Baystate Franklin Medical Center

Greenfield, Massachusetts

FY 2019 Community Benefits Annual Report

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

| ORGANIZATION             | Baystate Franklin Medical Center  
|                         | 164 High Street  
|                         | Greenfield, Massachusetts, 01301  
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| PRIMARY SERVICE AREA    | Franklin County and North Quabbin Region  
| FACILITY TYPE           | Not-for-profit  
| TOTAL LICENSED BEDS     | 89  
| NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES     | 466.4 FTEs*  
| ETHNIC MIX OF PATIENTS  | 89.4% White; 4.4% Hispanic; 1.7% Black; 0.6% Asian; 0.2% American Indian/Alaskan Native; 0.0% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander; 3.7% Other/Unknown  
| INCLUDES INPATIENT & OUTPATIENT (EXCLUDING BRL) |  
| PAYER MIX OF PATIENTS  | 4,882 Inpatient Discharges  
|                         | 50.98% Medicare; 22.94% Medicaid; 22.70% Managed Care; 0.49% Non-Managed Care; 2.89% Other  
| ANNUAL-emergency SERVICES STATISTICS | 20,316 Emergency Service Visits  
|                         | 33.22% Medicaid; 1.81% Free Care; 2.66% Healthnet; 0.06% Commonwealth Care; 62.26% Other  
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| HOSPITAL SERVICES       | Baystate Franklin Medical Center, located in Greenfield, Massachusetts is an 89-bed acute care hospital that boasts a state-of-the-art surgical center. Inpatient services include behavioral health, intensive care, medical-surgical care, and obstetrics/midwifery. Outpatient services include cardiology, cardiac rehabilitation and wellness, 24-hour emergency services, gastroenterology, general surgery, neurology, oncology, 3D mammography, radiology, cancer care and infusion, ophthalmology, orthopedics, pediatrics, physical medicine and rehabilitation, pain management, endoscopy, pulmonology and sleep medicine, sports medicine, vascular surgery, and wound care and hyperbaric medicine.  
| DHCFP ID               | 2120  
| HEALTH SYSTEM           | Baystate Health, Inc.  
| COMMUNITY HEALTH        | #2 Upper Valley Health Web Franklin County |

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COMMUNITY BENEFITS MISSION STATEMENT

Baystate Franklin Medical Center (BFMC), in Greenfield, Massachusetts carries out Baystate Health’s (Baystate) mission “to improve the health of the people in our communities every day with quality and compassion.” In keeping with this commitment to improve health, BFMC provides many valuable services, resources, programs, and financial support - beyond the walls of the hospital and its facilities and into the communities and homes of the people it serves. As BFMC is part of Baystate’s integrated health care system, it is able to provide further benefits to communities served through coordination within and among the system’s various entities.

BFMC shares and supports Baystate’s Community Benefits Mission Statement1 “to reduce health disparities, promote community wellness and improve access to care for vulnerable populations.” Baystate embraces the definition of health to include social determinants, such as economic opportunity, affordable housing, education, safe neighborhoods, food security, social and racial justice, and arts/culture – all elements that are needed for individuals, families, and communities to thrive.

BFMC aims to improve the health status of individuals and communities by focusing its limited community benefits and charitable resources on upstream, population-based initiatives and interventions. In 2016, Mark Keroack, MD, MPH, President and CEO, Baystate Health, signed the American Hospital Association’s #123Equity Pledge. With support from the Office of Government and Community Relations, Baystate is investing resources to increase awareness and build capacity among its 12,000 team members and community partners on related topics including, cultural humility, health equity, social determinants of health, and implicit bias in health care.

BFMC is committed to applying a health equity lens to current and all future community health planning and improvement efforts. This will be demonstrated through future hospital community benefits investments that support projects/initiatives that are intentional in how they address health equity (health disparities and inequities). BFMC looks forward to sharing its health equity journey through annual status reports filed and posted electronically on the Equity of Care website, including the actions taken to date, challenges faced, and results from their efforts, and lessons learned that may be helpful for other organizations.

To fulfill Baystate’s Community Benefits Mission, BFMC will:

- Focus on prevention and increasing access to quality, cultural competent health care;
- Focus on amelioration of root causes of health disparities and inequities, including related social and economic determinants;
- Measure improvements in community health status that result from its efforts; and
- Invest the time, talent, and resources necessary to accomplish these goals.

1 Baystate Health’s Board of Trustees adopted a community benefits mission statement on July 13, 2010.
BFMC PRIORITY POPULATIONS

- Black and Latino residents
- Children who have experienced trauma
- GLBQ+ youth
- Older adults
- People re-entering the community after incarceration
- Residents with incomes below 300% of the federal poverty level
- Transgender, non-binary, and gender nonconforming people

BFMC’s priority populations are publicized on the hospital website at baystatehealth.org/communitybenefits and the Massachusetts Attorney General’s website.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF REPORTING YEAR

The Baystate Franklin Medical Center Community Benefits Advisory Council (BFMC CBAC) continued to diversify and expand its membership and guest list throughout FY 2019. The BFMC CBAC continues to meet monthly (fourth Thursday) and is co-chaired by a hospital leader and a community representative.

BFMC continues to be a member of the Coalition of Western Massachusetts Hospitals and Insurer (Coalition), a partnership between eight (8) not-for-profit hospitals and an insurer in western Massachusetts that includes: Baystate Medical Center, Baystate Franklin Medical Center, Baystate Noble Hospital, Baystate Wing Hospital (including Baystate Mary Lane Outpatient Center), Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Mercy Medical Center (part of Sisters of Providence Health System, a member of Trinity Health - New England), Shriners Hospitals for Children – Springfield, and Health New England, a local health insurer whose service area covers the four counties of western Massachusetts.

The Coalition formed in 2012 to unite hospitals in western Massachusetts, share resources, and work in partnership to conduct their community health needs assessments (CHNA) and address regional health needs. BFMC worked in collaboration with the Coalition to conduct the 2019 CHNA, and will continue to do so in the development of the 2022 assessment. The 2019 CHNA was conducted to update the findings of the 2016 assessment so BFMC could better understand the health needs of the communities served and meet its fiduciary requirement as a tax-exempt hospital.

