



# Community health planning resources

Resource	Description	Website
ACHI Community Health Assessment Toolkit	The ACHI Community Health Assessment Toolkit is a guide for planning, leading and using community health needs assessments to better understand -- and ultimately improve -- the health of communities. This toolkit includes examples and guidelines to an assessment framework.	<a href="http://www.assesstoolkit.org/">http://www.assesstoolkit.org/</a>
Assessment Protocol for Excellence in Public Health	The Assessment Protocol for Excellence in Public Health (APEXPH) is a flexible planning tool developed for local health officials to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• assess the organization and management of the health department;</li> <li>• provide a framework for working with community members and other organizations to assess the health status of the community; and</li> <li>• establish the leadership role of the health department in the community</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/APEXPH/">http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/APEXPH/</a>
Asset-Based Community Development Institute	The Asset-Based Community Development Institute (ABCD) is at the center of a large and growing movement that considers local assets as the primary building blocks of sustainable community development. Building on the skills of local residents, the power of local associations, and the supportive functions of local institutions, asset-based community development draws upon existing community strengths to build stronger, more sustainable communities for the future. This Institute offers tools and trainings to mobilize asset-based community mapping and development.	<a href="http://www.abcdinstitute.org/about/">http://www.abcdinstitute.org/about/</a>
Catholic Health Association, Assessing and Addressing Community Health Needs	Assessing and Addressing Community Health Needs was developed to help not-for-profit health care organizations strengthen their assessment and community benefit planning processes. Using CHA's previous work, the experience of community benefit professionals and public health expertise, this book offers practical advice on how hospitals can work with community and public health partners to assess community health needs and develop effective strategies for improving health in our communities.	<a href="https://www.chausa.org/communitybenefit/printed-resources/assessing-and-addressing-community-health-needs">https://www.chausa.org/communitybenefit/printed-resources/assessing-and-addressing-community-health-needs</a>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Community Health Improvement Navigator	A one-stop-shop that offers hospitals and other community stakeholders expert vetted tools and resources for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identifying geographic areas of greatest need within communities,</li> <li>• establishing effective collaborations,</li> <li>• finding interventions that work for the greatest impact on health and wellbeing for all</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/CHInav">www.cdc.gov/CHInav</a>
Community Commons	County-level data on health outcomes, health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors and the physical environment. Maps of sub-county-level data available for some indicators. Vulnerable Populations Footprint tool provides sub-county maps of low educational attainment and high poverty. Breakouts by age, race/ethnicity, and other characteristics available for some indicators. Trend data available for some indicators. Includes data visualization, mapping, and CHNA report tools.	<a href="http://www.communitycommons.org/">http://www.communitycommons.org/</a>
Community Guide (Guide to Community Preventative Services)	The "gold standard" source for evidence-based public health interventions in community settings. Covers a wide range of health topics. Provides recommendations and identifies interventions for which there is insufficient evidence.	<a href="http://www.thecommunityguide.org/">http://www.thecommunityguide.org/</a>
Community Health Advisor	Database of evidence-based policies and programs to reduce tobacco use and increase physical activity. Includes interactive tool that generates state and county-level estimates of the health and cost impact of implementing specific interventions.	<a href="http://www.communityhealthadvisor.org/">http://www.communityhealthadvisor.org/</a>
Community Indicators Consortium	CIC offers a variety of resources to help indicators' practitioners as well as those just interested in learning about indicators projects, including: webinars, a database of community indicators projects, and resources relevant to the field of community indicators.	<a href="http://www.communityindicators.net/resources">http://www.communityindicators.net/resources</a>

