Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) Report

Executive Summary

Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital (ASAH) is a not-for-profit hospital licensed for 25 acute care and swing beds located in O’Neill Nebraska. The facility is jointly sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of the Sacred Heart Monastery located in Yankton, South Dakota, and the Presentation Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Aberdeen, South Dakota. The sole corporate member of Avera St. Anthony’s is Avera Health, a South Dakota corporation, whose board of directors is comprised of sisters from the Benedictine and Presentation orders. Avera St. Anthony’s local Board of Directors has representatives from both orders, in addition to local community members.

Mission
Avera is a health ministry rooted in the Gospel. Our mission is to make a positive impact in the lives and health of persons and communities by providing quality services guided by Christian values.

Vision
Working with its partners, Avera shall provide a quality, cost-effective health ministry, which reflects Gospel values. We shall improve the health care of the people we serve through a regionally integrated network of persons and institutions.

As indicated in our vision and mission statements, our facility is driven by our commitment to the health and well-being of the community we serve and the creation of continued services to enhance our vision. As a non-profit, tax-exempt hospital we desire to provide accountability to the communities we serve as required by the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and Internal Revenue Code Section 501(r).

The defined community service area of Avera. St. Anthony’s Hospital is the geographic area of Holt County, Nebraska. Specific populations at higher health risk or that have poorer health outcomes were identified in this community as low-income, of Hispanic origin, and the elderly. We include all members of our community regardless of any inability to pay for care or financial assistance ineligibility. We attempt to address geographic, language and financial barriers to care and the social, behavioral and environmental factors that influence community health.

Demographics

While some residents of surrounding counties utilize Avera St. Anthony’s services, the defined community area is the geographic area of Holt County as indicated by hospital discharge data from the Nebraska Hospital Association. This
assessment and subsequent strategies will be targeted to this area due to our patient population base comprising 76 percent in Holt County and the next level of 9 percent for Boyd County, 5 percent for Brown County.

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Total 902

- **Service area**
  The population of Holt County is recorded as 10,178. Eleven percent of the residents are uninsured with a 2.4 percent unemployment rate. A person in poverty rate is 10.8 percent. The median income is $52,000. Hispanic residents comprise 4.9 percent of the population, with the Caucasian rate at 97.3. The Asian, Black and Native American ethnicity are represented at less than 1 percent each.
  Holt County ranks 2nd in Health Outcomes (2nd healthiest county in Nebraska) based on how long people live and how healthy they feel. Holt County is ranked 14th in Nebraska in Health Factors representing measures of health behaviors, clinical care, social & economic and physical environmental factors.
  - Sources: U.S. Census Bureau 2018 – Holt County & County Health Rankings.

- **Health care resources**
  Our community is served by a Rural Health Clinic (RHC) and our Primary Care Physician to Patient ratio is 1:850
  Holt County is within a HRSA-determined Health Professional Shortage Area or Medically Underserved Area as a priority score of 4 indicating a lesser priority on a scale of 1-26.
  - Sources: County Health Rankings, Health Resources & Services Administration.

- **Priority populations**
  Our geographic area requires special attention to the Hispanic community as well as the elderly and low income individuals/families. Language interpretation is a prominent need that accompanies this concern.

- **Hospital data**
  - The most prevalent emergency room visits of our hospital address the top 5 conditions:
    1. Noninfective gastrointestinal
2. Urinary tract infections
3. Acute upper respiratory
4. Chest pain
5. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

Charity Care for 2018 offered $735,951 to assist those in need.

**Data Collection and Analysis/Assessment Process**

Beginning in July 2018 a core team of North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) staff members working with key partners from participating hospitals began preparing for the next round of community health assessment activities. Work during this phase involved thoroughly reviewing and using Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) guidance resources on the National Association for City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) website.

MAPP is an interactive strategy used to gather data, select public health priorities, and foster collaboration among multiple health care providers. MAPP is a community-driven strategic planning tool for improving community health. This tool helps a community apply strategic thinking to prioritize public health issues and identify resources to address them.

Utilizing the MAPP strategy to provide critical insights into the health challenges and opportunities confronting the community, the following four assessments assisted in the prioritization of our community health needs:

- Community Health Status Assessment
- Community Themes and Strengths Assessment
- Forces of Change Assessment
- Local Public Health System Assessment

As the participant element of the process is critically important for building commitment, engaging community members, and achieving a plan that is truly community-owned and community-driven, several initiatives were undertaken to achieve significant progress in this arena. Key activities included a brainstorming session with NCDHD staff members and the North Central Community Care Partnership (NCCCP) members using public health sector categories. There were frequent requests to current participants – via email at least monthly and at in-person meetings – to identify and contact potential participants, serving in key roles within public health sectors. Identified individuals were contacted by phone or email extending requests for participation in the CHNA process.