The Coalition engaged Public Health Institute of Western Massachusetts (PHIWM) based in Springfield, Massachusetts, as the lead consultant to conduct the CHNAs. PHIWM was supported by three other consultant teams: Collaborative for Educational Services, based in Northampton, Massachusetts; Franklin Regional Council of Governments, based in Greenfield, Massachusetts; and Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, based in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Following the CHNA, BFMC developed a Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP), formally known as the Implementation Strategy, also required by Section 501(r), which documents the efforts of BFMC to prioritize and address health needs identified in the 2019 CHNA. For the period of 2020-2022, BFMC, in partnership with its CBAC, identified five (5) high-priority health needs to be the focus.
of current and future hospital community health planning efforts. BFMC will address the focus areas through existing hospital resources, programs, services, and grant investments, as well as future grant investments and in-kind resources. These strategic priority health needs, as identified through the 2019 CHNA and prioritization process are:

1. **SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT**: BFMC recognizes the association between having a strong social environment (social capital, cohesion, exclusion/inclusion, racism, etc.) and better health outcomes. There is a need for investing in community initiatives which continue to build social environments, especially for priority populations.

2. **MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE**: BFMC recognizes a continued, urgent need for improved access to behavioral health services and increased resources for substance use treatment and prevention, especially for youth (bullying, skill building and prevention of mental health disorder development).

3. **BUILT ENVIRONMENT**: Residents of the BFMC service area continue to encounter barriers to care caused by many built environment elements including transportation, access to care, food insecurity and broadband internet access.

4. **CARE COORDINATION**: BFMC recognizes patients present with a wide host of needs. Patient outcomes are the best when all of their needs are addressed in a coordinated, seamless way.

5. **CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION, MANAGEMENT, AND INTERVENTION**: High rates of obesity, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, asthma, chronic pulmonary obstructive disease and associated morbidities impact residents residing within BFMC’s service area.

Throughout FY 2019, the **Franklin County Perinatal Support Coalition (FCPSP)**, a multi-sector and provider initiative continued its monthly convening, facilitated by Linda Jablonski, Assistant Nurse Manager of the Birthplace at BFMC. FCPSP efforts include universal screening and referral programs for perinatal emotional complications and substance use. The FCPSP continues to collaborate with the Birthplace at BFMC and Pioneer Women’s Health to coordinate the **EMPOWER program** for pregnant women with substance use disorders.

- In September of 2019, Baystate was awarded a $1 million Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response grant to expand the EMPOWER program. The grant is funded by SAMHSA to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Addiction Services. Baystate Health has utilized grant funding to partner with the Center for Human Development to create a medical, behavioral health home for women with perinatal substance use. The newly expanded “Moms Do Care EMPOWER” program provides additional support including postpartum care, counseling, care coordination, and peer support from recovery coaches and doulas.
- The FCPSP continues to support this work in Franklin County by participating in an innovative “Moms Do Care EMPOWER Care Team.” This team meets on a monthly basis to provide on-the-spot referrals and care coordination for women enrolled in the program.
- FCPSP also continues to be active in the community, partnering with community organizations to sponsor trainings and address barriers to care such as housing insecurity and access to care.

In FY 2019, BFMC was awarded a $1 million federal Health Resources and Services Administration
(HRSA) Rural Communities Opioid Response grant to create the **Bridge Team** whose focus is supporting people with, or at risk for, Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) in the service area. The Bridge Team is a consortium of interdisciplinary team members from across multiple community-based organizations with a shared vision for improving the health and well-being of mutual patients/clients. Rural Franklin County and North Quabbin experiences unique health needs and inequalities to urban areas including: the actual number of individuals at risk or experiencing inequities is low and geographically spread out; transportation is limited and people must often travel far distances for care; providers are scarce; specialists are few (primarily located in Hampden County); and care coordination is lacking. The Bridge Team will identify, engage, and assess people with OUD or at risk for OUD, then hold space and/or connect individuals with whatever service or support system the individual values. With the support of Community Health Workers, Recovery Coaches, and Peer Advocates on the team, help will be given to individuals in distress or suffering because of a social condition—such as food insecurity, homelessness, lack of identification, transportation, or lack of connection to support groups.

In July BFMC supported the **United Way of Franklin County** through a donation of 29,712 diapers. For 80 years, the United Way of Franklin County (UWFC) has brought caring people together to address the needs of the whole community. This diaper donation is a way to meet the basic needs of local families and ensure that all children get access to basic, but necessary, resources.

BFMC OBGYN Julie Thompson, DO, co-chairs the **Opioid Task Force’s Healthcare Solutions Committee**, which brings together medical and behavioral health providers, regional and state government, and others to improve care for those with substance use disorder.

**MIGHTY (Moving, Improving and Gaining Health Together at the Y)** is a community-based, multi-disciplinary, pediatric, obesity treatment program. It is held at multiple locations including the YMCA of Greater Springfield, YMCA of Greater Westfield, YMCA in Greenfield, and most recently, the Scantic Valley YMCA located in Wilbraham. MIGHTY includes 14 two hour sessions of physical activity, nutrition, and behavior modification, over a one year period. It targets children and adolescents age 5-21. Sessions are augmented by individual exercise training, weekly phone calls, monthly group activities, cooking classes, free swimming lessons, behavioral health consults, and gardening experience. In addition, participants and their families are given a free six-month membership to their local YMCA. Ongoing monthly maintenance groups are available to all previous program participants. In FY 2019 the MIGHTY program in Greenfield had a very successful and busy year, enrolling and serving over 35 obese children and their families. It continues to expand with several new programmatic options and increased staff for both exercise and nutrition. Expansion of MIGHTY to Westfield, Greenfield, and Wilbraham was made possible through a two-year grant from Kohl’s Cares.

