

HEALTHY/ORK

THE COALITION FOR A HEALTHIER YORK COUNTY



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LETTER FROM COALITION CHAIR & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

For more than 29 years, Healthy York Coalition has been convening community conversations and critical stakeholders around key community health issues. With our key tenets as an organization of assessment, collaboration and mobilization, we continually strive to fulfill our mission and champion a healthier York County.

The challenges affecting the health of our community are complex, but together we continue to recognize the value of partnerships and working towards a common goal, a more equitable future for all.

We are extremely grateful to all who have shaped Healthy York Coalition's past and will continue to forge a path for the needs of everyone in our community. Health is paramount to a thriving York, and with your help we will continue to build the Coalition's capacity for greater impact in the future.

Please join us. A healthier York County can only happen when we work together!



Natalie Williams,
Executive Director
Healthy York Coalition



Jenny Englerth, Chair
Healthy York Coalition
President & CEO
Family First Health

MISSION



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The Healthy York Coalition assesses health needs, convenes community partners and facilitates action to drive progress toward better health for all.

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VISION

Working together to champion a healthier York County.

ABOUT

The Healthy York County Coalition was established in 1994, bringing together stakeholders from across the community to discuss common health goals and collaborative opportunities. For more than 29 years, over a 100 volunteers have worked to advocate for policy change, establish programs and services, and produce and distribute educational materials around community health issues.

Healthy York has been proudly supporting and advancing the health of York County for more than 29 years. Throughout its history, the Coalition has collaborated with multisector partners to gain a robust understanding of the needs of the county.

The Coalition's work is driven by a strategic framework of goals anchored by three key tenants: assessment, collaboration, and mobilization.



COALITION PARTNERS

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Family First Health

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Community Progress Council

Crispus Attucks Association

Emergency Health Services Federation

Family First Health

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Hospice & Community Care

Jewish Family Services of York

Katallasso Family Health Center

Leadership York

Leg Up Farm

Mental Health America

National Association for Mental Illness

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

OSS Health

PA-211 (Contact Helpline)

Pappas House

Penn State York

Pressley Ridge

Public Safety Collaborative

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Representative Carol Hill Evans' Office

SpiriTrust Lutheran

Susquehanna Valley Community

Mental Health Services

TrueNorth Wellness

United Way of York County

UPMC Pinnacle Hanover

UPMC Pinnacle Memorial

Utz Quality Foods

VNA of Hanover & Spring Grove

WellSpan Health

YMCA of York & York County

York Area Housing Group

York City Health Bureau

York College of Pennsylvania

York County - Area Agency on Aging

York County Assistance Office

York County Community Foundation

York County Coalition on

Homelessness

York County Economic Alliance

York County Food Alliance

York County Hispanic Coalition

York County Human Services

York County Libraries

York County Literacy Council

York County Planning Commission

York County Rail Trail Authority

York Jewish Community Center

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

● ASSESSING COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS

- In partnership with Community Progress Council and York College Center for Community Engagement, 11 focus groups were held in targeted locations throughout the County of York. The goal of the focus groups was to gather additional information from community members around social determinant of health needs.
- Those locations included Hanover, City of York, Delta/Fawn Grove, Hallam and Lewisberry with additional sessions conducted for Spanish speaking residents .
- Over 40 individuals provided feedback on issues such as overall well being, childcare, transportation, housing, food and employment.
- To read the full report visit healthyyork.org

● CONVENING COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Hosted “Community Conversation-Working Together to Improve Community Health & Well Being ” on Tues. April 18th where over 135 attendees heard from presenters around closed loop referral systems from health care organizations. This event was a kick-off event for York County Care Coordination Project, which is a systems level project intended to improve community health through social determinants of health care coordination, bi-directional referrals and shared intake.
- Convened 4 Leadership Council meetings where presentations and coalition priorities were discussed. Topics included community based mental well being programs, CHNA focus group findings, post pandemic implications on public programs and mental health awareness month.
- Conducted environmental scans to inform health care and community partners on Community Health Improvement Plan areas in York County including housing, charitable food system, mental health services and public health.
- In partnership with the York County Coroner and Child Death Review Team, we have convened over 10 meetings with community partners to conduct an environmental scan regarding gun safety. Gap analysis and collaborative partners are being identified to further this important work.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

● ADVOCATING FOR INCREASED PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE

- Conducted presentation with elected leaders on the importance of public health countywide.
- The Blue-Ribbon Panel Advisory Committee drafted a research proposal for a stipend Ph.D. intern to conduct additional research around increasing York County Public Health infrastructure. The intended outcome of the proposal is to solidify additional information on countywide public health infrastructure and opportunities. Report publication forthcoming.

