### JANUARY 2015

**JOHNSON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**

**COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN TIMELINE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE**

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<th>CHIP Priorities and Objectives</th>
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| **Physical Activity/Nutrition:** increase the number of City/County governments from 3 of 20 to 7 of 20 that have adopted Complete Streets Resolutions in Johnson County that encompass at least 5 of 10 Essential Elements as defined by the National Complete Streets Coalition | May 2012 – Dec. 31, 2016 | 2012 - Overland Park passed resolution, Olathe made updates to city master plan than encompasses several Essential Elements, Prairie Village has had a lot of community engagement regarding placement of sidewalks in the community.  
2013 - Although there have been no Complete Streets resolutions passed recently, this does not seem to be impeding community level progress. Several communities are undertaking large scale public works projects that are greatly improving pedestrian and bicycle access for physical activity and active commuting.  
The city of Lenexa is currently completing a major upgrade to the 87th street corridor; most components of the Essential Elements of the National Complete Streets coalition are being incorporated.  
The City of Olathe has been updating policies regarding roads and infrastructure. The city has made many updates that support complete streets, but has not adopted the full policy and is taking the issue on a neighborhood by neighborhood basis in many cases.  
Continued partnership with Building a Healthier Heartland to build support for expansion of Livable Communities projects.  
2014 - Several cities continue to evaluate policies regarding roads and infrastructure. In an effort to become more engaged at the policy level in communities, CHIP/CHAP partners began participating in the Bike Pedestrian Advisory Committee at Mid-America Regional Council. This group has actively working on completing the Kansas City Regional Bikeway Plan. | S. Klein/BHH CDRR Coalition CHA coalition members JCDHE staff | Ongoing |
The Regional Bikeway Network proposed in this plan will make it easier for people across the metro to use bicycling not only for recreation, but as a viable transportation alternative to reach a wide variety of destinations. When fully implemented, this plan will expand active transportation choices for area residents over a 2,000 mile network of on-road and off-road facilities that spans eight counties in the bi-state Kansas City region.

**Physical Activity/Nutrition:**

Support implementation of Complete Streets Resolutions in Johnson County by:

1. participating in city driven initiatives that encourage robust implementation in communities,
2. continuously work to engage new partners,
3. actively seek monetary and in-kind resources that advance CHIP goals, and
4. provide technical assistance and support to partners and other community groups engaged in supporting activities.

May 2012-Dec. 31, 2016

1) Participated in marketing of community meetings for MARC Creating Sustainable Places grant, also provided feedback during events: 10/29/12 for OP and Mission, 10/30/12 for Shawnee and Merriam.

In 2013, the Creating Sustainable Places (affiliated with MARC) project continues in the cities Overland Park/Mission. CDRR staff and coalition members continue to participate in community engagement activities when appropriate and interact with community and school groups to continue support and development of capacity in the community. There has been much progress on the Metcalf corridor (a primary focus of this project) and there are now bike racks at many of the bus stations, and nearly 100% the Jo (Johnson County Transit busses) have bike capacity. In recent months the city asked for community input in the updating of the city’s master park plan. The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism granted the City of Overland Park, Oak Park Trail replacement funds. Trail development and amenities is a major focus of the park, and master trail and bike plans for the community. Several Creating Sustainable Places communities conducted a parking/access survey to determine opportunities for increasing foot rather than auto traffic in these suburban "downtown" areas.

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A forum was hosted by the city of Shawnee with many business owners and residence in attendance to express their vision for the project and to voice concerns.

The City of Overland Park (OP) conducted an extensive Bike to Work Week campaign to promote improving access to bus lines for bikers, and an improving trail system which greatly increases opportunities for active commuting to work. OP conducted public meetings to gain public feedback on the parks master plan. These include trails and other complete streets type components. Coalition members provided feedback, and recruited community members to provide feedback as well.

The Turkey Creek area of JoCo (OP, Mission and Merriam) is extending trail access that will eventually link with Kansas City, Kansas. Community input has indicated a desire for more trail/active commute opportunities in this region of the county for many years. The trail will connect this part of the county to the Indian Creek Trail System which will expand access on to Olathe and Kansas City, Missouri as well.

Supported efforts of the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) “Green Commute Challenge.” Johnson County employees and other employers participated by logging commutes (carpool, ride the bus*, bike, walk, stay in for lunch, telecommute) from June 3–August 30, 2013. This identified more partners and gained valuable knowledge about the Mid-America Regional Council and its efforts regarding sustainability, built environment, and other environmental issues.