The University of Massachusetts Medical School – Baystate (UMMS-Baystate) regional campus, home to the **Population-based Urban and Rural Community Health (PURCH)** medical student track, has become a trusted partner to the Baystate Health CBACs. Representatives from the PURCH track are active participants at each group and collaborate with members on initiatives such as recruitment of UMMS-Baystate Community Faculty, Population Health Clerkship preceptors, Standardized Patients, Admissions Committee interviewers, and Poverty Simulation participants. The PURCH track community-based educational experience is framed and informed by the work of CBACs in addressing CHNA priority goals. In the BFMC service area, PURCH students have been able to partner with community organizations such as the Opioid Task Force, Franklin Regional Council of Governments.
and the RECOVER Project.

Formerly referred to as the “DoN Grant Program,” Baystate’s system-wide Better Together grant program unites healthcare and community-based nonprofit organizations across Baystate’s service areas to shape future healthcare and human services. The aim is to develop approaches that, by targeting the social determinants of health (SDH), will improve people’s overall well-being and make communities healthier places to live. Better Together is a system-wide grant program, yet each hospital entity convenes their own application process in partnership with the hospital CBAC and with support from the Office of Government and Community Relations.

BFMC’s CBAC is currently funding the following community-based organizations and community health initiatives with DoN funding:

- **Communities that Care Coalition (CTC)**, hosted by the Franklin Regional Council of Governments and Community Action Pioneer Valley, CTC convenes school and community partners to integrate high-quality, evidence-based youth substance use and violence prevention and youth health promotion activities into schools, communities, and families in Franklin County and the North Quabbin Region. The priority health needs being addressed by this initiative include substance use prevention, nutrition and physical activity, mental health promotion, and improving the coordination of care within this population. In 2019, eight out of eight Franklin County middle schools implemented the LifeSkills curriculum, one of the CTC’s flagship efforts. The program has been well-received by students, teachers, administration, parents, and community members, and evaluation results show improvements in knowledge and behavior. CTC’s parent-education efforts have also met with success and a new Parent Leader Program is being developed as a collaboration between a variety of community agencies that serve parents and families. CTC’s recent Teen Health Survey shows that Family Management Problems, Parental Attitudes Favorable to Substance Use, and Family Attachment have all improved substantially over the years of CTC’s work. CTC is working with partners at the state level to ensure that Massachusetts invests in cost-effective, community-based substance misuse prevention.

- **Community Action Pioneer Valley Strengthening Perinatal Partnerships** assists people who have low-incomes to achieve economic stability and security, and works to build communities in which all people have the opportunity to thrive. Community Action’s WIC, Family Center, and Healthy Families programs provide considerable support to women and their families during the prenatal and postpartum periods, in collaboration with partners in the Perinatal Support Coalition, including the Empower Program, Family Drug Court, and Franklin County House of Correction, among others. Perinatal Partnerships was awarded a three-year grant to enhance the ability to integrate services and remove barriers to access, including transportation, group support, additional lactation consultants with advanced certification appropriate to high-risk situations, and staffing to maintain collaborations and provide one-on-one assistance for women and their families. In FY 2019, twenty-two different moms participated in the New Babies New Feelings support and thirty-four different moms participated in the We Need A Break support group.

- **Community Action’s Building Bridges for Coordinated Care** initiative seeks to improve coordination between the social service and medical sectors with the goal of improving health outcomes for patients in Franklin County. Built into the community organizing approach is a reliance on data as a means of identifying intervening variables (also sometimes referred to
as risk and protective factors) that can effectively move the dial on desired outcomes. As a result, medical practitioners receive an immediate benefit from a greater understanding of non-medical resources that support health, and the community will be better positioned to respond to federal and state initiatives. Overall, a key success of this initiative is the degree to which it has elevated discussion about service integration across the medical, behavioral health, and social services sectors. The BFMC CBAC now serves as the Leadership Advisory Council for this initiative. Funding for this initiative ended in FY 2019.

- **Franklin County DIAL/SELF, Inc.** is a community-based non-profit agency that has been serving the youth and communities of western Massachusetts since 1977 and provides a wide array of services that foster youth empowerment and community service. The mission of DIAL/SELF is to help young people become independent by connecting them with housing, employment, education, and civic opportunities. Grant funding was awarded to DIAL/SELF with the goal of enhancing capacity to provide direct services to youth including street outreach, drop-in center hours, organization outreach events, regional presentations distributing service information materials, brochures, and resource cards. The program is an evidence-informed model that draws on positive youth development and uses motivational interviewing to help youth understand how to take action with the support of staff and other positive influences in their lives. Twenty-five youth were directly supported through the grant in FY 2019. Additionally, DIAL/SELF hired a new case manager to work with the youth engaged.

- **Montague Catholic Social Ministries M.I.N.D. & S.O.A.R.** for over 24 years has strengthened, encouraged, and supported families in Franklin County through direct aid, community outreach, family education, conflict resolution, leadership development, and group empowerment. The M.I.N.D program (Montague Institute for New Directions) and the S.O.A.R. program (Skills, Opportunity, Action, Recognition) are two interconnected programs developed by the MCSM Women’s Center to teach leadership skills and build self-empowerment for women who have experienced trauma and compromised physical health and well-being. The M.I.N.D and S.O.A.R programs were awarded a two-year grant to continue addressing the economic effects of exposure to trauma, while helping women define objectives and take steps toward attaining their goals. Montague Catholic Social Ministries offers programs to Spanish speaking women in Franklin County who have vocalized a desire to improve their lives and economic circumstances. For the first session of M.I.N.D., nine out of 13 women originally enrolled completed the program achieving many goals such as feeling their value, self-worth & importance, experiencing improved prospects for economic stability, improving social & community stability, and experiencing personal empowerment.

