

An implementation plan has been developed based on the Community Health Needs Assessment process conducted in 2017. The CHNA was conducted in collaboration with Pembina County Public Health to determine the most pressing health needs of Pembina County.

The top needs identified in the CHNA process includes:

- Adult and youth drug use and abuse and availability of substance abuse treatment and services
- Attracting and retaining young families
- Assisted living options
- Mental health services

The Pembina County Memorial Hospital Association (PCMHA) Board of Directors has determined that the following health needs identified in the CHNA should be addressed through the implementation strategy noted for each such need:

1. Assisted Living Options

Key Objective: Provide additional housing options for seniors as they transition from home to other means of care/assistance.

Strategies:

- o Conduct feasibility study of building a new complex to house assisted living residents
- o Conduct feasibility study of converting "x number" of current congregate housing apartments to assisted living apartments
- o Community fundraising project viability/reality

2. Behavioral Health Services

Key objective: increase accessibility to behavior health services <u>Strategies:</u>

- o Research viability of hiring a Nurse Practitioner, specializing in behavioral health, to provide services in CliniCare.
- o Behavior Health Coalition continues to be very active in community education and awareness.

Other needs identified in the CHNA but not addressed in this plan:

- 1. Adult and youth drug use and abuse and availability of substance abuse treatment and services
 - Behavior health services/treatment options anticipated to become available in the community (see above)
 - o Prescription drug take-back program implemented in 2017

2. Attracting and retaining young families

- o PCMHA continues to be an active participant in community recruitment efforts.
- o PCMHA continues to offer competitive wages and benefits to recruit and retain families.