2) New partners: MARC, BHH, Leawood Sustainability Committee, Corinth Elementary and Overland Trail Elementary.

3) In-kind and monetary resources acquired through partnerships with Safe Kids Coalition and Leawood Sustainability Committee. Completed a grant application to AHA in the spring.

4) Technical Assistance and support to Overland Trail Elementary and Corinth Elementary for Complete Streets and Walkability assessment, and developing a plan to work with city officials on identified problems.
In 2013, technical Assistance was provided to Corinth to help set up a Bike and Pedestrian Safety Presentation. The presentation was held during schools hours to all grades. Corinth's walkability assessment findings were shared with the city planning commission and were used to make some changes in "Walking School Bus" routes... either improving/altering/adding components to improve the safety. Prairie Village City Council members discussed entering an agreement with Leawood to improve sidewalks north of the school along 83rd Street east of Mission Road. An article was in the local newspaper about the meeting. [http://joco913.com/news/changes-considered-for-sidewalks-near-corinth/#storylink=cpy](http://joco913.com/news/changes-considered-for-sidewalks-near-corinth/#storylink=cpy)

2014 – New partnerships include the Johnson County Chronic Disease Risk Reduction (CDRR) coalition. Complete Streets and Walking School Bus initiatives were included as part of the 14-15 JCDHE CDRR grant funding from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Streamlining action plans between the Community Health Improvement Plan and CDRR has helped maximize resources, and improves partner participation due to aligned priorities.

Participated in the Green Commute Challenge again this year, and partnered with Safe Kids Johnson County Coalition to promote Walk to School Day. This proved to be an excellent opportunity to identify schools that were interested in expanding walk to school programming from a one day to a more frequently occurring project.

In September the City of Leawood presented its Master Bike Plan to the MARC Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Council. It was sent to the Leawood City Council for approval in October.

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<td>At least 4 Johnson County Schools will have:</td>
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<td>1) received Walking School Bus training,</td>
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May 2012 - June 30, 2013

1) Corinth and Overland Trail Elementary received Walking School Bus Training.

In 2013 CDRR Staff and Coalition members have participated in webinars on Walking School Bus Programs. Also attended were the Built Environment Conference and Obesity Summit, both contained S. Rebeck, Shawnee Mission School District, CDRR coalition, CHA coalition, Leawood
2) completed neighborhood walkability assessments, 
3) shared assessments with city decision makers, and 
4) sufficient volunteer support to implement a Walking School Bus program for the 2013-2014 school year.

training on Built Environment and Safe Routes to School topics. 
2) Corinth and Overland Trail Elementary completed neighborhood walkability assessments. 
In 2013, results from the Overland Trail Elementary walkability assessment was shared with the city council and as a result more law enforcement have been present during the morning to help calm traffic in a few trouble finding areas. The Walking School Bus continues as a year round program. 
3) Corinth has shared walkability info with Prairie Village City Council – beginning to assess feasible solutions to some identified issues. Overland Trail plans to share results this spring. 
4) Both schools have sufficient volunteer support to sustain program through the remainder of this school year, and at this point intend to continue next school year. 

JCDHE staff and various coalition members attended Safe Routes to School Training this fall. 
Prairie Elementary and Highlands Elementary have expressed interest in assessments and Walking School Bus, coalition members and staff are currently working with them in hopes of developing a program at both sites. 

In 2013, assisted Bentwood Elementary in completing a Sunflower Foundation Trail Grant application. Bentwood is the most recent school to incorporate Walking School Bus. Bentwood had been a great addition, and has had great family support in conducting the neighborhood walkability assessments, and in communicating with traffic enforcement and neighborhood associations when trying to improve walkability in their neighborhood. In addition to writing the application they had an online signature of support campaign from residents and businesses that are located in the school neighborhood. 

Participated in the Johnson County Department of Health & Environment Annual School Nurse Workshop to connect with 

Sustainability Committee, Corinth and Overland Trail Elementary staff and Parent Teacher Association, JCDHE staff, Joco Safe Kids Coalition 

KC Healthy Kids, CHIP Coalition members
school contacts to promote Walking School Bus. Several new opportunities were identified, and coalition will work with them in 2014.

On an annual basis the coalition has assessed the status of Walking School Bus Programs in Johnson County. Numbers continue to increase and the coalition continues to provide technical assistance and support to ongoing activities.

