



B-22 Team Feature Health & Wellness Action Team

June 14, 2022

Charge



To collaborate with health and wellness stakeholders in the Palm Beach County community to educate, inform, and ensure that everyone from birth through age 22 has access to: comprehensive health care providing; medical, dental, behavior health, healthy food, physical activities, and educational resources that promote healthy choices for a lifetime.

2022 Priorities



Short-term Goals:

- Consolidate Action Team with PBC Advisory Council (CHIP/CHA)

Long-term Goals:

- Compile a resource guide to identify insurance assistance and safe spaces for youth in PBC

Recent/tangible activities team's been engaged in?



- In January, starting attending the PBC Advisory Council Meetings
- Review of the Community Health Assessment (CHA) results
- Determining Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Priority Areas and their goals and objectives

Benchmarks and targets for your proposed action area/strategies (if applicable)?



- 2022-2027 PBC CHIP Priority Areas include:

- 1. Chronic Disease Prevention and Self Management**

- Screening
- Health care provider education
- Best practice implementation

- 2. Mental and Behavioral Health**

- Access to Community-Based Mental Health Services
- Education, Awareness, Addressing Mental Health Stigma
- Substance Use

- 3. Access to Services Through Wellness and Prevention**

- Infant and maternal health
- Healthy and affordable foods
- Transportation
- Health insurance – underinsured/uninsured
- Education and awareness of diseases/prevention measures & of available services/resources
- Poverty
- Housing

How is equity showing up in your work?



- The CHA pays particular attention to demographics; citing sex, race, ethnic, age, and socioeconomic disparities throughout the county
- The April 27th meeting conducted a root cause analysis of each priority area and determined the priority goals based on that root cause rather than the surface issue identified
- Health Equity was also listed as a goal to be addressed in each of the Priority Areas

How are the community needs represented in your work?



- Priority areas were selected after reviewing the Community Health Assessment data.
- The CHA is completed every five years
- Depicts the health status in our community using:
 - Demographic and health data
 - Community inputs from focus groups and key informant interview
 - A local public health system assessment
- It is used to inform and guide the development of a five-year countywide collaborative Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)

Key Highlights and Roadblocks



Highlights/Accomplishments

- Consolidate Action Team with PBC Advisory Council (CHIP/CHA)
- Allowing us to partner with other agencies to work towards common county-wide health & wellness concerns

Opportunities/Roadblocks

- Continuing to learn about this process

Connecting w/ B-22 Teams, Initiatives and partners



- Still in the early stages of our CHIP consolidation
- Learning about the process and the action steps and responsible partners for the goals/objectives
- Community Conversations provided insight about the importance of viewing physical health & mental health as interconnected. All around wellness as opposed to different entities.
 - More future collaboration with the Trauma Action Team



Next Steps

- Continue to attend and engage in PBC Advisory Council Meetings
- Determine how we can support the CHIP work plan
- Ensure that the needs of our PBC residents birth through 22 and their families needs are being represented in the CHIP
- Identify any outstanding gaps after the CHIP development that may need to be focused on by the Action Team separately