

# TIPTON

# Community Health Needs Assessmen

# Implementation Strategy

September 2013

## **HOSPITAL BACKGROUND**

Built in 1964 by Tipton County, the hospital became a part of the Baptist Memorial Health Care System in 1981. Two physicians' office buildings were completed in 1983 and in 1993, and additional construction has increased our number of hospital beds to 100.

To continue meeting patient needs, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton completed construction of a surgery center in 1998, adding four operating rooms and two surgery procedure rooms. Two new chest x-ray rooms and a mammography room were added in 2001.

A new sleep disorders lab opened in 1999, featuring three full-size beds and decorated to more closely resemble a patient's bedroom at home. In 2000, a new six-bed observation unit was opened in the lab, equipped with centralized monitoring systems. The systems provide a consolidated unit which allows us to monitor patients for up to 24 hours.

## **COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Baptist Memorial Health Care undertook a comprehensive Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) beginning in late 2011. Baptist Memorial Health Care has 14 affiliate hospitals serving 110 counties in Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas. The assessment was not only initiated to comply with current requirements set forth in the Affordable Care Act, but to further the health system's commitment to community health improvement. The findings from the assessment will be utilized by Baptist Memorial Health Care to guide various community initiatives and to engage appropriate partners to address the various needs that were identified. Baptist Memorial Health Care is committed to the people it serves and the communities they live in. Through this process, the hospital will be a stronger partner in the community and the health of those in the surrounding neighborhoods will be elevated.

The primary goals of the Community Health Needs Assessment were to:

- Provide baseline measure of key health indicators
- Establish benchmarks and monitor health trends
- Guide community benefit and community health improvement activities
- Provide a platform for collaboration among community groups
- > Serve as a resource for individuals and agencies to identify community health needs
- > Assist with community benefit requirements as outlined in Section 5007 of the ACA

A variety of quantitative and qualitative research components were implemented as part of the CHNA. These components included the following:

- Statistical Household Survey
- Secondary Data Profiles
- Key Informant Interviews
- Focus Groups
- > Prioritization
- Implementation Plan

All research was conducted by Holleran Consulting, a national research and consulting firm located in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

The findings from the CHNA were reviewed to identify the most vital community health needs and create a plan of how Baptist Memorial Health Care can best address those needs. The following pages outline Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton's strategies to meet our community's health needs.

# **SELECTION OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTH PRIORITIES**

On February 25, 2013, approximately 14 individuals from Baptist Memorial Health Care gathered to review the results of the 2012-13 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA). The goal of the meeting was to discuss and prioritize key findings from the CHNA. Baptist Memorial Health Care aimed to create system-wide priorities and set the stage for the development of each system hospital's Implementation Strategy.

The objectives of the half-day strategic planning session were to:

- Provide an overview of recently compiled community health data and highlight key research findings
- > Initiate discussions around key health issues and prioritize needs based on select criteria
- Brainstorm goals and objectives to guide Baptist Memorial Health Care Hospitals' Implementation Plans
- > Examine Baptist Memorial Health Care's role in addressing community health priorities

The meeting began with a research overview presented by Holleran Consulting. The presentation covered the purpose of the study, the research methodologies, and the key findings. Following the research overview, Holleran facilitated large group discussion regarding the identified community needs.

The group discussed the inter-relationship of needs and special populations within the community. Social determinants of health, including education, poverty, access to care, and social norms were considered to better understand root causes. Participants worked to create a "Master List of Needs" by identifying overlapping issues and cross-cutting strategies. The following Master List of Needs was created:

- Obesity & Related Chronic Conditions
- Access to Care & Preventive Health Education (including health literacy, nutrition, physical activity, smoking)
- Diabetes
- Cardiovascular Disease
- > Cancer
- Maternal and Women's Health (including prenatal care)
- Caregiver Needs (including palliative care, senior services, services for disabled residents)
- Mental Health (including substance/alcohol abuse, Alzheimer's disease, stress)

To create a "Prioritized List of Needs" from the Master List, participants were provided with information regarding the prioritization process, criteria to consider when evaluating key areas of

focus, and other aspects of health improvement planning, such as goal setting and developing strategies and measures.