● OTHER NOTEWORTHY WORK

- Healthy York partnered with Tobacco Free York Co and Rep. Carol Hill Evans to hold a press conference and make a proclamation in support of the Great American Smoke Out on Nov. 17.
- With the support of Alliance for Personal Care Advancement (ALPHA) we successfully drafted and completed a transition plan for ALPHA to become a stand alone organization.
- Re-designed www.healthyyork.org and updated web content.
- Healthy York Coalition staff continue to support many other important community initiatives including:
 - York County Coalition on Homelessness (YCCH)
 - YCCH Program Funding Evaluation Team
 - Diabetes Coalition
 - Child Death Review Team
 - County of York Mental Health Awareness Month
 - County of York Emergency Management Business Advisory Group
 - York County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

PUBLIC HEALTH SUMMIT



Healthy York Coalition held our 2022 Health Summit which featured national keynote speaker Dr. Leana Wen.

More than 200 individuals attended representing health care, human service organizations and community members to heard Dr. Wen's keynote - "COVID-19 Implications on Health Care and Public Health."

The summit also featured CHNA data and interactive dialogue to discuss solutions to our community's most pressing community health needs.



2022
PUBLIC HEALTH SUMMIT

From the health topics discussed today, what do you believe are the most pressing issues facing our community?

What role can Healthy York Play?

OUR MISSION

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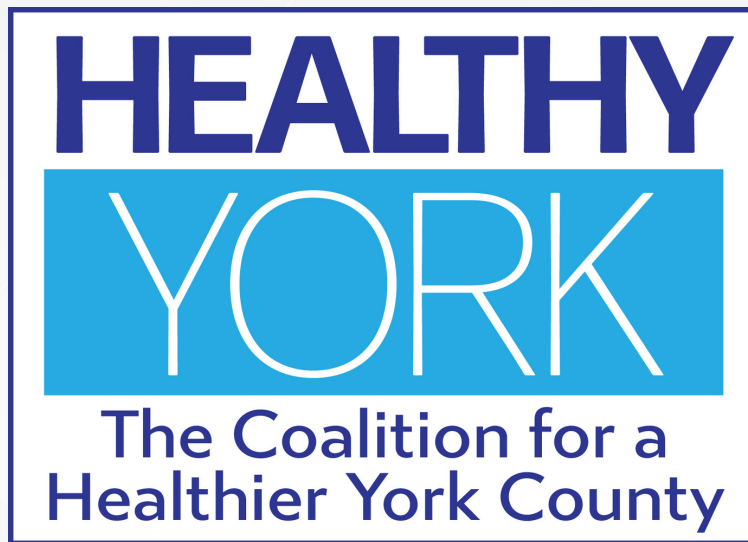
VISION

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Poverty	Limited health care workers for our aging population	The basics: food, housing, air & water
Healthcare Inequities	Addressing systematic disparities	Disparities in transportation
Mental Health Access	The need for equity in the disability community	Behavioral health, mental health and substance use disorder
Whole person health - mind and body	More attention and services to our children & schools	Affordable & accessible health care (physical & mental)
Mental Health issues		Mental health stigma
Social emotional health		
Lack of Mental Health evaluation & care for children	Lack of trust and dialogue	Urgent attention to children & youth, education and preventative services
Decreasing maternal morbidity & mortality in African American women	Increased care, funding & comprehensive planning for substance & alcohol use disorders	Trust of public health workers

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The Coalition for a Healthier York County

Journey to a Healthier York County - Tues, Sept. 20 - 8AM - 12PM



**A special note of thanks to
our more than 100
community volunteers &
partners for helping to
champion a healthier
York County.**

**Thank you to WellSpan
Health for their continued
support of Healthy York
Coalition.**

***Thank
you!***





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