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Community Health Needs Assessment

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I. INTRODUCTION

Founded in 1875 by the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon, Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center is one of the oldest hospitals in the Pacific Northwest. It is located within an urban, high-density geographic area in inner city Portland. The service area extends across the river to the east and west to the border of the suburbs. The service area is a mix of older established high income residents to low income residents ‘hidden’ in older apartments and single room occupancies, and the homeless on the streets and in shelters.

Legacy Good Samaritan is a member of Legacy Health, a five hospital system established in 1989 by the merger of two nonprofit systems in the four county metropolitan Portland, Oregon area (herein called metro area). Legacy’s mission is “…good health for our people, our patients, our communities, our world.” Consistent with this mission, in FY 14 Legacy Health’s community benefit totaled $288.3 million and unreimbursed costs were $266.6 million. Of this, Legacy Good Samaritan total community benefit was $47.9 million including unreimbursed costs at $43.2 million.

II. BACKGROUND

A. Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: Community Health Needs Assessments and Community Health Improvement Plans

Included within the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), IRS Section 501(r)(3) now requires tax exempt hospital facilities to conduct a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) at least once every three years. Specific requirements specify the CHNA process, development of priorities and report approval and publication. Hospitals are also mandated to develop a separate implementation strategies plan, i.e., Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), addressing prioritized issues identified in the CHNA.

The purpose of the community health needs assessment and aligned community health improvement plan is to determine the priority factors influencing the health of the community, to identify the needs and gaps impacting the health status of cohort populations within the broader community and to identify how the organization’s resources and expertise can be matched with external resources to optimally address those issues. The community is defined as the primary service area.

Each Legacy hospital last conducted a community health needs assessment in FY 12. Community health needs assessments and community health improvement plans are approved by the Legacy Health Board of Directors and made available to the public in compliance with IRS requirements.

B. Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative Community Health Needs Assessment

With a goal of improved efficiency and effectiveness and in preparation to meet the community health needs assessment requirements of the ACA and Public Health Accreditation, in 2010 the metro area hospitals and public health departments (Clackamas, Multnomah, Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington) convened to develop a regional CHNA. Prior to this, each of the hospitals/health systems and health departments had conducted community health needs assessments independently and experienced duplication of efforts and resources.

The organization was named Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative (HCWC). It is comprised of all fifteen hospitals, the four local public health departments and the two coordinated care organizations in the four-county region. Members include: Adventist Medical Center, Clackamas County Health Division, Clark County Public Health Department, FamilyCare, Health Share of Oregon, Kaiser Permanente Sunnyside Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente Westside Medical Center, Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center, Legacy
Meridian Park Medical Center, Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center, Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center, Multnomah County Health Department, Oregon Health & Science University, Peace Health Southwest Medical Center, Providence Milwaukie Medical Center, Providence Portland Medical Center, Providence St. Vincent Medical Center, Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center, Tuality Health Care/Tuality Community Hospital and Washington County Public Health Division. In 2012, the Multnomah County Health Department contracted to be the legal entity and neutral convener.

HCWC utilized a modified version of the nationally accepted Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) to conduct the regional community health needs assessment. Consistent with IRS requirements, MAPP incorporates health data and community input to identify the most important community health issues. Community input on strategies is obtained and evaluation is performed throughout the three-year cycle with formal findings every three years.

### Modified MAPP Model

- **Community Themes and Strengths Assessment**
- **Health Status Assessment**
- **Local Community Health System Assessment**
- **Forces of Change Assessment**
- **EPI Work Group Prioritize Important Community Health Needs** Includes community members input already collected from other projects in four counties & HCI data
- **Hospital, Public Health & Community Capacity to Address Community Health Needs** Includes input from interviews with community leaders/organizations
- **Leadership Group Selects Which Community Health Needs Will Be Addressed**
- **Strategies**
- **Improved Health of Community**

In compliance with the IRS, the regional HCWC CHNA satisfies a majority of Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center’s CHNA requirements. Data shown in this report is derived from the HCWC regional community health needs assessment when available. Sources are not cited directly in this report when the information provided is from the HCWC CHNA, HCWC website and Legacy Finance, e.g., hospital specific data. All sources are listed in Appendix B. Summaries of the HCWC CHNA process are found in Section IV and the process and priority issues reports in Appendix C.

HCWC used Healthy Communities Institute (HCI), state, county and local data. Quantitative secondary data at the primary service area level is used when available, followed by the hospital’s county and state in order of preference and availability. Race and ethnicity data is most commonly available only at the county and/or state level. County and state data are included in the HCWC HCI data platform while primary service area data is from other cited sources.

