

2014 JEFFERSON COUNTY HEALTH PRIORITIES

BACKGROUND: In Spring 2014, a group of community data users led by Jefferson Health Care and Jefferson Public Health reviewed the findings from a community health assessment to develop a list of top issues and final priorities.

PRIORITY: ACCESS TO CARE

OVERVIEW:

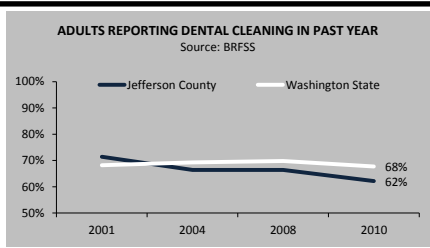
Access to care includes affordability, availability, accessibility, and acceptability. Preventive care includes an array of services intended to reduce the risk of disease. These include dental cleanings, screening tests, counseling, immunizations or medications to prevent disease, detect health problems early, or provide information to support good health-related decision making. Preventive services also include interventions and information to reduce the risk of injuries.

POTENTIAL ACTION AREA IDEAS:

The following are ideas only; community work groups will determine actions, goals and measures.

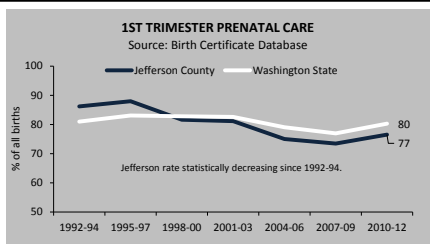
DENTAL:

Jefferson County has fewer dental providers than deemed necessary for a population of its size. Over time, fewer Jefferson adults have been getting annual dental cleanings.



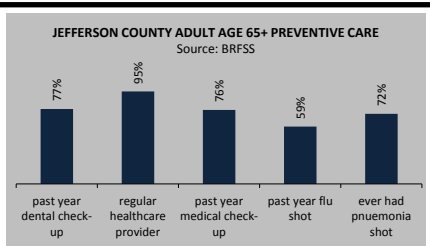
PRENATAL:

Fewer Jefferson pregnant women start prenatal care during the first trimester compared to previous years and the rates are much lower for pregnant women on Medicaid. JHC, WIC, and DSHS will assess barriers to early access.



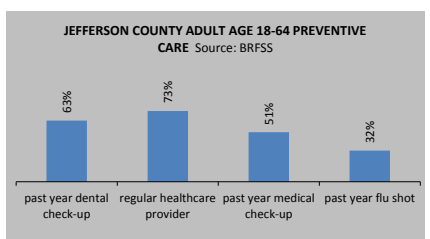
SENIORS:

Community will work to establish best practice programs for chronic disease and injury prevention among seniors. Further assessment is needed to understand specific needs of seniors.



YOUNGER ADULTS:

Health care affordability and accessibility are in transition under the Affordable Care Act; JCPH and JHC continue to enroll uninsured; many younger adults have historically low rates of preventive health, dental access, and insurance.



FACTS

JEFFERSON COUNTY HAS FEDERALLY DESIGNATED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREAS FOR PRIMARY & DENTAL CARE¹

14% OF ADULTS DO NOT GET NEEDED MEDICAL CARE DUE TO COST; 30% FOR LOW-INCOME²

78% OF ADULTS REPORT BEING ADEQUATELY INSURED; 53% FOR LOW-INCOME²

53% OF ADULTS REPORT HAVING DENTAL INSURANCE; 62% REPORT A DENTAL CLEANING IN THE PAST YEAR²

60% OF LOW-INCOME PREGNANT WOMEN START PRENATAL CARE IN THE 1ST TRIMESTER; 80% OF HIGHER INCOME PREGNANT WOMEN³

59% OF ADULTS AGE 65+ GOT A FLU SHOT IN THE PAST YEAR; 71% REPORT EVER GETTING A PNEUMONIA SHOT²

58% OF ADULTS REPORT A PAST YEAR ROUTINE MEDICAL CHECK-UP; 43% WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION OR LESS²

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Sources: 1. <http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/HPSASearch.aspx>. 2. Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. 3. WA State Dept. of Social and Health Services, Characteristics of Women Who Gave Birth. 4. Death Certificate Database.