In 2014 - Partners began working with the Safe Routes to School group affiliated with Mid-America Regional Council. This expanded network of partners will be a great asset as we move forward in expanding Walking School Bus programs in Johnson County.

Highlights of the year included an assessment of the total number of schools that participate in walking school bus programs and at what level. In addition we worked with several schools including Clear Creek in the DeSoto School District who was the recipient of a PedNet grant to assist with implementation.

Other highlights include development of an updated strategy for engaging new partners. New School Wellness Program Standards implemented by Kansas Department of Education include a tiered system of implementation of the various standards. Coalition members will work with schools to assure they meet at least the minimum criteria for related standards, or help interested schools reach higher tiers of implementation.

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<td>Faith-based survey assessing perceptions and attitudes about access to healthy foods in congregation ministries. A total of 50 faith leaders were interviewed representing a wide variety of faith communities.</td>
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<td>Resident survey assessing perceptions and behavior of eating outside the home. Random samples of 208 residents throughout Johnson County were interviewed.</td>
<td>Leadership Team, ETC Institute</td>
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<td>Work groups formed and developed for healthy food access issues in Day Care Settings, Before and After School Care, Johnson County Government buildings, and concession stands.</td>
<td>JCDHE, work groups, Johnson County Wellness</td>
<td>May 2012 – August 2012</td>
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<td>Community Plan and draft logic models developed for above initiatives.</td>
<td>Leadership team, workgroups</td>
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<td>Concession Stand nutrition policy initiative chosen and logic model completed. Okun Fieldhouse and New Century chosen as pilot sites.</td>
<td>JCDHE, JCPRD, Leadership Team</td>
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<td>Concession Stand nutrition campaign branding and messaging plan developed.</td>
<td>JCDHE, JCPRD, Media Events</td>
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<td>Community gardens explored with WIC clients. Land owned by Johnson County was identified and secured for garden deployment. Currently seeking grant funding for initiative.</td>
<td>JCDHE, Extension Office, Sustainability Program</td>
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<td>2013 - Johnson County Government departments formed a collaboration to support a new community garden. The WIC Community Garden educates, empowers and provides fresh produce for the clients in the Kansas WIC program. The garden is run by volunteers that worked over 140 hours and harvested 1,239 pounds of food in 2013. Plans are underway to expand the garden in 2014 by three times to include more vegetables.</td>
<td>JCDHE, Extension Office, Sustainability Program, Facilities Departments</td>
<td>On-going</td>
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<td>Johnson County Park and Recreation District (JCPRD) and JCDHE kicked off the Healthy Concessions Score campaign and initiative to the public during the opening of The Theater in The Park in May 2013, by passing out apples and menu guides to all the patrons. The kick off received great media coverage and support from the community.</td>
<td>JCDHE, JCPRD</td>
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<td>JCPRD implemented healthier options in their concession stands and provided menu labeling in 4 sites within their district recreational sites.</td>
<td>JCDHE, Kansas Health Foundation</td>
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<td>JCDHE was awarded a three year grant to expand the Access To Healthy Foods Coalition and further the work of implementing healthier nutritional guidelines and policy development within Johnson County concession stands.</td>
<td>JCDHE, Child Care Providers</td>
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<td>Work began on a Child Care Facility Assessment on healthy food policies and practices within the seven largest child care centers in Johnson County.</td>
<td>JCDHE, The Giving Grove, Society of St. Andrews</td>
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<td>A partnership was formed with The Giving Grove and Society of Saint Andrews to engage the faith communities in hunger relief efforts in Johnson County to provide fresh produce in food pantries. The collaboration will provide support to faith organizations that serve at-risk communities and help them grow, harvest and share healthy food with their community.</td>
<td>JCDHE, KC Healthy Kids, metro partners</td>
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<td>The Access to Healthy Foods Coalition participated in National Food Day, the celebration of healthy, affordable and sustainable food and campaign for better food policies. Over 25 metro events were planned, with three in Johnson County. Over 4,000 apples were given out to celebrate the event across the metro area.</td>
<td>WIC Leadership Team (WIC LT)</td>
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<td>In 2014 a volunteer WIC Community Garden Manager was hired.</td>
<td>WIC LT/MARC</td>
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<td>The WIC Community Garden was awarded the Mid-America Regional Council “Sustainable Success Stories Award” at the Kaufman Foundation.</td>
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<td>Home Depot provided a large discount to purchase a Tuff Shed for the WIVC Garden and many Home Depot volunteers (Olathe North and South locations) spent an entire day assembling the shed.</td>
<td>WIC LT/NACCHO</td>
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<td>Johnson County WIC Leadership Team submitted a proposal to present at the 2015 NACCHO convening titled “Small Community Gardens make BIG Impacts.”</td>
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A partnership with a University of Kansas Masters of Public Health student resulted in measurement of WIC client perceptions about the garden, involvement, and produce consumption. This research identified many opportunities to improve the garden so that more nutritious food is consumed by WIC clients.

