

Rumford Hospital Community Benefit Implementation Strategy

In support of the 2015 Maine Shared Health Needs Assessment and Planning Process Project, Rumford Hospital engaged in an assessment of the health needs of Oxford County. Rumford Hospital's goal is to respond to identified community health needs, provide access and improve health status for all citizens; especially the vulnerable and underserved, and be a leading institution of improved health for the communities we serve.

Driven by our mission to provide safe, reliable, high quality care for every patient, every day, we believe our provision of providing community benefit is an expression of our commitment to the uncompromising pursuit of excellence in healthcare by improving community health and wellness. In our role as community citizen, we hold ourselves accountable to our internal and external constituents for the stewardship of our resources and not-for-profit, tax exempt status. Rumford Hospital integrates community benefit into ongoing processes of planning, budgeting and reporting.

Community forums were held with citizens of Oxford County attending a variety of focus groups to discuss the current and future Health needs in our region. Input provided during the discussion groups was summarized into three community health concerns that have become Rumford Hospital's Implementation strategy.

- Substance abuse: Community outreach; Educational sessions, and local drug/alcohol coalition involvement
- Mental health: (Free) educational sessions and mental health awareness.
- Hunger: education on healthy eating; working with agencies producing food availability increasing health to the community we serve.

Target areas and priority populations:

Our goal for our implementation plan is to assist all populations, including the vulnerable and underserved.

Major health needs identified and how priorities determined

A local community stakeholder group worked together to analyze the results from the OneMaine CHNA for the Oxford County Community with the health care indicators of concern bridged with Healthy 2020, supporting the development of the Rumford Hospital's Community Benefit Implementation plan.

Approval

Annually at the Rumford Hospital governing board of directors meeting, the community benefit implementation strategy will be presented for addressing priorities identified and other plans for community benefits.

Respectfully,

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President, Bridgton Hospital
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