**Public Health Institute of Western Massachusetts (PHIWM)** provides evaluation and program planning expertise to support the BFMC Better Together grantees in the development and implementation of their program evaluation. PHIWM continues to provide training and technical assistance to grantees, in addition to regularly attending the BFMC CBAC meetings and providing input into future RFP processes. Grantees share summaries of their grants and discuss what they would like from a Community of Practice, including learning from other grantees, sharing evaluation tools and databases being used, and learning about topics such as community engagement, cultural humility, and understanding policies affecting health equity. Other topics of interest expressed by grantees include technical assistance around sustainability and racial justice.
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Baystate Health is a current funder of the Franklin County/North Quabbin Regional Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). In FY 2019, President Ron Bryant of BFMC continued serving on the CHIP steering committee. Quarterly meetings were held to review progress on the 2019 regional health improvement goals: School Nutrition Initiatives, Evidence-based Substance Use Disorder Prevention Curriculum in schools, Increase deployment of Community Health Workers and Recovery Coaches in the region, Assess State of Behavioral Health/Primary Care Integration in the Region, Increase Access to Evidence-Based Parenting Classes for underserved populations, Increase Public Transportation through Micro-Transit and Ride-Sharing, and Increase Access to Housing Rehab and Loans. The CHIP wrapped up its first improvement plan and have moved on to creating a broad stakeholder process for developing the 2021 plan.

Plans for Next Reporting Year

In FY 2020, BFMC, in partnership with its CBAC, will continue to engage and partner with the community to address unmet health care needs of residents. In addition to supporting local community-based efforts, BFMC will continue to pursue grant funds from outside sources in support of collaboration between the hospital and its community partners to enhance current or implement additional programs to meet the existing and newly identified needs of its target populations. BFMC will expand efforts to communicate to the general public about its community benefits activities, investments, and partnerships, through press coverage, social media, and other means as appropriate.

Community Engagement

The CBAC, in collaboration with the Coalition, plans on expanding in the area of community engagement for the 2022 CHNA. Increased opportunity for community engagement will come through the following three strategies:

1. Community conversations – large gatherings where the Coalition invites community stakeholders to discuss community health and social needs over a meal.
2. Community chats – smaller gatherings where Coalition members enter into existing meeting spaces to share and facilitate a dialogue around community health and social needs
3. Community Forum – the Office of Government and Community Relations, alongside the BFMC CBAC, will plan a community forum to share out on the community benefits program at Baystate and engage residents on ways that Baystate can further its community impact.

The Office of Government and Community Relations will integrate these findings in the 2022 CHNA. Community engagement efforts related to the 2019 CHNA will be summarized through a Community Engagement Report to be released in 2020, as a supplement to the CHNA.

As part of the new Attorney General guidelines, BFMC will also be completing a yearly self-assessment that measures and tracks community benefit progress. The self-assessment is a tool that helps ensure the hospital and its CBAC are investing resources into the prioritized health needs, as highlighted through the CHNA, as well as aligning these health needs to its implementation strategy.

Community Benefits Advisory Council

The BFMC CBAC will work with Baystate’s Community Benefits Specialist on developing policies and procedures for the CBAC in FY 2020. Collaboratively, they will brainstorm and implement detailed
documentation around a community benefits mission and vision statement, a revised CBAC charter, and standardized membership processes across the health system.

The Office of Government and Community Relations intends to convene a system-wide CBAC retreat for all internal and community members. This would be the first gathering of its kind for Baystate. The aim of the CBAC retreat is to provide a space for members to network, share updates around their respective hospital’s community benefit work, and participate in work groups to build out a community benefit mission and vision statement, as well as revise the current charter and membership processes.

Training and Capacity Building

BFMC, with support from the Office of Government and Community Relations, will identify training opportunities to build capacity among its community partners on related topics including, but not limited to: cultural humility, health equity, social determinants of health, implicit bias in health care, data (qualitative/quantitative), and program evaluation. BFMC intends to engage the Public Health Institute of Western Massachusetts to facilitate and implement these capacity building trainings.

Opportunities for Funding

In an effort to increase accessibility and the ability to communicate on a timelier basis, Baystate will continue implementing and increasing awareness (internal and external) about its system-wide online sponsorship request and grants management system (Foundant). Among many benefits our community partners will appreciate is the ability to control organizational contact information; to draft, save and submit online applications; and to upload documents and reports. All requests for BFMC funding (community benefits, social impact, marketing, and event sponsorships) will be required to apply online via this upgraded system and according to the corresponding funding cycle (three per year). Funding decisions will remain at the local hospital leadership level.

The BFMC CBAC, with support from the Office of Government and Community Relations, will release a Better Together Request for Proposal (RFP) in FY 2020 and award funding to local community-based organizations and community health initiatives that address BFMC’s health priorities identified in the 2019 CHNA. For this RFP, the BFMC CBAC voted to seek proposals specifically targeting the Social Environment as a social determinant of health.

Better Together is funded with hospital Determination of Need (DoN) funding to address community health needs. DoN funding is required by Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) when a hospital invests in a DPH approved capital project (facilities and equipment). Better Together awards outcomes-based grants (1-3 years), pilot/mini-grants (1-2 years), and community education and training grants (1 year) to eligible non-profit organizations with current IRS designated 501(c)(3) status that have projects directly benefiting residents of the communities served by the hospital, with a focus on underserved and other priority populations.
COMMUNITY BENEFITS PLANNING PROCESS

Community Benefits Leadership Team

The BFMC CBAC and Baystate Health Board of Trustees are actively involved in overseeing community benefits activities and investments. In July 2010, the Baystate Health Board of Trustees assigned oversight of community benefits to the Baystate Health Governance Committee. Through regular board meetings, internal hospital meetings, and leadership activities, Baystate is actively involved in shaping community benefits activities and investments provided throughout the system. Throughout FY 2019, the system’s Vice President, Government and Community Relations, under the direction of the Sr. Vice President, Marketing, Communications, and External Relations, supervised the Director of Community Relations.

Community Benefits Team Meetings

The Baystate Health Board Governance Committee meets twice a year and is charged with advocating for community benefits at the board level and throughout the health system and community; aligning the system’s four (4) hospital-specific community benefits implementation strategies into the health system’s strategic plan; periodic review of CHNA data; approval of a community benefits mission statement and health priorities; review impacts of community benefits activities and investments; and ensure Baystate’s community benefits are in compliance with guidelines established by the Massachusetts Attorney General and IRS. Annually, the Office of Government and Community Relations provides updates to the Baystate Health Board of Trustees, BFMC Leadership, and other Baystate leadership teams, as requested.

