

Landmann-Jungman Memorial Hospital

2016 Community Health Needs Assessment Implementation Strategy

Introduction

Landmann-Jungman Memorial Hospital conducted a Community Health Needs Assessment in 2016. This assessment has identified the health care community's strengths as well as determined the health care needs not met in the Scotland area. Our goal is to determine these needs as well as implement programs to better serve those in the community.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act enacted March 23, 2010, contains new requirements for tax-exempt hospitals to complete a Community Health Needs Assessment at least once every three years. The objective is to identify the health needs of a community enabling the hospital to plan and deliver the most effective services and programs to address those needs identified. The assessment includes input from individuals representing the broad interests of the community, including those with special knowledge or expertise in public health. This process creates a collaborative partnership between the hospital and other entities in the community and service area to address the needs of their mutual patient populations.

The Community Health Needs Assessment for the Landmann-Jungman Memorial Hospital is based on information relevant to: current services offered, geographic area, primary and secondary services, data collected related to health findings, access to care, and community needs.

Findings and Recommendations

Upon the completion of the Community Health Needs Assessment process, various needs were identified in 2016. The needs were identified to be the most prevalent throughout the process and were determined by a prioritization process. The results of the community health needs assessment focus group and public health expert's interview comments were reviewed and common themes were identified. Criteria were based on the significance of each need, economic feasibility, and potential of impact, probability of success and value of the presented theme. These needs were identified to be the most prevalent:

- *Blood Pressure Screenings*
- *Shortage of EMTs for the Ambulance*
- *Diabetic Education Sessions*

- *Health and Wellness Information*

These needs will be the area of focus for 2016-2019. Plans are based on current status and may need to be adjusted after further evaluation of findings during the implementation process. Landmann-Jungman is going to make every effort to complete the four health needs.

Monthly Blood Pressure Screenings

Finding:

It was reflected through the focus group that there was a need to have a monthly blood pressure screening day.

Plan:

To meet community member needs, the Landmann-Jungman nursing staff will plan to have one day set aside in the month for blood pressure screenings. The date will be advertised in the local newspaper. Landmann-Jungman will provide the nursing resources necessary to do the screenings. Landmann-Jungman nurses will also continue to go to the Senior Center to offer blood pressure monitoring. Our goal is to reduce high blood pressure within our community. The screening process will also include education on the topics of nutrition, exercise and stress management all key elements to help community members with keeping their blood pressure under control.

Shortage of EMTs for the Ambulance

Finding:

Shortage of trained Emergency Medical Technicians for Emergency Care Services was a concern of individuals in the primary data collection process.

Plan:

Scotland Emergency Care Services is a community run service. Landmann-Jungman will discuss and explore the requirements to become an EMT and the cost. The hospital will collaborate with community members and businesses to create greater awareness around the shortage of EMT's. The hospital will explore ways to provide financial assistance to individuals that express interest in EMT training. The support and engagement of the community is essential in addressing this need. The anticipated outcome is properly staffed emergency services and increased safety for the community.

Diabetic Education Sessions

Finding:

It was reflected through the focus group that there was a lot of interest in having diabetic education on a monthly basis. The quantitative data findings also supported a need for diabetic education. The County Health Rankings reflected that 81 percent of diabetic Medicare recipients in Bon Homme County receiving their HBA1C screening. This is below the state and national rate. Obesity was also identified as a concern in the community, which also plays a significant role in many chronic diseases including diabetes.

Plan:

Landmann-Jungman will provide the resources to conduct monthly diabetic education classes at the hospital. The hospital will contract Nina Kappa's RD from Avera McKenna for her input for the classes as well as our three medical providers. By having these monthly education sessions Landmann-Jungman's goal is to educate the community on nutrition, exercise, weight management and blood sugar control and the importance of managing their HBA1C levels. This plan should also positively impact the HBA1C screening for Bon Homme County in future scoring thru the County Health Rankings.

Health and Wellness Information

Finding:

The assessment process also identified that the community would like more health related information as well as information about upcoming health related events.

Plan:

Landmann-Jungman will utilize the local newspaper to communicate more health related information and upcoming health related events. Landmann-Jungman will provide staff resources to educate our community on farm safety, breast cancer, diabetes, pharmacy program changes. The health related educational information will be communicated under the Landmann-Jungman Hospital Happenings. The hospital's goal is to have a more informed and educated community on a variety of health related topics-improving their health and well-being.

Board Approval

This report was prepared for and approved at the October 25, 2016 Landmann-Jungman Memorial Hospital Board of Directors regular meeting.