### III. COMMUNITY PROFILE

#### A. Service area

Legacy Good Samaritan is located in one of the original neighborhoods establishing Portland--inner Northwest Portland bordering on downtown. The primary service area extends from the Columbia River in the north to below Highway 99E in the south and from Walker Road in the west to NE/SE 161st in the east. The service area includes the close in neighborhood communities of Nob Hill, Old Town/Chinatown, Pearl District, Goose Hollow, John’s Landing, Lair Hill, West Sylvan, Garden Home, Multnomah Village, Forest Heights, West Slope and Cedar Mills. As mentioned earlier, some of these neighborhoods include both the wealthiest in the metro area and the very poorest—within blocks of each other. As a tertiary facility, Legacy Good Samaritan draws patients from the primary...
service area and throughout Multnomah County and even from the other metro area counties. Multnomah County data is very appropriate to Legacy Good Samaritan’s draw and county level and state data are used in this community health needs assessment when primary service area data is not available. Zip codes for the primary service area include: 97005-97008, 97201-97222, 97225, 97227, 97229, 97230, 97232, 97233, 97236, 97239 and 97266.

B. Population

The Legacy Good Samaritan primary service area included 935,693 people in 2013 estimated with 5.7 percent growth projected between 2013 and 2018. The majority lives in Multnomah County which showed a 2013 estimated population of 766,135. Multnomah County contains 35.6 percent and the Legacy Good Samaritan service area 43.5 percent of the four county 2.2 million population. (Intellimed)

C. Race, ethnicity and disparities

By ethnicity and race, in 2013 the Legacy Good Samaritan primary service area was 69.7 percent non-Hispanic white, 12.3 percent Hispanic, 4.7 percent African American, 8.7 percent Asian and Pacific Islander, 3.6 percent bi-racial, .2 percent other race and .7 percent Native American. (Intellimed)

While communities of color are less visible on the inner westside of the Willamette River in Legacy Good Samaritan’s surrounding neighborhoods, this area is the site of a significant portion of the homeless where communities of color are disproportionately represented.

Health status is affected by many different factors—social and economic, health behaviors, clinical care and physical environment. In addition to health behaviors and clinical care, Legacy Health has placed emphasis on the social and economic determinants of education, health literacy, income and housing. Disparities exist across the myriad of indicators.

Social and economic factors

Multnomah County’s median household income (mhi) average 2008-2012 was $51,582 with 17.1 percent of the population living below poverty. This compared to Washington County’s mhi average at $64,375 with 10.9 percent below poverty, Clackamas County at $63,951 with 9.7 percent below poverty and Clark County at $58,764 with 12.0 percent below poverty. Disparities exist disaggregating by race and ethnicity. In Multnomah County, non-Hispanic white median household income at $55,346 compared to Asian at $54,561, Hispanic/Latino at $36,572, American Indian/Alaska Native at $29,695 and Black/African American at $27,347. Families living below poverty level show non-Hispanic white at 7.9 percent relative to Asian at 12.6 percent, two or more races at 19.6 percent, Black/African American at 32.6 percent, Hispanic/Latino at 30.7 percent and American Indian/Alaska Native at 35.5 percent.

Education is often cited as the key to upward social and economic mobility for individuals and, in turn, a community’s health status. The Healthy People 2020 national health target is to increase the proportion of students who graduate high school within four years of their first enrollment in 9th grade to 82.4 percent.

The 2011 overall high school graduation rate in Multnomah County was 67.2 percent. County-level race and ethnicity data is not available, but Legacy Good Samaritan service area’s largest school district shows the non-Hispanic white cohort to have a graduate rate greater than Native Americans, African American Black and Hispanic Americans. Portland School District shows a 15 percentage point difference between the non-Hispanic white student population and African American and Hispanics. (Greater Portland Pulse)
Multnomah County college completion rate 25 years and older was 39.2 percent as compared to 31.8 percent in Clackamas County, 39.5 percent in Washington County and 26.0 percent in Clark County (2008-2012). Again, disparities are evident; Multnomah County showed a 43.3 percent graduation rate for non-Hispanic whites, 36.7 percent Asians, 19.8 percent for African Americans/Blacks, 16.6 percent for Hispanics and 16.1 percent for Native Americans. Non-Hispanic whites are nearly three times as likely to have a bachelor’s degree as Native Americans and Hispanics.

