

# Wood County

Community Health Status Assessment

# 2015



**Examining the Health  
of Wood County**



# FOREWORD

The members of the Wood County Health Partners are pleased to present the 2015 Wood County Community Health Assessment. This comprehensive Community Health Assessment is the result of a strong commitment by dedicated community partners working together to improve the health and quality of life of Wood County residents.

The health assessment gives us a snapshot of our community as well as a comparison to the state of Ohio and our nation. It is our wish that the data presented will provide valuable information to many organizations to develop strategies and implementation of services that will focus on wellness, access to care, and unmet community needs. It will provide insight into our community's structure in the areas of health and well-being.

This data will allow community stakeholders to write better grants, formulate strong strategic plans and answer a call to action. The result will be a community that will focus on wellness, improve the general health status, increase access to services and address unmet needs. This report will influence our current course of action and support new areas of interest within the community.

However, when using this publication for planning purposes the process should look more in depth at the results, seek additional sources of information from service providers and identify the target population to put the findings in perspective.

This effort should continue to inspire the community to work together to remove barriers to health improvement. It is the Wood County Health Partners' wish that community groups will persevere in meeting the challenges presented by the findings in this assessment.

In conclusion, we want to express our appreciation to the many community leaders and organizations for their support in making this health assessment a reality and the Hospital Council of Northwest Ohio for guiding this process.

Sincerely,

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