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## NAVIGATING TO HEALTHY FUTURES

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Welcome to FloridaMAPP E-News, the Florida Department of Health (DOH)'s forum for news and discussion on community health assessment and health improvement planning. We strongly encourage you to submit questions, anecdotes, lessons learned and success stories to be shared with others across the state. These quarterly e-news bulletins will include information on activities, resources, and tips for conducting community health assessments in your county. Please share this e-news with community partners, colleagues, and anyone interested in impacting your community's health.

Best regards,

Chris Abarca and the Florida MAPP Team

### NEWS FROM THE FIELD

Florida's State Health Assessment Available for Public Comment. Florida and its health partners have conducted a comprehensive health assessment. Culminating in the State Health Assessment, a comprehensive perspective of Florida's health status, resources, strengths and opportunities for improvement is presented. We welcome public feedback on this document, the first of its kind in our state. Subject matter experts from across a diverse group of partners conducted the four types of assessments found in the report. Individually, each assessment yields an in-depth analysis of factors and forces that impact population health. The four assessments taken together contribute to a comprehensive view of health and quality of life in Florida and constitute Florida's State Health Assessment report. Because it provides essential information for discussion, prioritization and action, a state health assessment process is the foundation for improving and promoting the health of Florida's residents. The State Health Assessment is available at [http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Planning\\_eval/FloridaMAPP/SHA/index.html](http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Planning_eval/FloridaMAPP/SHA/index.html) .

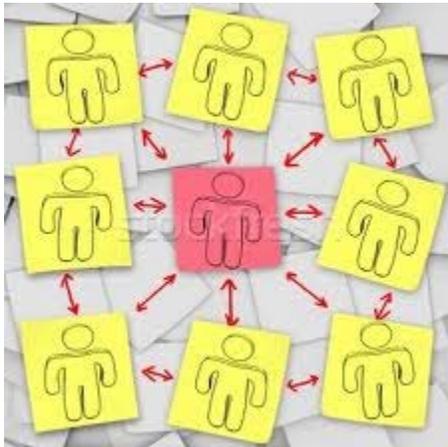
The Martin County Health Collaborative announced completion of the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) which identifies goals and strategies for improving the health needs of residents. The plan identifies three priorities: education and awareness of existing services, access to primary care services and access to mental health and substance abuse services. Sub-committees are now working to implement the strategies identified in the plan. The plan is available online at [www.MartinCountyHealth.com](http://www.MartinCountyHealth.com) , [www.unitedwaymartincounty.org](http://www.unitedwaymartincounty.org) , [www.cscmc.org](http://www.cscmc.org) , [www.mchealthystart.org](http://www.mchealthystart.org) , and [www.vimclinic.net](http://www.vimclinic.net) .



The Big Bend Better Living project was featured in the *Tallahassee Democrat*. An initiative of Gadsden, Gulf, Franklin, Jefferson, Leon, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla county health departments. The goal is to provide ideas for promoting healthier lifestyles by exercising more often, making dietary and cooking changes and increasing the fresh fruit intake. You can visit the website [www.bigbendbetterliving.org](http://www.bigbendbetterliving.org) that allows residents to post success stories, share healthy recipes, find links to health resources in the community and promote events.

Your CHDs and/or community's news belongs here! Share your news with colleagues; e-mail items to [Christine\\_Abarca@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Christine_Abarca@doh.state.fl.us)

**NEXT STATEWIDE MEET-ME CALL: MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2013 FROM 3-4 PM ET**



The regularly call in January has been cancelled. Mark your calendar and plan to join your colleagues from around the state for a conversation on community health assessment, health improvement planning, and MAPP on Monday, April 15 from 3-4 pm ET. This is an opportunity to express your opinions, ask questions, raise concerns, and share your achievements. The toll-free call-in number is 888-670-3525, conference code 303 761 7879#. The agenda will be e-mailed to members of the Florida MAPP distribution list. Send agenda items and/or additions to the distribution list to [Christine\\_Abarca@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Christine_Abarca@doh.state.fl.us)

**VISIT THE NEW FLORIDA MAPP WEB SITE AND WEB-BASED TOOL KIT**

We welcome your comments and suggestions on ways to improve the web site and will gladly post reports and/or products resulting from your assessment and planning work.