### Health behaviors and clinical care

Health behaviors and outcomes by county and Oregon and Washington states are detailed in the regional CHNA. With the advent of the Affordable Care Act, it is critical to realize that coverage does not equate to access, i.e., newly enrolled Medicaid patients have difficulty accessing a provider. Additionally, new enrollees face challenges learning to navigate a complex health care delivery system.

Communities of color often experience increased mortality as compared to non-Hispanic whites due to accessing care at later and higher acuity stages. The Urban Institute reports the estimated national cost of racial and ethnic disparities for African Americans and Hispanics relative to non-Hispanic whites in 2009 was $23.9 billion calculated based on change in expenditure if the cohort’s age specific prevalence rates were the same as non-Hispanic whites. (Waidmann) Increasing both access and coverage to health care for communities of color is essential to increasing equity.

Infant mortality is an accepted indicator of a community’s health status. The Healthy People 2020 target is a maximum of 6 per 1000 live births. In Oregon 2008-2010 average, the non-Hispanic white rate was 4.8/1000 relative to Blacks at 9.5, Native Americans at 8.5, Asians at 5.5 and Hispanics at 4.6. In Multnomah County 2008-2010 average, Blacks were the highest at 12.6/1000 compared to Asians 4.6, non-Hispanic whites at 5.1 and Hispanics at 3.6 (Native American data not available). (March of Dimes)

A community’s health morbidity statistics commonly include those diseases most related to high mortality (heart, cancer and low birth weight), chronic conditions such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes and asthma and self-reported health and mental health status (the latter have been statistically validated as predictors of community health status).

Low birth weight is correlated to adult morbidity, specifically hypertension, diabetes and heart disease. The Healthy People 2020 target is 7.8 percent maximum. In 2012 Multnomah County’s low birth weight was 6.3 percent. (Greater Portland Pulse) Disaggregation by race and ethnicity shows a different picture. In Multnomah County 2008-2010, African American women showed a low birth weight rate at 9.0 percent, Asian/Pacific Islander 6.8 percent, American Indian 5.8 percent, Hispanic 5.7 percent and non-Hispanic white 5.2 percent. (Greater Portland Pulse)

Major risk factors for heart disease are smoking, lack of physical exercise, hypertension and overweight/obesity. Communities of color experience the greatest morbidity rates. In 2010-11, according to the Oregon Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Race Oversight Sample, cohorts reported having heart disease and having had a heart attack: non-Hispanic whites 3.6 percent, African Americans 5.7 percent, American Indians 4.1 percent, Asian/Pacific Islanders 4.9 percent.
percent. Thus, African Americans reported a heart disease diagnosis at a 58 percent higher rate than non-Hispanic whites. *(OHA Public Health Division)*

People with diabetes are more likely to also have heart disease and self-report their general health as fair or poor as compared to good or excellent. 2008-2011 diabetes age adjusted prevalence was 6.6 percent in Multnomah County relative to 7.5 percent in Clackamas and 6.0 percent in Washington counties. Diabetes is more prevalent in communities of color. Percentages in Oregon in 2010-11 were: African Americans 22.5 percent, Native Americans 13.5 percent, Hispanics 15.2 percent, Asian/Pacific Islanders 7.0 percent and non-Hispanic whites 7.4 percent. These are consistent with national data. *(OHA Oregon Public Health Division)* According to studies, communities of color are also more likely to have diabetes-related complications than non-Hispanic whites due to poorer control of the disease and co-morbidities, i.e., high blood pressure and cholesterol as well as poorer access to care.

The National Patient Safety Foundation has said that no other single factor has as great an influence on health status as health literacy. Nearly half of the US adult population has low health literacy—a quality and cost issue for patients and society. Higher illness rates mean lower productivity at work and poor parental health often results in low student school attendance—with a direct correlation to lower educational achievement. Nationally research has shown that specific populations are particularly at risk:

- Hispanic, African American, and Native American populations
- Recent immigrants
- Low income
- People age 65 years and older

The growth of communities of color in the area will present significant challenges to health care providers by increasing the prevalence of low health literacy. The majority of the newly insured under the ACA are from those populations most at risk for low health literacy: communities of color and the low income. Unlike many modifiable health behaviors, the onus for dealing with health literacy falls primarily on health care providers. Since 2010, Legacy Health’s system-wide initiative has aimed to improve health literacy communication with patients as well as partner with community based organizations through both grant funding and collaborative strategies to improve health literacy within the broader community.

