



CHIP Task Force

What's it all about?



What is CHIP?

- Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
- States will develop a State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP)
- Required by the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010*. (“Health Reform”)



Our Goal

Complete a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP):

A written plan which sets forth preferred strategies to improve the health of people of Grays Harbor, reviewed annually to track progress

- Specific to our community
- Using our strengths, assessing our needs
- Setting our own priorities for action

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

Tom Jensen, CEO
March 24, 2011



The Law and 501(c)(3)

Current

- Charitable: operates primarily in pursuit of one or more tax-exempt purposes
- In general: it provides relief for the poor and distressed or underprivileged
- Must submit information re: charity care, community benefits, and bad debt expense



The Law and 501(c)(3)

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

- Continues all previous requirements
- Adds Four (4) New Requirements
 - Reflect concerns that have arisen in recent years about whether non-profit hospitals are really providing public benefits to justify their tax-exempt status



The Law and 501(c)(3)

Four New Requirements

- Community Health Needs Assessment*
- Financial Assistance Policy
- Limitation on Charges
- Billing and Collection Requirements



The Law and 501(c)(3)

Community Health Needs Assessment

- Conduct @ least once every 3 years
 - Input from persons who represent the broad interests of the community served by hospital
- Adopt implementation strategy to meet needs
- Make assessment widely available
- Annual report
 - How hospital is addressing identified needs
 - If needs not addressed, reasons why



The Law and 501(c)(3)

Failure to Complete Community Health Needs Assessment (penalty)

- Excise tax will be imposed on hospital
 - \$50,000 for any applicable tax year until completed



The Public Health Connection

- Hospitals are required to work with a broad group of community members, including public health leaders.
- Public health has additional opportunities to access health improvement funds – and community assessment will be required.
 - \$15 Billion, Prevention and Community Transformation grants
- And, its what we do!

The Grant

- Selected by Washington State Department of Health
- One of three Counties:
 - Grays Harbor
 - Walla Walla
 - Kitsap County
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation:
 - Multi- State Learning Collaborative
- Opportunity to contribute to, and learn from, other communities

What are we dying from?

Causes of death

- Heart disease
- Cancer
- Stroke
- Injury
- Chronic lung disease
- Pneumonia/flu
- Diabetes
- Suicide
- Liver disease
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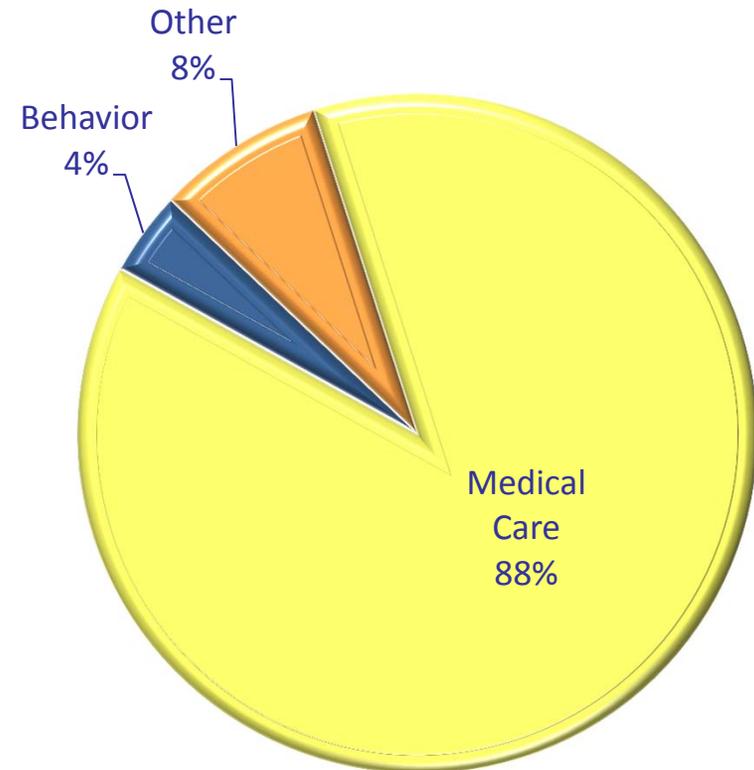
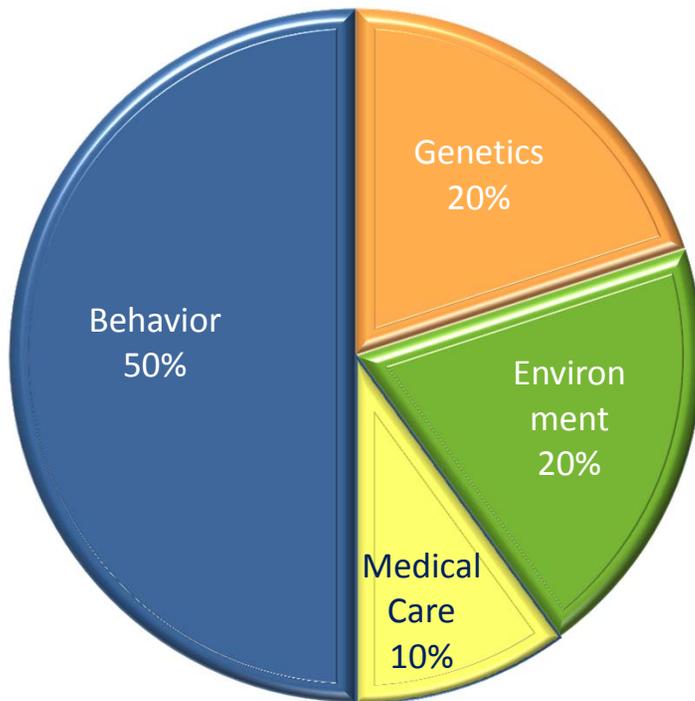
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REAL causes of death

- Tobacco use
- Improper diet
- Lack of physical activity
- Alcohol misuse
- Microbial/toxic agents
- Firearm misuse
- Unsafe sexual behavior
- Motor vehicle crashes
- Use of illicit drugs

What Determines Health vs. Health Spending



Public Health Approach

Mission

Protect and promote the health of people

Key Values

Prevention = “upstream”
Population-based = greater impacts
Science-based = data-driven

How

Policy and Regulation



Programs and Education



Individual Services



Perspectives on Health Care / Public Health

Health Care System

- **Individual** care patient
- Emphasis on treatment
- Licensed medical care providers, such as:
 - Physicians
 - Nurses
 - Lab workers
- Mostly in a medical office

Public Health System

- **Community** as patient
- Emphasis on prevention
- Broad range of disciplines, such as:
 - Epidemiologists
 - Outreach workers
 - Policy and Planning
- Mostly outside a medical office

Evidence-based, Data-driven

- Community-based strategies with proven benefit:
 - Playgrounds and trails
 - Safe walk to schools
 - Complete streets
 - Coordination of services (i.e. medical, housing) and case management
 - Chronic Disease self-management
- We will research effectiveness of strategies



Grays Harbor's Healthy Communities Activities - Examples

- South Shore Mall “Indoor Track”
- County-wide Trail Map
- Worksite wellness programs
- Chronic Disease Classes
- Worksite tobacco policies
- Breastfeeding promotion
- Youth Health Leadership



Process and Timeline

Mar 24



- Purpose
- Process
- Community health overview

Mar 30 – May 21



- Our health and...
 - Children and youth
 - The social safety net
 - Chronic disease prevention
 - The health care system

Jun 23



- Workshop findings
- What works
- Strategic issues
- Goals
- Strategies

Jul-Aug



Sep 8 ⇨



- Review
- Edit
- Final review
- Approve