The WIC Community Garden continued to be a success by expanding with an additional nine 12-foot beds. The garden harvested 1456 pounds of produce. Over 50 WIC client volunteers (including children), 40 county volunteers, and 19 community volunteers worked in the garden for a total of 467 hours.

By partnering with K-State Extension office, two cooking demonstrations were provided to WIC clients & families at JCDHE.

Partnered with The Giving Grove to plant two micro orchards on county property expected to produce in three years. Thirteen fruit trees were planted at the WIC Community Garden in Olathe and 20 fruit trees were planted at the Adult Residential Center (ARC) in Gardner. ARC is 398 bed community-based program for felony probationers. Residents will volunteer in the orchard to harvest fruit for their residents and food pantries within Johnson County. Fruit will also be donated to SAFEHOME, a Johnson County shelter for victims of domestic violence.

Participated in organizing National Food Day metro activities including more than 35 Apple Share sites around the metro, including: Blue Cross and Blue Shield’s Live Blue KC sites and corporate headquarters, Hy-Vee locations throughout the metro, American Century Investments, the Crown Center ATA site at Grand and Pershing, Garmin corporate headquarters, JOCO Senior Fest and JOCO Motor Vehicles Dept.

Worked with Allegro Media and volunteer Chef Jasper to prepare a 15 second Food Day PSA for radio and social media.

Awarded a two-year grant from the Kansas Health Foundation for the program “Early Care Education and Wellness in Johnson County” (ECEW); a joint initiative between American Heart

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Association (AHA) and JCDHE. ECEW leverages the resources of Healthy Way to Grow, a joint program of AHA and Nemours in Wyandotte County. The program will focus on improving nutrition, physical activity, screen time and infant feeding policies and practices. Thirty child care centers in JOCO have been recruited for program. The program was presented to the BOCC during a Childhood Obesity Proclamation and featured on the Fox 4 News.

Continued to work with Johnson County Parks and Recreation District (JCPRD) on promoting healthy concessions with JCPRD facilities and drafted a comprehensive policy to present to JCPRD board for approval. Policy includes nutrition standards, point of purchase, marketing and sustainability efforts.

Conducted live interviews with 4 members of JCPRD management to be used in promotional video with other parks and recreation departments.

Over 25 children and parents took part in a professional photo shoot to support Smart Snacks SCORE!. Photos will be used for all promotions of SCORE! and a Healthy Concession Tool Kit.

Developed marketing materials to be used at SCORE! sites.

Coordinated food pantry drop off sites (JOCO multi-purpose center pantries) for fresh produce gleaned from local farmers and After The Harvest. Presented gleaning opportunities at the United Community Services Faith Summit.

Worked with Olathe School District (OSD) to approve use of OSD catering department for purchasing concession items that fit within the new USDA’S Smart Snacks in School - “All Foods Sold in Schools” standards. These standards match the SCORE! nutrition standards.

Presented SCORE! program at the Built Environment Conference in Lawrence and Kansas City Food Policy Coalition annual luncheon.
| Access to Healthcare: Increase user access to and use of the Caseworker Resource Center to include five hospitals, safety net clinics, seven school districts, and other human services agencies in Johnson County. | By 2014 | 2012 - Shawnee Mission Medical Center, Overland Park Regional, Menorah of Johnson County in addition to other HCA hospitals: Independence, Lees Summit, Research and various HCA physician satellite offices are on board and using MyRC (new name for the Caseworker Resource Center) as a referral and resource hub. | C. Scheweis D. Whiteman | Ongoing |

Access to Healthy Foods Coalition members attended several webinars and trainings on Food Policy issues.

JCDHE staff served on Olathe School District Health and Wellness Committee, Kansas Alliance for Wellness (KAW), AHA KS Advocacy Committee, Chronic Disease Alliance of Kansas (CDAK), K-State Extension Family & Consumer Sciences Program Development Committee and Kansas City Food Policy Coalition to advocate and promote access to healthy foods in JOCO.