The BFMC CBAC continues to bring a community lens and filter for the hospital’s health priorities. The CBAC provides a community perspective on how to increase wellness and resilience opportunities for optimal health for an entire population; guidance in matching BFMC resources to community resources, thus making the most of what is possible with the goal to improve health status and quality of life; and policy advocacy to assure and restore health equity by targeting resources for residents.

Participants on the BFMC CBAC represent the constituencies and communities served by BFMC’s service area. BFMC CBAC members are responsible for reviewing community health needs assessment data and use this analysis as a foundation for providing the hospital with input on its community health planning efforts and community benefits investments.

Community Partners

Baystate Franklin Medical Centers’ community partners include, but are not limited to:

1. Center for Human Development (CHD)
2. Clinical & Support Options (CSO)
3. Coalition of Western Massachusetts Hospitals/Insurer
4. Communities That Care (CTC) Coalition*
5. Community Action of Pioneer Valley*
6. Community Health Center of Franklin County*
7. Community Involved in Sustaining Agriculture (CISA)
8. DIAL/SELF
9. Food Bank of Western Massachusetts
10. Franklin County Food Policy Council
11. Franklin County Probate Court, including Court Service Center
12. Franklin County Sheriff’s Office*
13. Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG)*
14. Greenfield Community College*
15. Greenfield Police Department
16. Greenfield Public Schools
17. Just Roots
18. LifePath, Inc.*
19. Local Councils on Aging (through Life Path)
20. Local Health Departments, including the Cooperative Public Health Service health district and Greenfield Health Department*
21. Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MA DPH)
22. Massachusetts Public Health Association (MPHA)
23. MotherWoman
24. New England Learning Center for Women in Transition (NELCWIT)
25. North Quabbin Community Coalition
26. Northern Berkshire Community Coalition
27. Northwestern Massachusetts District Attorney’s Office
28. Opioid Task Force of Franklin County & North Quabbin*
29. Public Health Institute of Western Massachusetts
30. RECOVER Project*
31. Recovery Learning Community
32. Regional School Health Task Force (representatives from all 9 local school districts)
33. Representative Paul Mark’s Office*
34. Salasin Center
35. ServiceNet
36. The Literacy Project
37. Tapestry Health
38. United Way of Franklin County
39. University of Massachusetts at Amherst – School of Public Health, College of Nursing*
40. Valley Medical Group
41. Western Massachusetts Health Equity Network (WMHEN)
42. YMCA in Greenfield

*BFMC CBAC member
COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA)

In 2019, BFMC, in partnership with the Coalition, conducted a CHNA pursuant to the requirements of Section 501(r) of the Internal Revenue Code (“Section 501(r)”). This assessment was conducted to update the findings of the 2016 CHNA so BFMC could better understand the health needs of the communities it serves and to meet its fiduciary requirement as a tax-exempt hospital. The Coalition engaged PHIWM as the lead consultant to conduct the CHNAs. PHIWM was supported by three other consultant teams: Collaborative for Educational Services, Franklin Regional Council of Governments, and Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.

Organizational Policy

Per the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Massachusetts Office of the Attorney General, each non-profit hospital must conduct a formal CHNA every three-years in partnership with community organizations and individuals across the hospital’s service area. The aim is to identify community assets as well as the critical gaps and/or needs in public health resources and the weak connections between medical care and community care.

Program Results

The CHNA is the basis for developing strategic and accountable community benefits activities and investments. In an ideal situation, an effective and large scale community benefits activity or investment will demonstrate measurable impacts on the health status and quality of life for residents - effectively closing gaps when current data is compared to initial CHNA baseline indicators. At a more practical program level, the CHNA guides a “theory of change” – linking health needs to community benefits efforts to desired program and community outcomes.

Date of Last Assessment Completed, and Current Status

In 2019, BFMC, in partnership with the Coalition, conducted a CHNA of the geographic area served by BFMC pursuant to the requirements of Section 501(r) of the Internal Revenue Code (“Section 501(r)”). The CHNA report and findings were published on the hospital's website in 2019.

Community Health Needs Assessment Findings

The 2019 CHNA was conducted using a determinant of health framework as it is recognized that social and economic determinants of health contribute substantially to population health. It has been estimated that less than a third of our health is influenced by our genetics or biology. Our health is largely determined by the social, economic, cultural, and physical environments that we live in and the healthcare we receive. Among these “modifiable” factors that impact health, social and economic factors are estimated to have the greatest impact. The County Health Rankings model, developed by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute,
estimates how much these modifiable factors contribute to health, based on reviews of the scientific literature and a synthesis of data from a number of national sources.

It is estimated that social and economic factors account for 40% of our health, followed by health behaviors (30%), clinical care (20%), and the physical environment (10%). Many health disparities occur as a result of inequities in these determinants of health. According to the County Health Rankings, among Massachusetts’ counties, Franklin County ranked 7th out of 14 counties for health outcomes and 8th for health factors in 2019.

BFMC’s service area continues to experience many of the same prioritized health needs identified in BFMC’s 2016 CHNA. Social and economic challenges experienced by the population in the service area contribute to the high rates of chronic conditions and other health conditions identified in this needs assessment. These social and economic factors also contribute to the health disparities observed among priority populations, which include children/youth, older adults, Latinos, Blacks, and GLBQ+ and transgender youth. Low-income levels, poverty, and homelessness have also been connected to poorer health outcomes. Additional data is needed to better understand the needs of these populations in order to reduce inequities. BFMC’s service area population continues to experience a number of barriers that make it difficult to access affordable quality care, some of which are related to the social and economic conditions in the community, and others which relate to the healthcare and insurance system. Mental health and substance use disorders were consistently identified as top health conditions impacting the community, and the inadequacy of the current systems of care to meet the needs of individuals impacted by these disorders arose as an important issue that needs to be addressed. The opioid crisis was identified as a particular concern. Progress has been made to address some of the prioritized health needs previously identified, such as teen pregnancy and childhood obesity; however, rates remain high and work needs to be continued.
Below is a summary of the prioritized community health needs identified in the BFMC 2019 CHNA.

