2022 Wood County CHIP Forces of Change Assessment

Force of Change	Threats Posed	Opportunities Created
1. COVID-19 pandemic (10)	• Health providers lacking workers reducing services (3) • Cost of resources and supply chain (2) • Decreased socialization leading to poor mental health • Competition with other public health priorities • Impacts on medical system • Psychological impacts (i.e., anxiety, depression) • Non-affordable housing • Food insecurity • Burn out of health care workers • Loss of relationship • Preventive services not completed • Working from home	• Opportunities to reconnect the community • Innovative recruiting tactics • Wage analysis • Increased partnerships • Innovation of service delivery • Opportunity to reshape vaccination policies • Enhance behavioral health access • Increased workforce • Resources available for affordable housing • Telemental health services • Minority employment • Information sharing (i.e., Zoom) • Working from home
2. Increase in mental health issues affecting adults and children (7)	• Lack of providers (3) • Unstable home environment (2) • Unemployment due to inability to work • Increase of bullying, violence, and suicide • Increased use of ATOD • Abuse/neglect • Suicide/ideation • Difficulty retaining jobs/relationships • Unwanted pregnancy • Stigma	• Mental health program opportunities • Expansion of child mental health services • Use telepsychiatry • Build mental health into school curriculum • Mentoring programs • Expand workforce • Address stigma
3. High rate of obesity in adults and children (4)	• Health risks related to obesity • Cardiovascular disease • Diabetes • Arthritis • Increased mental health issues • Health care cost increased • Delayed health care advice	• Healthier options in school cafeterias (2) • Education and advocacy • Workplace physical activity programs/policies • Community gardens • Increased walking/bike paths • Community game nights

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4. Lack of affordable housing (4)	• Further economic strain on families • Reduced resources to invest in health • Long wait list for subsidized housing • People staying in violent or dangerous situations to avoid homelessness • Lack of stability for kids who have to change schools frequently • Increase in chronic stress and trauma • Increased demand for shelter	• May lead to hiring or innovation in housing industry • Incentive property owners to accept vouchers for housing • Provide tax breaks to developers who build affordable units • Enforcement of local rules on sources of income discrimination in housing • Housing codes/safety issues
5. Lack of affordable health care (4)	• Decrease in people with health care benefits • Unable to get access to health care needs • Decrease in population health • Undiagnosed chronic disease • Poor nutrition choices • Dental issues • Inability to purchase necessary medication	• Expended services • Need for low-income health care options • Education opportunities • Legislative enlightenment • Telehealth
6. Cuts to Medicaid (2)	• 5,000 Wood County residents will be removed from Medicaid • Lack of treatment access for chronic conditions • People feeling worried about not being able to care for themselves or family members • Failure of government to protect its citizens from disease • Increase of costs to all other payers to make up difference in costs of care by for-profit health entities	• Additional profits for for-profit health care companies • Outreach
7. Impact of social media on health status (2)	• Increased feelings of anxiety, depression, and suicide tendencies • Sedentary lifestyle • Isolation	• Develop programming to reach affected individuals
8. Supply chain pressures and limitations (2)	• Shortages will drive up the cost of care or may limit access	• N/A
9. Increase in Adult Protective Services cases	• Lack of LTC beds causing elders to live unsafely	• Development of supports for LTC facilities
10. Socialization and resiliency changes in youth	• Isolation • Depression	• Development of socialization programs and outreach

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11. Restrictions on immigration at the federal level	• Exacerbated shortage of health care workers • Stress on already overwhelmed system	• Increased wages and better employee retention practices
12. Increased cost of new cars, used cars, and gas	• Fewer people to maintain reliable transportation to/from work and school • Overwhelming need for NETPlus services for medical appointments • Lack of tax revenue as fewer people buy gas to travel	• Allocation of more funds for agency-based transportation • Development of a county-wide public transportation system that is not appointment-based but rather runs on a regular schedule and connects all of our communities
13. Economic Recession and the rising cost of transportation in Wood County	• Individuals may lose the ability to travel even locally for health care, and other social needs	• More effective public transportation
14. Selfishness	• Failure to sacrifice for a greater good • Failure to emphasize with others	• Empathy in conversations • Grasp that we are individuals who are living in the community
15. Funding	• Level or diminished funding may strain existing services	• Funding increases can stabilize and expand opportunities to address health priorities
16. The "Great Resignation" and reduction in workforce	• Providers in Wood County may not be able to fully respond to demands for care • Individuals may "opt out" of health care professions or pursue training in other areas.	• Re-assess how patient care work teams are built for care delivery • Develop new programs and incentives to bring more individuals into roles in Nursing and the Allied Health professions.
17. Use of tobacco and vaping	• Poorer cardiovascular and respiratory health • Risk of moving to use of other drugs • Inability to get/retain jobs • Poverty • Food insecurity • Housing insecurity • Abuse/neglect	• Tobacco/vaping education opportunities • Job retention
18. Erosion of shared truth	• Confusion over common talking points • Failure to arrive at consensus	• Community shares some things in common about purpose • Community acting together • Common source facts
19. Failure to delay immediate gratification	• Deviant behavior • Short term living • Avoidance of pain and suffering	• Living towards a preferred future • Resiliency to suffering • Better daily decisions
20. Staffing	• Insufficient staff • Patents waiting long periods	• Training programs offered or held at the hospital
21. Proximity to major highways	• Increase in substance use issues • Sex trafficking	• Specialized programming • Access to different funds

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22. Increased poverty levels	• Food insecurity • Homelessness • Stress	• Opportunities to provide job training and job programs
23. Increased number of older adults	• Decreased socialization • Food insecurity • Failing health	• Ways to connect older adults with services
24. Rural county	• Lack of housing • Transportation difficulties • Reduce access to services	• Making relationships with stakeholders
25. Dissolve of family unit	• Lack of parental responsibility • Instability in children's lives • Failure to pass down an identity	• Parental skill workshops • Children's sense of self secured • Resiliency to crisis
26. COVID-19 pandemic fatigue	• Reduced motivation to engage in new initiatives • Impacts on community connections	• Join recovery strengthens existing community connections • Innovating so future impacts do not reduce ability to remain connected
27. Screen time	• Inactivity • Sedentary lifestyle • Obesity • Increased risk of chronic diseases	• Connected throughout community via online

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