

The Center for Health Affairs' CHNA Offering

As the leading advocate for Northeast Ohio hospitals, The Center for Health Affairs understands the importance of analyzing the top health needs in each community while ensuring member hospitals are compliant with IRS regulations governing nonprofit hospitals.

The Center for Health Affairs has helped member hospitals fulfill the CHNA requirements contained within the Affordable Care Act since 2010. The Center offers a variety of CHNA services to help member hospitals produce robust and meaningful CHNA reports that can guide a hospital's community health improvement activities. CHNA Services include:



Data Analysis of Existing Primary and Secondary Sources

Many primary and secondary data sources exist which can help hospitals gain an understanding of the health status of their community. The Center can help member hospitals analyze existing data sources by geography - such as county and, when possible, ZIP code - to produce a complete picture of pressing health needs in a hospital's service area.



Ambulatory Care Sensitive (ACS) Discharges Analysis

ACS conditions are conditions, such as asthma and diabetes, for which "good outpatient care can potentially prevent the need for hospitalization or for which early intervention can prevent complications or more severe disease," according to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Findings from The Center's ACS analysis can help member hospitals pinpoint locations where additional outpatient services or outreach may be necessary to help prevent the need for hospitalization.



Cancer Data Analysis

Cancer is often among the top health needs in a community. By leveraging existing, standardized cancer data that is being collected for accreditation purposes, The Center can help member hospitals identify geographic areas or populations within the hospital's service area that experience a higher incidence of certain types of cancer or that have a higher incidence of late-stage cancer diagnoses.

A La Carte	CHNA Components	Pricing
Menu A	Data Analysis of Existing Primary and Secondary Sources	TBD
Menu B	Ambulatory Care Sensitive (ACS) Discharges Analysis	TBD
Menu C	Cancer Data Analysis	TBD
Menu D	Primary Data Collection	TBD*
Menu E	Community Input	TBD*
Menu F	Evaluation of Impact	TBD*

**The Center is able to help member hospitals produce complete CHNA reports that include a community input component as well as an evaluation of the impact of actions taken since the last CHNA reporting period. Pricing for a complete CHNA will be determined upon gathering a facility's requirements.*

More Information

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