COMMUNITY LEVEL SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DETERMINANTS THAT IMPACT HEALTH
- Social environment
- Housing needs
- Access to transportation, healthy food, places to be active, and broadband internet
- Lack of resources to meet basic needs
- Educational needs
- Violence and trauma

BARRIERS TO ACCESSING QUALITY HEALTH CARE
- Limited availability of providers
- Lack of care coordination
- Insurance and health care related challenges
- Need for increased cultural humility
- Need for transportation
- Health literacy and language barriers

HEALTH CONDITIONS AND BEHAVIOR
- Mental health and substance use disorders
- Chronic health conditions
- Infant and perinatal health risk factors

Consultants/Other Organizations

BFMC is a member of the Coalition, a partnership between eight (8) not-for-profit hospitals and an insurer in western Massachusetts that includes: Baystate Medical Center, Baystate Franklin Medical Center, Baystate Noble Hospital, Baystate Wing Hospital (including Baystate Mary Lane Outpatient Center), Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Mercy Medical Center (part of Sisters of Providence Health System, a member of Trinity Health - New England), Shriners Hospitals for Children – Springfield, and Health New England, a local health insurer whose service areas covers the four counties of western Massachusetts.

The Coalition formed in 2012 to unite hospitals in western Massachusetts, share resources, and work in partnership to conduct their community health needs assessments (CHNA) and address regional health needs. The BHER worked in collaboration with the Coalition to conduct their 2016 CHNA. This assessment was conducted to update the findings of the 2013 CHNA so the BHER could better understand the health needs of the communities it serves and to meet its fiduciary requirement as a tax-exempt hospital.

The Coalition engaged PHIWM as the lead consultant to conduct the CHNAs. PHIWM was supported by three other consultant teams: Collaborative for Educational Services, Franklin Regional Council of Governments, and Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.
The following organizations, community stakeholders, and public health experts were interviewed:

- Avery, Jennifer, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Bialecki-Canning, Heather, North Quabbin Community Coalition
- Bowman, Sue, Interfaith Council
- Brzeznski, Jen, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Calabrese, Jessica, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Carey, Cameron, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Caulton, Helen, City of Springfield Department of Health and Human Services
- Chartrand, Ken, Franklin County Sheriff’s Office
- Cluff, Ben, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Use Services
- Crews, Destiny, Center for Human Development
- Crowley, Jo, Clinical and Support Operations
- Donahue, Erica, Center for Human Development
- Emond, Gretchen, Clinical and Support Operations
- Ewart, Jared, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Federman, Julie, Town of Amherst
- Giroux, Chase, Clinical and Support Operations
- Hamilton, Wes, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Havens, Donna, Clinical and Support Operations
- Hebert, Kelly, Clinical and Support Operations
- Heidenreich, Maria, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Hynoski, Arley, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Hyry-Dermith, Dalila, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division for Perinatal, Early Childhood and Special Needs, Care Coordination Unit
- Jacobson, Allie, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Jess, Margery, Support Network
- Kiener, Andrea, Rabbi, Temple Israel
- Laurel, Charles, Baystate Franklin Medical Center
- Luippold, Susan, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Margosian, Alex, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Mengwasser, Dana, Brick House
- Mercado, Reuben, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Merz, Katelyn, Center for Human Development
- Neubauer, Deb, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Osman, Shawna, Clinical and Support Operations
- Pascucci, Cheryl, Baystate Franklin Medical Center
- Petrie, Maeghan, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Pliskin, Ariel, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Sayer, Ed, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Schwartz, Levin, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
- Shah, Prity, Community Action Healthy Families
- Shippee, Stefanie, Massachusetts Department of Children and Families
- Spencer, Debbie, Clinical and Support Operations
- Stevens, Kate, Interfaith Council of Franklin County
- Thibodeau, Kelly, Clinical and Support Operations
- Tomsho-Dexter, Andrea, Community Action Healthy Families
- Van der Velden, Allison, Community Health Center of Franklin County
- Walker, Phoebe, Franklin Regional Council of Governments
- Walters, Sandy, Clinical and Support Operations
CHNA Data Sources

The primary goals of the 2019 CHNA were to update the list of prioritized community health needs identified in the 2016 CHNA and to the extent possible, identify potential areas of action. The prioritized health needs identified in the 2019 CHNA include community level social and economic determinants that impact health, barriers to accessing quality health care, and specific health conditions and behaviors within the population. Assessment methods included:

- Analysis of social, economic, and health quantitative data from Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the U.S Census Bureau, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), the County Health Ranking Reports, Community Commons, and a variety of other data sources;
- Analysis of findings from four (4) focus groups, forty-eight (48) key informant interviews, four (4) community chats, and one (1) community conversation specifically conducted for BFMC;
- Review of existing assessment reports published since 2016 that were completed by community and regional agencies serving BFMC’s service area.

The assessment focused on county-level data and community-level data as available. In some instances, data constraints related to accessibility and availability limited analyses for certain communities in the BFMC service area. When sources report by town, the larger towns in the area often have enough cases so that data is not suppressed, so in many charts in the report, data is shown for Athol, Greenfield, Montague, and Orange. When sources provided data for all towns in Massachusetts, we were able to add up data for the nine towns of North Quabbin and report on the North Quabbin as a region. In some instances, we also combined data for nine West County towns to present statistics on some of the most rural parts of the service area.

To the extent possible given data and resource constraints, priority populations were identified using information from focus groups and interviews as well as quantitative data stratified (or broken down) by race/ethnicity and age with a focus on children/youth and older adults. Quantitative analysis (secondary data from DPH, Massachusetts CHIP, Hospital Inpatient/ED Discharge, and Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions), review of health assessments conducted by other organizations in recent years, key informant interview, and focus groups. Preliminary assessment findings were also discussed with community stakeholders during a series of community forums and feedback from participants helped validate findings.