Avera St. Anthony’s utilized the data collection sources of SURVEY – PERSONAL INTERVIEWS – FOCUS GROUPS.
Process, key themes and community health needs identified from survey:

The NCDHD administered an online survey via Survey Monkey to gain the perspective of the community regarding health, community health issues, and quality of life. This survey was completed in December of 2018. GIS and Human Dimensions, LLC, assembled this assessment of public health and community well-being under the provision of the NCDHD, based largely upon data collected through the process of MAPP, behavioral health, and census data. A total of 406 community members answered the survey. Summary of the demographics is as follows:

- Average age: 47; Median: 48.5; Min. age: 19; Max age: 82
- Gender: Females: 90%; Males: 10%
- Race/ethnicity: White: 96.7%; Minorities: 3.3%
- Married: 78.5%
- College degree or higher: 71.6%
- Number of individuals living in home: 53% have 2 to 3 members in their household
- The majority of respondents to the survey are from Holt County (51%), followed by Knox County (18%).

The highest concern about health care expressed by respondents were related to the high cost of healthcare – 40 percent (e.g., "People unable to afford health insurance therefore not going to the doctor when needing to and then letting it get so bad that they come to the emergency room"), followed by shortage of healthcare professionals -17 percent (e.g., "In Atkinson, I am concerned about the nurse shortage as well as the physician shortage.")., lack of mental health services in the area – 6.4 percent (e.g., "Rural area, limited mental health services for medications and counseling. View of using mental health services in the rural area.")., and lack of accessibility due to long distances to get health care (e.g., "travel a long way for some health problems") – 4.7 percent.

The 2018 Community Health Assessment Survey asked about behaviors that may impact the overall health of the NCDHD community. Over three-fourth of respondents considered "Not enough exercise" as the most important behavior having an impact on the overall health of the community (76.6%), followed by "Texting while driving" (75.8%), and then by "Poor eating habits" (75.8%).
“Not getting vaccinated” (40.7%), “Human trafficking” (39.6%), and “Teenage pregnancy” (37.3%) were considered the least relevant behaviors having an impact on the health of the community.

The Survey asked about how many miles respondents travel to get health professional/services. Distance was mentioned as a top concern to receive health services in the NCDHD. Nearly five out of ten of community members travel more than 45 miles to receive health care services related to “Pediatrics”, or for “Oncology/cancer”. More than half of respondents travel more than 30 miles to receive services related to “Obstetrics/Oncology”.

Due to the importance of participation from a wide range of community members, efforts to identify, contact, and elicit participation continues to be an ongoing area of challenge.

Prior to receiving the community survey results, Avera St. Anthony's Hospital initiated a community focus group meeting and also personal interviews with electronic communication responses. The process involved determining their opinions on our community’s strengths, weaknesses, resources and improvements. Those providing community input and participation along with their responses are referenced below.

- Process, key themes and community health needs identified from PERSONAL INTERVIEWS/WRITTEN COMMENTS: These were received and conducted through January and February 2019.

Individual interviews were completed with the following representation of the medically underserved, low-income and minority populations:
- O'Neil Police Department (OPD)
- O'Neil Public Schools (OPS)
- North Central District Health Department
- Avera St. Anthony's Hospital Social Service Department
- University of Nebraska Lincoln Extension
- Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership
- O'Neil Ministerial Association
- United Methodist Church Food Pantry
- Holt County Economic Development
- Small Business Representative
- Community Parent

Responses were compiled into a table format:

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**RESOURCES:**
- Elderly Commodities
- Food Pantry
- WIC
- Immunizations
- Veteran’s Program
- Weatherization/Housing Rehab
- Diverse Faith Groups
- Sports/Scouting/Church Programs
- NECC/OPS Asst. Disabled Students
- Senior Center
- Valley Hope
- Avera Transport
- Bright Horizons
- New Beginnings Pregnancy Center
- Child Advocacy Center