**D. Community Needs Index**

The Dignity Health and Truven Health Community Needs Index (CNI) is accepted as the national standard in identifying communities with health disparities and comparing relative need. It provides a composite picture of needs using a variety of demographic and socioeconomic indicators. The CNI outlines health disparity severity in all zip codes in the US. The five areas measured are income, culture/language, education, insurance and housing. *(Dignity Health)*

Community Needs Indexing for the four county area shows the nine highest needs index zip codes (scale of 1 low need to 5 high need) are all in Legacy hospital primary service areas, with the four highest in close proximity to Legacy Emanuel or Mount Hood. Top nine CNI in the metro area: 4.6: 97203-St. Johns, 97227-Boise Eliot, 97218-Cully, 97233-Rockwood; 4.4: 98660-West Vancouver; 4.2: 97266-Lents, 97205-Goose Hollow, 97209-Old Town, 97005-Beaverton. Old Town 97209 begins one block from Legacy Good Samaritan.

Legacy Good Samaritan’s focus is the highest Community Needs Index zip codes in its area which include: 97209-Old Town, 97205-Goose Hollow, 97204-Downtown, 97201-Downtown and 97210-Nob Hill.
E. County Health Rankings

The Robert Wood Johnson and University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute annually publish County Health Rankings for all counties in the United States. The rankings provide a comprehensive overview of Health Factors and Health Outcomes, comparable across counties within states. They are a commonly accepted national standard of ranking. Health factors are categorized by four broader measurements—health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors and physical environment further stratified into 25 indicators. Health outcomes stratify two measurements--mortality and morbidity--by five indicators.

Within the state of Oregon, Washington County ranked third in overall health outcomes, followed by Clackamas at fifth place and Multnomah in 12th place. Relative to health factors, Washington placed second, Clackamas fourth and Multnomah eighth.

F. Health care services for the low income and uninsured

The Legacy Good Samaritan primary service area includes four other large tertiary hospitals, including two trauma 1 centers. Legacy Emanuel Medical Center is one of these tertiary trauma 1 centers and located just two miles east of Legacy Good Samaritan. Providence Health and Services operates one of the other tertiary centers three miles west of Legacy Good Samaritan and the other five miles east. The last tertiary and trauma 1 center is OHSU, which is also site of the only medical school in Oregon. Legacy Good Samaritan’s internal medicine residency program operates a teaching clinic on-site serving the low income and uninsured.

The Affordable Care Act is significantly increasing the insured rate in Oregon. With a June 2013 Oregon uninsured rate of 14 percent, by June 2014 the rate had decreased to 5.1 percent—a 63 percent decrease (from 550,000 to 202,000 people). Most of the newly enrolled are now in the Oregon Health Plan which increased 360,000 people—59 percent. (OHSU and OHA)

With the long-standing income disparities in the Legacy Good Samaritan area, safety net services have expanded. (See Appendix A for a listing of safety net clinics in the four counties.) Multnomah County Health Department operates FQHCs in downtown Portland and inner Northeast. The nonprofit safety net clinics are among the oldest and most credible in Portland. Central City Concern offers comprehensive medical (FQHC), housing, detox sobering, alcohol and drug rehabilitation and employment services for the homeless just one mile from the hospital. Legacy Good Samaritan contracts with Central City Concern to provide recuperative care services for discharged patients, has a representative on the board and provides an annual cash donation. The Wallace Medical Concern, which recently became a FQHC, is over 25 years old and also operates a clinic in Old Town; Legacy Good Samaritan provides a financial donation, board representation and administrative office space on its campus at no charge. Outside In is also an FQHC in downtown Portland focusing on the young adult homeless community, a large proportion of who are LGBTQ; Legacy provides a financial donation and board representation. SW Community Health Center is a volunteer staffed safety net clinic serving a hidden pocket of immigrant populations; in addition to an annual donation and board representation, Legacy Good Samaritan Internal Medicine residents volunteer at the clinic.

A local nonprofit, Project Access NOW, links uninsured low income individuals to providers and health system services providing services at no charge. All of the health systems in the metro area are very involved with this program. Legacy Health, in addition to providing clinical services, provides a financial donation and office space to the administrative offices of Project Access NOW in-kind on the Legacy Good Samaritan campus.

Legacy Good Samaritan’s charity care policy includes patients with incomes up to 400 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). With the advent of the Affordable Care Act, a significant number of
people under 139% of the FPL now have Medicaid coverage. This will reduce the self-pay/charity care costs to hospitals; at the same time it is expected to increase the unreimbursed costs of Medicaid. Total unreimbursed costs are projected to decrease in the future, but the amount is unknown at this time. In FY 14, the hospital provided $10.7 million in charity care and total unreimbursed costs of care amounted to $43.2 million.