Community Definition

BFMC is an 89 bed acute-care community hospital. Its top priority is giving Franklin County and the North Quabbin Region the clinical excellence, advanced technology, neighborly warmth, and convenience of a community hospital. Hospital specialties provided include inpatient behavioral health, intensive care, medical-surgical care, obstetrics/ midwifery, cardiology, cardiac rehabilitation and wellness, 24-hour emergency services, gastroenterology, general surgery, neurology, oncology, 3D mammography, radiology, cancer care and infusion, ophthalmology, orthopedics, pediatrics,
physical medicine and rehabilitation, pain management, endoscopy, pulmonology and sleep medicine, sports medicine, vascular surgery, and wound care and hyperbaric medicine.

The service area for BFMC includes the 26 communities in Franklin County, as well as the Town of Athol, which is located in Worcester County. The region is the only county in Massachusetts recognized as entirely rural, with one small city, Greenfield, as the center of the county. Most towns in the region are under 2,000 in population, and the region is 80% forested. Broadband and cell phone access are still not available in some of the region’s most rural communities. In addition, the Franklin Regional Transit Authority (FRTA) serves only some of the communities and has no weekend or night time service. Franklin County had the second highest number of farms and the highest amount of farm sales revenue of all counties in Massachusetts in the most recent Agricultural Census.

The region is aging, like the state and country, but at a faster pace. Currently, people aged 65 and over make up about 19% of the population of Franklin County. By 2030, seniors aged 65 and over are projected to comprise 34% of the population, compared to 22% statewide. The demographic shift is even more pronounced in the rural towns of West County, where seniors are projected to make up 42% of the population in 2030.

Franklin County is significantly less racially and ethnically diverse than the state or nation. According to U.S. Census American Community Survey (ACS) 2013-2017 estimates, 6% or a little over 4,200 people within Franklin County’s total population of 70,700 identified as nonwhite or multi-racial, compared to 21% for the state and 27% for the nation. The percent of residents who identified as Hispanic or Latino for Franklin County was 4% or about 2,800 people, compared to 11% for the state and 18% for the nation. The current political climate has exacerbated threats to immigrant health related to the behavioral, cultural, and structural systems that determine individual health decision on a daily basis.

The median income of Franklin County residents ($57,307) is close to that of the nation ($57,652) and, along with other counties of western Massachusetts, substantially lower than the median income for the state ($74,167, US Census Bureau, ACS 2013-2017). While it is recognized that real estate costs and other factors that go into the cost of living are lower in western Massachusetts, there are other costs that are higher here, notably transportation (average annual cost of transportation in Franklin County is $13,540, compared to $8,761 in Boston). Without a robust public transit system in Franklin County, most residents must rely on their own vehicle to access jobs and services, while other areas of the Commonwealth have more extensive public transit services. In addition, these residents often must drive longer distances to access jobs and services (Franklin County average of 22,566 vehicle miles a year, compared to 11,202 in Boston).
The following table depicts the population of towns that comprises BFMC’s community definition.

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<th>Population Estimate</th>
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<td>1,733</td>
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<td>Bernardston</td>
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<td>Colrain</td>
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<td>Montague**</td>
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<td>Northfield</td>
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<td>Warwick</td>
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<td>Whately</td>
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<td><strong>Worcester County</strong></td>
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<td>Athol</td>
<td>11,711</td>
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<td><strong>Total Service Area</strong></td>
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**The following villages are a part of service area and are subsections of communities in the above list: Lake Pleasant, Millers Falls, Montague Center, Shelburne Falls, South Deerfield, and Turners Falls**

To learn more about the findings from BFMC’s CHNA and its implementation strategy to address the identified health needs please visit [www.baystatehealth.org/communitybenefits](http://www.baystatehealth.org/communitybenefits).

All documents are available for FREE in PDF downloadable format. To request a FREE hard copy of the CHNA please contact the Office of Government and Community Relations at 413-794-1016.
### COMMUNITY BENEFITS PROGRAM PROFILES

#### BAYSTATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE & COUNSELING

**Brief Description or Objective**

BFMC provides financial counseling services to its community and patients who have concerns about their health care costs. Financial Counselors are dedicated to: identifying and meeting their client’s health care needs; providing assistance to apply for health insurance; navigating the health care industry; as well as determining eligibility for the Baystate Financial Assistance Program. Financial Counselors can also assist in linking their clients to health insurance and community resources. There has been an increase in providing additional community support, including assisting patients with finding a new primary care physician, providing information on behavioral health services and also contacting pharmacies to straighten out insurance issues. As the Health Connector grows in functionality, the financial counselors at BFMC are also dealing with more complex billing issues, such as escalating and tracking accounts, filing appeals and referring/coordinating with Health Care for All law pro bono lawyers for cases beyond their scope. BFMC Financial Counselors are Certified Application Counselors, which requires annual training and re-certification through the state to assist the community in applying for state and federal health care programs.

**Program Type**

Access/Coverage Supports

**Targets**

n/a

**Target Population**

- Regions Served: County-Franklin, County-Hampden, County-Hampshire, County-Worcester, County, Berkshire
- Gender: All
- Age Group: All
- Ethnic/Racial Group: All
- Language: All, English, Spanish, Russian/Moldavian
- Environment Served: Rural

**Health Need**

- DoN Health Priority: Built Environment
- Focus Issue: n/a
- Health Issue: Social Determinants of Health - Access to Health Care, Income and Poverty, Uninsured/underinsured

**Goals**

- **Goal 1**
  - Description: Provide financial counseling services and secure insurance sponsorship for uninsured or underinsured individuals requesting our support.
  - Status: In Progress
- **Goal 2**
  - Description: Screen all individuals and provide assistance in completing and submitting applicable applications; achieve a 95% approval rate.
  - Status: In Progress

**Partners**

Community Outreach Worker Networking Organization

- Department of Veteran Affairs [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)
- Franklin County Home Care/SHINE program [www.fchcc.org](http://www.fchcc.org)
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<tr>
<th>Contact Information</th>
<th>Aria Sampson, Financial Counselor, Baystate Franklin Medical Center, 164 High Street Greenfield, MA 01301. 413-773-2514. <a href="mailto:aria.sampson@baystatehealth.org">aria.sampson@baystatehealth.org</a>.</th>
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<td>Live Well Springfield</td>
<td><a href="http://www.partnersforahealthiercommunity.org">www.partnersforahealthiercommunity.org</a></td>
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<td>Supplemental Nutrition Application Program (SNAP)</td>
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<td>Massachusetts Association of Community Health Workers</td>
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### FRANKLIN COUNTY PERINATAL SUPPORT COALITION

**Brief Description or Objective**
Franklin County Perinatal Support Coalition, a multi-sector and provider initiative launched, convened monthly, and facilitated by nurse leaders from the Birthplace at BFMC. Efforts include universal postpartum depression protocols for screening from first prenatal visit through second year postpartum, weekly support group, and a community resource and referral guide. The Coalition has now transitioned to improving coordination and resources for mothers with substance use disorders.