The following criteria were used to identify the most pressing needs in the community:

- Scope of Issue (How many people are impacted?)
- Severity of Issue (What will happen if the issue is not addressed?)
- Ability to Impact the Issue (Are health and human services providers able to impact the need?)

 $\succ$ 

Applying these criteria and an understanding of the relationship between the needs and crosscutting strategies, the participants agreed upon the following "Prioritized List of Needs:"

#### **Prioritized List of Community Needs:**

- > Healthy Lifestyle Choices (Prevention & Education, Chronic Disease Prevention)
- > Cancer
- Maternal and Women's Health
- Mental Health (with a focus on Caregivers and Alzheimer's Disease)

The group viewed "Access to Care" as an overarching issue in delivering health care, managing chronic conditions, and providing preventive care and education. As such, it was agreed that strategies to address each of the prioritized needs would include elements to break down residents' barriers to accessing care.

#### STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS

In support of the 2012-13 Community Health Needs Assessment, and ongoing community benefit initiatives, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton plans to implement the following strategies to impact and measure community health improvement.

# **Healthy Lifestyle Choices**

Recognizing the connection between Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease, and other chronic conditions to healthy lifestyle choices, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton will seek to reduce these chronic conditions by focusing education and awareness on promoting healthy eating and physical activity. A reduction in chronic disease rates will likely not be seen in the initial three-year cycle, however, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton expects that success in increasing awareness of the relationship between healthy lifestyle choices and disease will impact the number of residents at risk for or diagnosed with Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease, and other chronic conditions in the future.

**GOAL:** Reduce risk factors for chronic disease and improve management of chronic disease through healthy lifestyle choices.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

Provide education about healthy lifestyle choices.

- Increase proportion of adults for screening for hypertension, high cholesterol and other risk factors for chronic disease.
- Increase residents' awareness of relationship between healthy lifestyle and chronic disease.
- Reduce prevalence of overweight and obesity for those at risk or diagnosed with chronic conditions.
- Decrease Emergency Department/Hospital Admission/Readmissions for chronic disease management.

#### **KEY INDICATORS:**

- BMI Rates (BRFSS survey)
- > Number of residents told by physician they are borderline for diabetes. (BRFSS survey)
- Resident fruit and vegetable intake (BRFSS survey)
- > % residents participating in physical activity (BRFSS survey)
- Readmission rates for chronic conditions (Hospital admission rates)

#### **BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL-TIPTON STRATEGIES:**

- > Work with Stern Clinic to provide education and resources about Heart Disease.
- Have employees trained to provide education on Smoking Cessation. Provide this service in churches and community facilities.
- Sponsor and support the Tipton "Get Fit" program that is geared toward helping children and their families choose a healthy lifestyle.
- > Provide flu vaccines and health education for the senior citizens of Tipton County.
- Provide health information at the Home Depot Health and Safety Fair, Kroger Health fair, Munford Celebrate, and Heritage Day.

#### **EXISTING COMMUNITY ASSETS TO ADDRESS NEEDS:**

In addition to the aforementioned community assets, the following organizations also exist in the community. BMH-Tipton will work collaboratively with these entities to address the objectives and strategies outlined above.

- > American Heart Association
- > American Cancer Society
- > American Diabetes Association
- Tipton County Health Department
- United Way
- Tipton County Commission on Aging
- Local churches and community groups

# Cancer

With the support of the Baptist Cancer Center, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton will seek to educate residents about the risk factors for Cancer and early detection, with the goal of improving Cancer mortality rates and quality of life for patients with Cancer.

**GOAL:** Provide early detection and treatment to reduce Cancer mortality rates and improve quality of life for patients living with Cancer.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- > Invest in newest technologies for detection and care of Cancer.
- Provide community outreach and Cancer screening efforts to educate residents about the risk factors for Cancer and the benefits for early detection.
- Improve availability of Cancer screenings and services.
- Provide free or reduced cost screenings and services.

