Attitude barriers (2)
Funding (6)	Planning effective outreach strategies (2)
Resistance to change (4)	Getting access to audience (2)
Government involvement- slow process (4)	Communication
Public education/awareness (4)	Internet connectivity
Community engagement (4)	Retention of active members and enthusiasm
Development of policies/plans (3)	Non user friendly website
Getting key partners on board (3)	History of silos of care
Physician recruitment (3)	Invalid demographics
Costs (3)	Private domestic water wells are not required to test for water quality
Limited staff (3)	How to handle need in community and what does maintenance care look like
Cultural differences (2)	Scheduling
Staff Engagement/buy-in (2)	Technology
Language barriers (2)	Joint staff education/lack of knowledge for referrals
Limited resources (3)	Staff time to dedicate time to the CHIP
Working with certain sectors (schools, businesses, law enforcement) (2)	Knowing where to go/what to do now that the CHA is completed

IV. Local Issues Not Addressed by HK2020

Attendees were asked to identify public health issues not included in the state plan which are of interest at the local level. A summary of issues is provided below.

Which areas are not being addressed?	
Underage drinking	Tobacco policies – must be <u>maintained</u> and defended
Refugee population connectors to increase access	Community health worker program
Drug use inpatient treatment (detox)	Domestic violence
Problem gambling (casino development)	Breastfeeding – friendly community
Suicide prevention	Health disparities due to financial limitations – identified but not well defined strategies to address (poverty)