**WHAT'S NEW ON CHARTS?**

**FloridaCHARTS.com-a Fresh Design and New Features.**

The new CHARTS website was released in November. There are several usability enhancements that make CHARTS more functional. Get all reports with a single click! To see the new

design and features visit <http://www.floridacharts.com/> .



## EVENTS, RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

### EVENTS

Free Data and Reporting Resource for Community Health Needs Assessment Goes Live! The nationwide beta 2.0 launch of CHNA.org, a state-of-the-art, free, web-based utility that will prove to be an invaluable resource in the work we all do to assess and make measurable improvements in community health and well-being. To find out more information and how to register for upcoming webinars, visit <http://www.chna.org>.



County Health Rankings and Roadmaps is hosting a webinar to give a general overview of the program on Thursday, January 17 from 3-4pm ET. The webinar will discuss why rankings are useful; models and measures used; the four components of the County Health Roadmaps; and the website and its features. Visit <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/457148824> to register for the free webinar.

### OPPORTUNITIES, GRANTS AND REWARDS

Avon Foundation for Women Invites Grant Proposals for Healthy Relationship College Program. Twenty-five grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to nonprofit college and university organizations in the United States with programs that address dating abuse, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness. To find out more, visit <http://www.avonfoundation.org/> . The deadline to apply is January 11, 2013.

AIDS United Invites Grant Applications for Southern REACH Program. Grants of up to \$100,000 will be awarded to support HIV/AIDS-focused policy/advocacy work by community-based organizations in Alabama, Arkansas, northern Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. To find out more, visit <http://www.aidsunited.org/> . The deadline to apply is January 7, 2013.



Youth Service America and Sodexo Foundation Offer Grants for Youth-Led Hunger Service Projects. Grants of \$500 will support service projects led by youth (5 to 25 years of age) that bring together community members to address childhood hunger. To find out more, visit <http://www.ysa.org/grants/sodexoyouth>. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2013.

Paralyzed Veterans of America Education Foundation Invites Proposals for Innovative Educational Projects. Grants of up to \$50,000 per year will be provided for educational projects designed to enhance the quality of life of individuals with spinal cord injury or disease. To find out more, visit [http://www.pva.org/site/c.ajlRK9NJLcJ2E/b.6305829/k.6E40/PVA\\_Education\\_Foundation.htm](http://www.pva.org/site/c.ajlRK9NJLcJ2E/b.6305829/k.6E40/PVA_Education_Foundation.htm). The deadline to apply is February 1, 2013.

## RESOURCES

The Institute of Medicine released a report in November titled *An Integrated Framework for Assessing the Value of Community-Based Prevention*. This report proposes a framework to assess the value of community-based, non-clinical prevention policies and wellness strategies. The framework represents a valuable step toward realizing the elusive goal of appropriately and comprehensively valuing community-based prevention. Visit <http://www.iom.edu/Reports/2012/An-Integrated-Framework-for-Assessing-the-Value-of-Community-Based-Prevention.aspx> for more information.



Cancer Control P.L.A.N.E.T. is a portal that provides access to data and resources that can help planners, program staff, and researchers to design, implement and evaluate evidence-based cancer control programs. State Cancer Profiles (SCP) will soon be adding small area health insurance estimates, data from the Health Information National Trends Survey (HINTS), and data on childhood obesity. All three additions are expected to be available in January 2013. Visit

<http://statecancerprofiles.cancer.gov/index.html>

for more information.

## ABOUT FLORIDA MAPP

Please share this e-news with community partners, colleagues, and anyone interested in impacting your community's health.

Community health assessment practice is the process of systematically collecting, analyzing and using information to educate and mobilize communities, develop priorities, gather resources, and plan actions to impact the public's health. Assessment is a core function of public health practice. Assessment is the foundation for the other two core functions of public health; Policy Development and Assurance. The information, tools and resources of Florida MAPP are designed to improve the capacities of Florida's public health workforce to develop strategies and interventions which lead to improved

population health through community partnership building, collaboration and resource sharing. <http://www.myfloridamapp.com>

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