#### **KEY INDICATORS:**

- Number of residents receiving age-appropriate Cancer screenings
- Incidence rate for Cancer, all sites
- Morbidity/Mortality rate for Cancer, all sites

#### **BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL-TIPTON STRATEGIES:**

- Provide education on prostate cancer.
- Work with Confidential Care for Women to provide free mammograms thru the Susan G. Komen Grant (if we can qualify). Continue to work with churches to provide information about breast cancer.
- Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon
- Look Good Feel Better
- Provide Health fairs for Mammography
- Provide space for Cancer Support Groups to come in the 2nd Monday of each month. We have partnered with Tipton County Commission on Aging (TCCA) to hold support groups.

#### **EXISTING COMMUNITY ASSETS TO ADDRESS NEEDS:**

In addition to the aforementioned community assets, the following organizations also exist in the community. BMH-Tipton will work collaboratively with these entities to address the objectives and strategies outlined above.

- > American Cancer Society
- System partnership with Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center
- Susan G. Komen Foundation
- > Tipton County Health Department
- Local churches and Community Groups

# Maternal & Women's Health

Improving outcomes for babies starts by ensuring pregnant mothers have access to early prenatal care and begin to make healthy lifestyle choices during pregnancy and continue healthy behaviors after giving birth.

**GOAL:** Promote prenatal wellness to improve outcomes for mother and child.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

Reduce low birth weight/premature birth

- Reduce infant mortality rates
- Improve healthy lifestyle choices for pregnant mothers

#### **KEY INDICATORS:**

- Birth weight
- Premature births
- Infant mortality rates
- $\geq$  #/% of mothers who receive prenatal care in first trimester

#### **BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL-TIPTON STRATEGIES:**

- Work with school nurses in Tipton County to provide education to students on STDs specifically Chlamydia.
- Work with Confidential Care for Women to provide education to women on STDs specifically Chlamydia.
- > Childbirth classes
- Parenting classes
- Breastfeeding classes

#### **EXISTING COMMUNITY ASSETS TO ADDRESS NEEDS:**

In addition to the aforementioned community assets, the following organizations also exist in the community. BMH-Tipton will work collaboratively with these entities to address the objectives and strategies outlined above.

- Tipton County Health Department
- March of Dimes Foundation
- United Way Agencies
- Tipton County Schools

# Mental Health

Recognizing the relationship between mental health and optimal physical health for patients and their caregivers, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton will aim to help residents identify the signs of dementia and/or Alzheimer's disease and provide support for caregivers.

**GOAL:** Increase early detection of dementia and provide support services for residents with dementia and/or Alzheimer's and their caregivers.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- > Help residents identify early signs of dementia/Alzheimer's Disease.
- Promote support services for residents with dementia and/or Alzheimer's and their caregivers.

#### **KEY INDICATORS:**

- Residents diagnosed with Dementia/Alzheimer's Disease
- Caregiver Support Group Participants

#### **BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL-TIPTON STRATEGIES:**

- Contact PCS to see if we can support them in the fight against mental illness. Work on alcohol abuse in Tipton County. Provide space for them to come to AAA meetings.
- Work with Tipton County Commission on Aging (TCCA) with the help of PCS to provide education about Alzheimer's/Dementia.

#### **EXISTING COMMUNITY ASSETS TO ADDRESS NEEDS:**

In addition to the aforementioned community assets, the following organizations also exist in the community. BMH-Tipton will work collaboratively with these entities to address the objectives and strategies outlined above.

- Alzheimer's Association
- > American Stroke Association
- Tipton County Commission on Aging
- Assisted Living, Senior Care Facilities

#### **COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS NOT ADDRESSED**

Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton plans to address all four of the prioritized health needs identified through the Community Health Needs Assessment. It will continue to play a leadership role in addressing the health needs of the residents in the communities it serves. For community needs not identified as priorities, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton will continue to play a support role as resources are available. As with all Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton programs, the hospital will continue to monitor community needs and adjust programming and services accordingly.

## **APPROVAL FROM GOVERNING BODY**

The Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton Board of Directors met on January 28, 2014 to review the findings of the CHNA and the recommended Implementation Strategy. The board voted to adopt the Implementation Strategy as outlined and provide the necessary resources and support to carry out the initiatives therein.