**Program Type**
Community-Clinical Linkages

**Tags:** Community Education, Support Group

**Target Population**

- **Regions Served:** County-Franklin
- **Gender:** All
- **Age Group:** All
- **Ethnic/Racial Group:** All
- **Language:** English
- **Environment Served:** Rural

**Health Need**

- **DoN Health Priority:** Built Environment; Social Environment
- **Focus Issue:** Substance Use Disorders; Mental Health and Illness
- **Health Issue:** Maternal Health; Health Behaviors/Mental Health – Depression, Mental Health

**Goals**

- **Goal 1**
  - **Description:** To improve access to care and care coordination for women in the perinatal period.
  - **Status:** In progress

**Partners**
Center for Human Development [https://chd.org/](https://chd.org/)

**Contact Information**
Linda Jablonski, RN, Assistant Nurse Manager, The Birthplace at Baystate Franklin Medical Center. 413-773-2001. [linda.jablonski@baystatehealth.org](mailto:linda.jablonski@baystatehealth.org).
### MIGHTY (MOVING, IMPROVING AND GAINING HEALTH TOGETHER AT THE Y)

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<th>Brief Description or Objective</th>
<th>MIGHTY is a community-based, multi-disciplinary, pediatric, obesity treatment program. It is held at multiple locations including the YMCA of Greater Springfield, YMCA of Greater Westfield, YMCA in Greenfield, and most recently, the Scantic Valley YMCA located in Wilbraham. MIGHTY includes 14 two hour sessions of physical activity, nutrition, and behavior modification, over a one year period. It targets children and adolescents age 5-21. Sessions are augmented by individual exercise training, weekly phone calls, monthly group activities, cooking classes, free swimming lessons, behavioral health consults, and gardening experience. In addition, participants and their families are given a free six-month membership to their local YMCA. Ongoing monthly maintenance groups are available to all previous program participants.</th>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>Serve children age two years to twenty-one years with a diagnosis of obesity (BMI &gt; 95% for age) and offer them and their family resources aimed at promoting healthy nutrition, healthy activity and a healthy lifestyle.</td>
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<td>University of Massachusetts, Amherst campus <a href="http://www.umass.edu">www.umass.edu</a></td>
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<td>Live Well Springfield <a href="http://www.livewellspringfield.org">www.livewellspringfield.org</a></td>
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<td>Westfield YMCA <a href="http://www.westfieldy.org">www.westfieldy.org</a></td>
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<td>Area schools and school nurses</td>
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<td>Pediatricians in Hampden, Franklin, &amp; Hampshire County</td>
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<td>Massachusetts In Motion</td>
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<td>Contact Information</td>
<td>Chrystal Wittcopp, MD, Baystate General Pediatrics, 140 High Street, Springfield, MA. 413-794-7455. <a href="mailto:chrystal.wittcopp@baystatehealth.org">chrystal.wittcopp@baystatehealth.org</a>.</td>
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### OPIOID TASK FORCE OF FRANKLIN COUNTY & NORTH QUABBIN

| Brief Description or Objective | In 2014, BFMC joined with other organizations and individuals in the community to address a rapidly growing incidence of heroin and other opioid use and overdoses in the community. By turns, the president of the hospital and chief medical officer co-chaired the Health Solutions Committee of the Task Force with a community physician; this was the largest focus of the Task Force’s work. Baystate’s director of community relations participated on that committee and also on the strategic planning and executive committees, while more than 300 individuals became involved on the overall Task Force to take a part in addressing this critical health need. All of the hospital’s related primary care practices, its Emergency Physicians and Hospitalists, and the great majority of its specialty providers have subsequently signed the pledge and completed implementation activities. The Task Force further informed BFMC’s application for a phase 2 CHART grant from the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission. This grant is being implemented at the hospital, in part, to institute SBIRT: Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment. |
| Program Type | Total Population of Community-Wide Interventions |
| Tags | Community Education; Health Professional/Staff Training; Prevention |
| Target Population | Regions Served: County-Franklin |
| Gender | All |
| Age Group | All |
| Ethnic/Racial Group | All |
| Language | English |
| Environment Served | Rural |
| Health Need | DoN Health Priority: Built Environment; Social Environment; Education |
| Focus Issue | Substance Use Disorders; Mental Health and Illness |
| Health Issue | Mental Health; Substance Addiction - Opioid |
| Goals | Goal 1 |
| Description | To serve as a catalyst for community action aimed at reducing opioid abuse and overdose. |
| Status | In progress |
| Partners | Northwestern District Attorney’s Office |
| Clinical and Support Options | www.csoinc.org |
| Contact Information | Annamari Golden, Director, Community Relations, Baystate Health, 280 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA 01199. 413-794-7622. annamarie.golden@baystatehealth.org |
## COMMUNITY BENEFITS EXPENDITURES

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### OPTIONAL INFORMATION

- **Bad Debt**: $2,673,455  
  Certified: **YES**

- **IRS 990 Schedule H**: $6,993,526  
  2017 Tax Return (FY 2018)

**In the Office of Massachusetts Attorney General FY19 community benefits filing, corporate sponsorships are captured under the “Community Benefits Sponsorships” program.**