Access To Healthy Foods Coalition will be forming a Johnson County Appointed Food Policy Council in 2015 and will receive technical assistance from Public Health Law Center and Kansas Health Foundation.

Coalition members are in beginning stages of a Johnson County Food Assessment.

**MyRc users 2013:**

- Medical/Mental Health Facilities:
  - Shawnee Mission Medical Center - Overland Park Regional - Olathe Medical Center - Menorah of Johnson County - Independence Medical Center - Lee’s Summit Medical Center - Research Medical Center - Various HCA physician satellite offices - Health Partnership Clinic of Johnson County - Marillac

- School Districts:
- Blue Valley – Olathe - Shawnee Mission - Shawnee Mission – Headstart - Bonner Springs - Gardner/Edgerton - De Soto

**Human Service Organizations:**

**2014 Update:**
My Resource Connection information:
Additional agencies: Johnson County Library, Link to Care, District Court Trustee, Johnson County Early Learning Collaborative, Blue Valley Parents-as-Teachers, Johnson County Developmental Support Affiliates, Johnson County Court Services, MOSAIC, Overland Park Municipal Judge (Ryan Dixon), Family Conservancy, Johnson County Med-Act, Johnson County CRC Group (Mental Health), Blue Valley Middle School Counselors, MAAC Annual Conference, Wyandotte County CRC Group, Salvation Army (Harbor Lights), Johnson County EARN. Total number of people trained: 482

**Access to Healthcare:**
All Johnson County K-12 schools (public & private) will, in partnership with the local dental community, conduct annual dental screenings as required by state law, including follow-up

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<th>By 2017</th>
<th>Dental Screener Recruitment letters were sent out the end of October 2012.</th>
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<td>Total DDS and RDH Volunteers = 47</td>
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<td>Total DDS and RDH completed CE Calibration Class = 15</td>
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<td>Total DDS participated on Dental Screenings = 0</td>
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<td>Total RDH participated on Dental Screenings = 4</td>
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E. Storbeck
J. Ferguson
C. Galemore

Ongoing
Returned Letters = 23

Discussion was held to increase the numbers of DDS and RDH to complete the CE Calibration Class. Training scheduled 2-15-13 at JCDHE. C. Galemore to notify Kansas Dental Association of our initiative.

Utilize KDA and 5th District Meetings to promote our initiative and possibly hold trainings.

Johnson County School Screening Data 2013:
- # of schools screened increased from 44 to 56 (+27%)
- # of students screened increased from 13,924 to 20,074 (+44 %)
- % of Children screened with untreated decay decreased from 11.91% to 10.56%
- % of Children screened with sealants present increased from 39.64% to 44.4%
- % of Children screened with urgent care needed compared similar at 1.95% and 1.92%
- Recognition of current volunteers planned in form of certificates and PSA articles in newspapers/periodicals.
- Recruitment for volunteers continues through promotion at professional meetings

Enlisted the assistance of two JCDHE Customer Service Specialists to share the responsibilities of coordinating the school dental screening volunteers and supplies.

Johnson County School Screening Data 2014:
In 2014, we have experienced a change in the delivery of screenings. Johnson County Department of Health and Environment collaborated with Health Partnership Clinic of Johnson County with support from Marcia Manter of Oral Health Kansas to provide dental health screenings and treatments. Schools that only wish to receive screenings work with a team at the Department of Health and Environment, where schools that wish to also receive treatments work with Health Partnership.

Department of Health and Environment stats show:
Students Screened: 4000+
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| Additional Initiative started 4-2013 to address Oral Health of Older Adults in Johnson County. Oral Health Kansas, in partnership with Johnson County Health and Environment and community agencies serving older adults will design a system of oral health advocacy, public awareness and education that address the needs of older adults. | **Advocacy:**
Oral Health Kansas (OHK) 2014 Advocacy Agenda approved by OHK's Board of Directors. Plans are in place to meet with the Legislative Committee and Silver Haired Legislators in January. | |
| **Public Awareness:**
The older adult meal program agreed to include oral health tips and brief articles in the weekly printed menus. JCCC Dental Hygiene students will provide the written material. | **Education:**
JCCC hosting 2 oral health workshops in 2014. June 6, 2014, Saroj Gupta, DDS will present a 4-hour workshop on the interactions of oral health with other chronic diseases that plague older adults. |
In the late Fall 2014, OHK’s Older Adult Oral Health Coalition will design and convene a day-long symposium on evidence-based prevention strategies that reduce the risk of oral disease in older adults.

