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Promote Healthy Living Assessment

includes topics such as addictive behaviors (tobacco, alcohol, drugs, gambling), chronic disease (mental health, cardiovascular disease, cancer, asthma, diabetes, arthritis, etc.), elderly wellness, family planning, infant, child & family health, nutrition and healthy food options, oral health, physical activity, pregnancy & birth, and wellness.

Healthy Living Community Priority	Rationale / Specific Need	Is this priority in the HIP?	If the priority is not addressed in the HIP, reason(s) why:
1 Mental health of youth and adults	<p>According to recent community survey of adult population, mental health services and counseling were indicated at the #1 issue in the "completely unsatisfied" and #1 issue in "unsatisfied" responses of the 261 persons surveyed. The 2015 Osceola County results from Iowa Youth Survey indicated that 49% of the total 6th, 8th and 11th grades surveyed responded that they feel worthless at some time. Data shows a larger percentage of females than males indicate feelings of worthlessness. Kim Wilson of NAMI of NWIa cites statistics that include: <1 in 5 people live with a mental health condition. < only 41% of adults in the US with a mental health condition received mental health services in the past year. < only 62.9% of adults with a serious mental illness received mental health services in the past year. < Approximately 1 in 5 (21.4%) of youth aged 13-18 experiences a serious mental disorder at some point during their life. < More than 90% of children who die by suicide have a mental health condition.</p>	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other priorities rated higher <input type="checkbox"/> Existing programs already address problem/need <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of human resources/ staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community partners do not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lead organization does not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of financial resources

Prevent Injuries & Violence Assessment

includes topics such as brain injury, disability, EMS trauma & system development, intentional injuries (violent & abusive behavior, suicide), occupational health & safety, and unintentional injuries (motor vehicle crashes, falls, poisoning, drowning, etc.).

Injuries & Violence Community Priority	Rationale / Specific Need	Is this priority in the HIP?	If the priority is not addressed in the HIP, reason(s) why:
1 Osceola County Emergency Medical Services struggles to recruit and maintain trained volunteer personnel to provide emergency medical services throughout the County.	According to County EMS Director: < Current volunteers are aging < Volunteer training to meet IA Standards of Care is demanding < Small towns are bedroom communities meaning daytime coverage is difficult as many young wage earners are employed outside the county < Declining population in rural areas means not as many volunteers are available	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other priorities rated higher <input type="checkbox"/> Existing programs already address problem/need <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of human resources/ staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Community partners do not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lead organization does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of financial resources

Protect Against Environmental Hazards Assessment

includes topics such as drinking water protection, food waste, food safety, fluoridation, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, healthy homes, impaired waterways, lead poisoning, nuisances, on site wastewater systems, radon, radiological health, soil erosion, and vector control.

Environmental Hazards Community Priority	Rationale / Specific Need	Is this priority in the HIP?	If the priority is not addressed in the HIP, reason(s) why:
1 Fluoride levels in four communities (Ashton, Melvin, Harris, Ocheyedan) do not reach optimal level of 0.7 mg/L.	Three of the communities purchase their water from Osceola Co. Rural Water System, which has a natural fluoride concentration (.35 mg/L) which is below the level considered optimal for prevention of tooth decay. Ocheyedan Community wells have a natural fluoride concentration of .25 mg/L, well below the optimal level. The town of Sibley supplements the water from Osceola Co Rural Water System to a fluoride level between 0.7 and 0.9 mg/L. It is checked daily to maintain safe and consistent levels.	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other priorities rated higher <input type="checkbox"/> Existing programs already address problem/need <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of human resources/ staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Community partners do not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lead organization does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of financial resources

Prevent Epidemics & the Spread of Disease Assessment

includes topics such as disease investigation, control & surveillance, HIV/AIDS, immunization, reportable diseases, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis (TB).

Epidemics & Spread of Disease Community Priority	Rationale / Specific Need	Is this priority in the HIP?	If the priority is not addressed in the HIP, reason(s) why:
1 Immunization rates of adolescents ages 13-15 years	Recent community survey showed concern about unvaccinated populations. In the 2014 Immunizations in Iowa Annual Report, the report looks at immunizations of various age groups and vaccine series. For adolescents ages 13-15, immunizations include 3 Hep B, 1 Meningococcal 2 MMR, 1 Td or Tdap and 2 Varicella. The rate for Osceola County is 16%. The average state rate is 45%.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> Other priorities rated higher <input type="checkbox"/> Existing programs already address problem/need <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of human resources/ staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Community partners do not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lead organization does not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of financial resources

Prepare for, Respond to, & Recover from Public Health Emergencies Assessment

includes topics such as communication networks, emergency planning, emergency response, individual preparedness, recovery planning, risk communication, and surge capacity.

Preparedness Community Priority	Rationale / Specific Need	Is this priority in the HIP?	If the priority is not addressed in the HIP, reason(s) why:	
1 Volunteer Management in Public Health emergencies	In a county wide mass casualty exercise scheduled for May 31, Public Health found it difficult to staff non-medical positions, mental health resource positions for the weekend event. There is no consensus of how volunteers would be covered in insurance, what staffing needs/requirements might be and how these needs would be met safely.	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other priorities rated higher <input type="checkbox"/> Existing programs already address problem/need <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of human resources/ staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Community partners do not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lead organization does not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of financial resources

Strengthen the Health Infrastructure Assessment

includes topics such as access to quality health services, community engagement, evaluation, food security, food systems, food and nutrition assistance (SNAP, WIC), health facilities, health insurance, medical care, organizational capacity, planning, quality improvement, social determinants (e.g., education & poverty levels), transportation, and workforce (e.g., primary care, dental, mental health, public health).

Health Infrastructure Community Priority	Rationale / Specific Need	Is this priority in the HIP?	If the priority is not addressed in the HIP, reason(s) why:	
1 Access to quality Health Services: * Intra county transportation services are not available. * There are inadequate dental services in Osceola County.	Through a collaborative effort, the City of Sibley provides transportation within city limits for individuals of any age for a nominal fee. Osceola Community Hospital and Osceola Employment Services provide vouchers for persons accessing health care and/or transportation to sheltered work site. Residents in outlying communities and rural areas have no transportation available to access essential services. Recently, one dental practice closed. The remaining dental provider travels to Sibley providing services 2 days per week. Currently he is not accepting new medicaid clients.	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other priorities rated higher <input type="checkbox"/> Existing programs already address problem/need <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of human resources/ staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Community partners do not exist <input type="checkbox"/> Lead organization does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of financial resources

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COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT SNAPSHOT



Promote Healthy Living

Priority #1 Mental health of youth and adults



Prevent Injuries & Violence

Priority #1 Osceola County Emergency Medical Services struggles to recruit and maintain trained volunteer personnel to provide emergency medical services throughout the County.



Protect Against Environmental Hazards

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Prevent Epidemics & the Spread of Disease

Priority #1 Immunization rates of adolescents ages 13-15 years



Prepare for, Respond to, & Recover from Public Health Emergencies

Priority #1 Volunteer Management in Public Health emergencies



Strengthen the Health Infrastructure

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