**IMPROVEMENTS:**
- Radio Programs - Health Education
- FB Page – Q&A with Doctors
- Nutritional/Healthy Lifestyle Education
- Youth Drug & Alcohol Programs
- Coordination of Services
- Educate – Educate – Educate
- Hispanic Translation Services
- Need return to “Day Rehab” that was provided by Heartland Counseling but lost due to absence of grant funding. Wellness checks done by OPD but harder to do with loss of program.
- More transportation as Avera Bus is full
- Youth-led support group for drug use/abuse
- Whole family counseling – farmers
- In-Home elderly care

There were repeated attempts to solicit input from community members of the Hispanic population but unable to obtain. This group of individuals was then represented by the United Methodist Church Food Pantry that serves such member’s interests on a weekly basis.
Current services of Avera St. Anthony's Hospital provided that address many of the key themes:

- AICD Pacer Checks
- Athletic Training
- Audiology
- Behavioral Health
- Blood Bank
- Breast Care Surgeon
- Breast Feeding Education
- Car Seat Safety Checks
- Cardiology Clinic
- Cardiac Rehab
- Chemotherapy
- CT Scan
- Dexascan
- Diabetic Education/Shoe Fitting
- Diagnostic Radiographic Services
- Emergency Care
- ENT
- Expectant Parent Classes
- Fluoroscopy
- Health Screenings
- Holter Monitoring
- Home Health
- Kidney Dialysis
- Laboratory
- Lifeline
- Mammography
- Medicare D Services
- MRI
- Nuclear Medicine
- Nutrition Clinic
- OB/GYN
- Oncology Clinic
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopedics Clinic
- Orthotics & Prosthetics
- Pain Management
- Pastoral Care
- Pediatric Services
- In-Patient Pharmacy
- Podiatry Clinic
- PT/OT
- Pulmonary Services
- Respiratory Therapy Services
- Skilled Nursing Care
- Sleep Studies
- Social Services
- Speech Therapy
- Stress Testing
- Surgery Services
- Transportation
- Ultrasound
- Urology & Nephrology Clinic
- Vascular

Though posted to the facility’s public website, the most recent CHNA of 2016 did not produce any written comments for consideration, no paper copy requests nor were there any verbal contacts to address concerns. The CHNA Report of 2019 is made available to the community via the website of Avera Health and Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital.

- Process, key themes and community health needs identified from FOCUS GROUPS:

  Results of the CHNA Survey were presented to partners at a community prioritization meeting hosted by NCDHD. The most serious health issues identified within the survey for the health district were as follows:
  1. Cancer
2. Hypertension  
3. Obesity  
4. Heart Problems  
5. Diabetes

The group went through the visioning process, a Forces of Change worksheet, and the Community Themes and Strengths worksheet. Partners then individually listed their top 5 health concerns.

In 4 groups, partners listed the group’s top 5 health concerns and displayed them. As one group, the partners grouped similar health concerns together and create categories. Each person voted on two categories to be evaluated for application. The process resulted in three priorities: resources across a lifespan, mental health with a focus in substance abuse, and chronic care management and detection.

The following provided input and participation in the prioritization meeting on March 27, 2019.

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Groups addressed in their discussions the following question:
   In your community what gives you the greatest concern?
   *(Threats/Weaknesses)*
Prioritized comments are listed:
   1. A void for senior options between home and nursing home – have retirement housing but no assisted living.
   2. Limited restaurants
   3. Limited senior activities at Senior Center
   4. Mental health resources
   5. Drug abuse in community - Methamphetamine

**Priority Recommendations/Process**

On May 1, 2019 workgroup partners drafted the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) priority goals, objectives, and strategies deriving them from the previous focus group sessions. In this meeting it was decided that the workgroup would not address substance abuse or resources across a lifespan as stand-alone categories. With strong significance nationally, state-wide and locally and through a generalized approach, all of the serious health issues will be able to be addressed within the determined priorities due to their all-encompassing nature.

The specific criteria considered in identifying prioritized needs evolved from review of the survey and focus group meetings contributing to the MAPP assessment. It was determined by 7 representatives of hospital leadership from the district, members of the NCDHD, Holt County Emergency Management, retired person of the district and an OPS Psychologist through discussion and agreement to recommend evaluation of the following priorities in the Implementation Strategy Report:
   1. Chronic Disease Detection & Management
   2. Mental Wellness

Work groups for each priority health issue will meet regularly to implement action plans and ensure progress is being made to obtain goals. NCDHD will assist in convening these meetings and measuring progress with each work plan.