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County Health Rankings Action Cycle	Each step on the Action Cycle is a critical piece of making communities healthier. There is a guide for each step that describes key activities within each step and provides suggested tools, resources, and additional reading.	<a href="http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/roadmaps/action-center/assessneeds-resources">http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/roadmaps/action-center/assessneeds-resources</a>
County Health Rankings & Roadmaps	County-level data on health outcomes, health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and the physical environment.	<a href="http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/">http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/</a>
HPIO Guide to Evidence-Based Prevention	Description of key concepts in evidence-based decision-making and guidance on how to identify credible sources of what works to improve health. Includes links to recommended sources of evidence to address Ohio's highest priority health problems.	<a href="http://www.healthpolicyohio.org/tools/health-policy-tools/guide-to-evidence-based-prevention/">http://www.healthpolicyohio.org/tools/health-policy-tools/guide-to-evidence-based-prevention/</a>
Healthy People 2020 MAP-IT Guide	The MAP-IT framework can be used to help: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• mobilize partners.</li> <li>• assess the needs of a community.</li> <li>• create and implement a plan to reach Healthy People 2020 objectives.</li> <li>• track a community's progress.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/tools-and-resources/Program-Planning">https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/tools-and-resources/Program-Planning</a>
HPIO Health Value Dashboard	Identifies Ohio's greatest health challenges and strengths. Includes state-level data for population health, healthcare cost, prevention and public health, access, healthcare system, social and economic environment, and physical environment. Provides links to local-level data when available.	<a href="http://www.healthpolicyohio.org/2014-health-value-dashboard/">http://www.healthpolicyohio.org/2014-health-value-dashboard/</a>
Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships	Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) is a community-driven strategic planning tool for improving community health. This tool includes detailed steps and guidelines for conducting a community assessment.	<a href="http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/mapp/framework/index.cfm">http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/mapp/framework/index.cfm</a>
NACCHO Resource Center for Community Health Assessments and Community Health Improvement Plans	The Resource Center for Community Health Assessments and Community Health Improvement Plans (CHA/CHIP Resource Center) provides practical, customizable tools and resources to all local health departments (LHDs) in a central and publicly accessible location. The resource center is intended to support LHDs and their partners in completing community health improvement processes, including the conduct of a community health assessment (CHA) and the development of a community health improvement plan (CHIP), for the purpose of improving the health of local communities.	<a href="http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/CHAIP/chachip-online-resource-center.cfm">http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/CHAIP/chachip-online-resource-center.cfm</a>
National Public Health Performance Standards	The National Public Health Performance Standards (NPHPS or the Standards) provide a framework to assess capacity and performance of public health systems and public health governing bodies. This framework can help identify areas for system improvement, strengthen state and local partnerships, and ensure that a strong system is in place for addressing public health issues.	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nphsp/">http://www.cdc.gov/nphsp/</a>
Ohio Department of Health Network of Care	County- and city-level data on a wide variety of health outcomes and behaviors as well as the social and physical environment. Breakouts by age, race, ethnicity, and other characteristics available for some indicators. Trend data and peer county comparisons available for some data.	<a href="http://www.odh.ohio.gov/features/odhfeatures/Network%20of%20Care.aspx">http://www.odh.ohio.gov/features/odhfeatures/Network%20of%20Care.aspx</a>
Principles to Consider for the Implementation of a Community Health Needs Assessment Process	This document identifies guiding principles to inform the implementation of the Affordable Care Act's community health needs assessment provisions applicable to not-for-profit hospitals that seek federal tax-exempt status. These principles offer a pathway for hospitals, public health entities and other interested parties to work collaboratively to address the health needs of their communities.	<a href="http://nnphi.org/CMSuploads/PrinciplesToConsiderForTheImplementationOfACHNAProcess_GWU_20130604.pdf">http://nnphi.org/CMSuploads/PrinciplesToConsiderForTheImplementationOfACHNAProcess_GWU_20130604.pdf</a>
University of Kansas Community Toolbox	This toolkit provides guidance for conducting assessments of community needs and resources. This includes examples and outlines for conducting community assessments.	<a href="http://ctb.ku.edu/en/assessing-community-needs-and-resources">http://ctb.ku.edu/en/assessing-community-needs-and-resources</a>
What Works for Health (County Health Rankings)	Searchable database of evidence-based programs and policies to address health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and the physical environment. Includes a rating of the strength of evidence for each strategy.	<a href="http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/roadmaps/what-works-for-health">http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/roadmaps/what-works-for-health</a>

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