**Access to Care Plans for Oral Health of Older Adults:**
1. Research the need for and opportunities to offer dental hygiene services at community sites
2. Determine with Health Partnership Dental Clinic Director the capacity to serve additional patients
3. Produce a written analysis of dental insurance available to individual older adults

**2014 Activities:**
Planning for 2015 - Interviewing and documenting oral health services by dental hygienists in long term care communities.

Launching the speaker’s series in long term care organizations, high-rises and Meal Programs this Spring as well as bringing together the committee in the group again. We have identified other people who are interested in being active in this as being a more intentional rather than being an informal work group that helped in initial planning.

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<th>By Dec. 31, 2012</th>
<th>A print media campaign was completed at over 99 locations across Johnson County for an estimated 8.3 million impressions.</th>
<th>J. Katz - Regional Prevention Center, C. Roeder-Esser - JCMNH, K. Herndon - JCDHE</th>
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<td><strong>Mental Health/Substance Abuse:</strong> Reduce the stigma associated with mental illness, improve recognition of mental disorders among community members, improve the community’s ability to intervene with mentally ill individuals by:</td>
<td>By Jan. 1, 2017</td>
<td>1 &amp; 2) 94 people from across Johnson County attended the MHFA classes in 2012. Four MHFA classes were promoted and taught in 2012. Six MHFA classes were promoted and taught to 116 participants in 2013. Three more trainings are scheduled for an additional 120 participants by the end of December 2013. The workgroup promoted the class monthly.</td>
<td>J. Katz, C. Roeder-Esser, K. Herndon, A. Tarwater-Gaston – Marillac, Diane Hendricks, MH/SA Work Group</td>
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1) Providing Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) classes to at least 90 individuals from a variety of community sectors through class scholarships.

2) Promoting the Mental Health First Aid class at least three times per year, to ensure maximum enrollment in classes.

3) Providing community education on the interconnectedness between mental health and substance abuse.

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<td>3) Community education took place via posters and a focus group of teens from Marillac that discussed the interconnectedness of mental health and substance abuse in 2012.</td>
<td>In 2013, six national awareness days were chosen to promote mental health / substance abuse awareness via emails to the greater Johnson County community.</td>
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<td>Received permission to promote national awareness days to Johnson County Government staff six times a year. Promoted National Suicide Prevention Day and National Family Day in Autumn 2013.</td>
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<td>Assisted JCMNH with revising the parent information handout provided to all parents with children admitted to mental health centers in Johnson County.</td>
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<td>Completed all required tasks to receive a $10,000 grant from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services to fund underage drinking prevention activities.</td>
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<td>In 2014, the Mental Health/Substance Abuse work group received a $10,000 grant from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services. The grant allowed for the planning and implementation (in early 2015) of an evidence-based program FAST (Families and Schools Together) designed to strengthen family ties and increase well-being. School staff, community partners and work group members have been trained in the curriculum. The program will take place at Merriam Park Elementary School (Shawnee Mission School District).</td>
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<td>Hosted a Town Hall Meeting in April 2014, where Dr. Richard Benson spoke to an audience of nearly forty people, on mental health, substance abuse and other teen issues.</td>
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<td>Collaborated with the Blue Valley Recreation Commission to implement changes to policies and the coach’s code of conduct that requires coaches to take an active role in the prevention of activities.</td>
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Held Café Conversations in April with more than 150 parents and middle school students from Blue Valley School District's Pleasant Ridge and Lakewood Middle Schools for dinner and activities to promote discussion about underage drinking. Students learned skills for resisting substance use, and educated and empowered parents were educated and empowered to pursue conversations about prevention.

Other 2014 initiatives included:
- Partnered with Shawnee Mission School District to develop a mental health crisis management referral protocol for staff, and consulted on the creation of a new wellness website for staff and community members to support students and families with mental health and substance abuse issues.
- Promoted the 2014 CASA Family Day initiative, collaborated with food pantries across the county to distribute nearly 1500 promotional pieces encouraging family meals and conversation.
- Ongoing promotion and support for Mental Health First Aid.
- Supported United Community Services in the development of a flyer (Keeping Connected) to help families with children transitioning from psychiatric care to school.
- Promoted a variety of national mental health and substance abuse awareness dates through the development of informative e-mails.
- Participated in a pilot project with the University of Kansas’ Master of Public Health program to assess coalition dynamics and efficacy.
- Provided Spanish translations for many of our projects, such as FAST and our Family Day promotional pieces.