Potentially Available Resources: The following may be utilized to address the significant health needs of our community:
Conclusion

Focus groups of the health department and members of the hospital administrative team will further define the goals and objectives through the Implementation Strategy process which will be submitted no later than November 15, 2019. Evaluation of the implementation strategies will be through an Impact Report and tracked within the Quality Improvement Committee which meets quarterly.

The CHNA and CHIP of the NCDHD can be accessed on their website: http://www.ncdhd.gov

Evaluation of Impact on 2016 Health Priorities

COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT
IMPACT REPORT 2016-2018

PRIORITY AREAS – Physical Wellness and Mental Wellness

Goals:

1. Enhance population health through promotion of community assistance initiatives.
   Avera St. Anthony’s will continue to support programs previously established with known positive impact while promoting alternative volunteer groups to identify the recognized needs of compromised individuals or families. It is the intent to work with Ministerial Associations, School Extracurricular/Governmental/Civic groups and Senior Living organizations to address a demonstrated community need of home assistance.

Status Report

2016

- October – Area school counselors, mental health practitioners and ministerial members were invited to attend the Avera sponsored Ethics program focusing on Mental Health and Suicide. This 8 hour educational opportunity was provided at Avera St. Anthony’s at no cost
with lunch provided. Professionals in nursing, mental health and social work were in attendance.

- Medicare D Program - October through December: Assistance was provided to applicable community citizens. Social Services personnel performed 363 one-to-one contacts, 260 phone contacts, 10 email/postal contacts with 273 total eventual enrollments.

- Community Transportation Services – Total boardings of 13,941 serving 8,642 people, travelling 38,701 miles for a variety of personal reasons and/or medical appointments.

- Public Health Screens – During the month of April and October, Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital provided the public with the opportunity of reduced cost blood profile testing. There were 1168 screenings done in April and 595 in October assisting a total of 1700+ persons with an awareness of their health status.

2017

- Partnership with NCDHD – Participates in bi-monthly meetings of focus groups to enhance progression through strategic plan of the north central district.

- Tend My Flock Mentoring Program: Attempts to incorporate program existence into the community for the benefit of families in area with need for parenting support and other mental health services. Meetings held to discuss testimonials, liability insurance concerns and program sponsorship within the Holt County community. Progress in this local endeavor was discussed as a United Way Venture Grant had been submitted with interest of support from the O’Neill Ministerial Assoc., O’Neill Public Schools, West Holt Ministries and Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital. Verbal, physical and financial supportive agreements were made by said groups but The United Way Venture Grant application was denied. Members of the Tend My Flock group continued to meet to research grants and access/solicit financial support to initiate program.

- WE CARE Food Pantry - Offered booth of information regarding local community resources for February 21 and March 21. Minimal interest from community participants. Continued participation and presence in assisting this community effort on a monthly schedule.

- O’Neill Ministerial Association (OMA) – Provide guidance and documentation of assistance program that offers aid to community members or transient persons in an emergent situation. From June –
December there were >25 individuals/families that were assisted with housing, utility, food through the management of the OMA support program.

- Medicare D Program – Medicare D Services are provided throughout the year, Jan. through December 2017. 464 contacts were had with beneficiaries: 137 Phone contacts, 321 face to face contacts, and 6 through mail/fax. There were a total of 158 enrollments completed.

- Community Transportation Services – There were 14,130 boardings assisting 8808 individuals, travelling 51,842 miles for a variety of personal reasons and/or medical appointments.

- Public Health Screens – During the month of April and October, Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital provided the public with the opportunity of reduced cost blood profile testing. There were 1105 screenings done in April and 474 in October assisting a total of 1500+ persons with an awareness of their health status.

2018

- WE CARE Food Pantry – Presence at monthly food drives to assist with set up, traffic control, registration, distribution of food and clean up. Low income population served with a variety of age groups and minority. Food Pantry event ceased its operation after December.

- Medicare D - Through Open Enrollment, October 15 through December 7, 2018 Social Services assisted 274 Medicare Beneficiaries to review their Medicare D prescription plans. 222 of these beneficiaries were seen in personal presence, and the remaining 52 individuals were assisted through phone contact. 187 of these individuals changed to a new prescription plan. The total cost savings for the beneficiaries was $89,545.00

- O’Neill Women’s Health Conference 6/26/18 – Provided community booth and administered 40 finger-stick blood sugar tests.

- O’Neill Ministerial Association (OMA) – From January through December 42 individuals/families received support for emergent situations. Application management and monetary distribution remains a primary role. Following a Federal Government ICE raid in the community in August, the Hispanic population of O’Neill and some surrounding communities became challenged with employment, family dynamics and financial stress. The OMA joined efforts with the O’Neill Cares Coalition to provide humanitarian assistance for those affected and provided a
fiscal location for donated funds from a variety of state and national organizations and individuals. With Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital as a member of the OMA, we assisted with the distribution and allocation of funds through an application process and maintained the data collection of the applications. Approximately 100+ families requested some form of aid. These efforts continue as long as a need is identified. A weekly food pantry at United Methodist Church is maintained with our presence twice a month to distribute financial assistance.

- Public Health Screens – There were 966 community members receiving blood testing and opportunities for B/P and Colon Cancer screenings in April. October screenings assisted 481 individuals, with extra screenings for prostate cancer and diabetes.

- Tend My Flock Mentoring program - In July of 2018, the O'Neill Community Foundation awarded the Tend My Flock group a $2,000 grant to implement the Befriend Mentoring program. Also Pinnacle Bank shared their intention to donate money toward purchasing the program. With multiple partnerships and connections formed, progression of efforts moved forward and future direction of sustainment gained strength. Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital committed to support and join in the efforts of others through a financial contribution.

2. Improve access to physical/mental wellness activities through partnership with community organizations to maintain and populate programs already in existence.
Through collaboration with local entities Avera St. Anthony’s will explore known programs and offer increased input and health-related expertise to encourage and improve participation.
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2016

- March - Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital’s Department of Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation partnered with Avera Heart Hospital and Northeast Community College to bring a giant cardiac display called the “Mega Heart” for the public to tour on March 9 & 10, 2016. The walk-through inflated display provided visual knowledge of how the heart works. Northeast offered its location for the event, helping Avera with this community-education event. The Safe Kids Fair was also a part of this community partnership opportunity. There were 422 school students
and 38 adults passing through the multitude of booths that addressed various aspects of safety and wellness.

- Partnership with NCDHD
  - June 17, July 15, Sept. 16 – Mental Health Focus Group.
  - July 21, Aug. 25, Oct. 27, Nov. 29 – Physical Wellness Focus Groups

- Environmental Support – Provision of meeting space for Women of Cancer Support Group (meets every other month) and Chooz to Lose Weight Loss Group (meets weekly)

2017

- Participation in Mental Health First Aid training provided locally by Region IV Behavioral Health. Program was held on March 14, 2017. Attendees from O'Neill Valley Hope and Avera St. Anthony’s Hospital.

- Partnership with NCDHD - Participates in bi-monthly meetings of focus groups to enhance progression through strategic plan of the north central district.

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3. Advance generalizable knowledge by publicizing known activities/resources on local multi-media outlets.

Guided by desire for improved accessibility Avera St. Anthony’s will work to streamline community events into a recognizable technological format for public viewing.

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2016
• Consulted with Counseling and Enrichment Center on July 18 to review potential awareness strategies of Mental Health issues. Provided follow up to Medical Staff on August 3rd. Received approval to pursue ideas for radio broadcast that addresses potential strategies.

• November – Publicized through radio and newspaper the Public Health screening events.

2017

• April – Publicized Public Health screening events through radio and newspaper outlets.

• Partnership with NCDHD CHIP Meeting
  ➢ KBRX Mental Health Forum – August 21-25: Utilize the radio media outlet to address mental health issues, CHIP efforts and resources for community listeners. Message provided through on-air broadcasts with contributions from local Mental Health counselor and Directors of Mission Services and Social Services. Financial expense allocated to Community Benefit.
  
  ➢ Mental Health Awareness Video - completed and released to Social Media and websites on Aug. 22. Video entitled “O’Neill Talks About Mental Health” featured community leaders promoting awareness and the importance of seeking help. Financial expense allocated to Community Benefit.

  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qM_TShT9f3A&feature=youtu.be

  ➢ Mental Health Screening Tool - Workgroup developed tool with distribution to various organizations.

2018

• April – Publicized Public Health screening events through radio and newspaper outlets.

• October 10 – Mental Health Awareness Day: Re-Posted video “O’Neill Talks About Mental Health” on Facebook page and hospital website. To reawaken the awareness that “Help is out there”.

Approval

This Community Health Needs Assessment report is thus adopted by the authorized, governing body of Avera St. Anthony's Hospital on this date of June 26, 2019.

Avera St. Anthony's Hospital Governing Board approval:

[Signature]
Name and Title

06.26.19
Date