G. Hospital data: discharges and zip codes

The Community Needs Index tool has been validated by comparing it with hospital admission rates. Admission rates for high need communities as measured by the CNI are more than 60% greater than communities with the lowest indices. (Dignity)

Comparison of Legacy highest cost zip codes shows consistency with CNI mapping. Ten zip codes totaled $58.7 million and accounted for 37.7% of Legacy emergency department self-pay and Medicaid dollars in FY 13. The top ten are, in order of percent of Legacy emergency department total Medicaid and self-pay dollars ranked 1-10:

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subtotal 37.7% $58,726,941

One of the top ten is located in the heart of the hospital’s neighborhood—Old Town 97209. It scores at CNI 4.2—in the high CNI range. This type of mapping allows for highly selective targeting of initiatives to areas where they are needed most.

Looking at Legacy Good Samaritan’s Medicaid and self-pay emergency department visits in FY 13, the top ten zip codes accounted for 57.7% of the $16.5 million charges. Seven of the ten zip codes scored in the highest range—3.6 and above (St. Johns 97023 at 4.6, Old Town 97209 and Goose Hollow 97205 at 4.2, Kenton 97217 and Concordia 97211 at 4.0, St. Helens 97051 and Downtown 97201 at 3.6) and two more above 3.0 (Buckman 97214 at 3.4 and Nob Hill 97210 at 3.2).

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality’s (AHRQ) nationally accepted measure of ambulatory sensitive conditions (ASC) is an indicator of access to appropriate primary health care, i.e., conditions where access to appropriate ambulatory care prevents or reduces admission to the hospital. (AHRQ) A review of FY 14 Legacy Good Samaritan emergency department Medicaid/self pay primary diagnosis shows that 20.9 percent of all Medicaid/self pay visits were ASC. The top five ASC diagnoses were: severe ear, nose and throat infections; cellulitis; dental conditions; chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and asthma.
IV. Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative Community Health Needs Assessment

A. Process

The entire CHNA process, findings and priority focuses are detailed in reports in Appendix C. Following is a summary of each phase in the CHNA’s identification of needs followed by prioritizing needs.

1. Community Themes and Strengths Assessment: Important Health Issues Identified by Community Members

Sixty-two community engagement/needs assessment projects conducted between 2009 and 2012 by a spectrum of organizations were evaluated to develop an overview and cross-comparison of past community engagement projects, description of participants and findings. This served as history and base to the next phases.

2. Health Status Assessment: Quantitative Data Analysis Methods and Findings

HCWC public health department epidemiologists conducted a systematic analysis of quantitative population health-related behavior and outcome data to identify important health issues affecting each of the four counties as well as the region. More than 120 indicators (mortality, morbidity and health behaviors) were examined. The analysis used the following criteria for community health needs prioritization: disparity by race/ethnicity, disparity by gender, a worsening trend, a worse rate at the county level compared to the state, a high proportion of the population affected and severity of the health impact. The HCWC focused on health behaviors and health outcomes as community health needs.

3. Local Community Health System and Forces of Change Assessment: Stakeholders’ Priority Health Issues and Capacity to Address Them

Stakeholder feedback was obtained on the health issues derived from the previous assessment work and epidemiological data. Stakeholders were asked to add and prioritize health issues they thought should be on the list, as well as describe their organization’s capacity to address these health issues. Input was obtained from public health, tribal, regional, state or local health or other departments as well as medically underserved, low income and minority populations and those with chronic disease needs. A complete list of organizations is included in the report.

4. Community Listening Sessions: Important Health Issues and Ideas for Solutions

Fourteen community listening sessions were held with uninsured and/or low-income community members living in Clackamas, Clark, Multnomah and Washington counties. Targeted attendees were from diverse culturally-identified and geographic communities. In all, 202 individuals participated. Community members were asked whether they agreed with the issues that were identified through the four assessments, to add to the list the health issues that they thought were missing and to prioritize the most important issues from the expanded list.

B. Priority Issues

Using the information from the four phases, nine health needs/issues were designated initially as most important (in alphabetical order):

- Access to affordable health care
- Cancer
• Chronic disease (related to physical activity and healthy eating)
• Culturally-competent services and data collection
• Injury (falls and accidental poisoning/overdose)
• Mental health
• Oral health
• Sexual health (Chlamydia)
• Substance abuse

HCWC used the following criteria to further prioritize health issues:

• Identified by at least two of the three community engagement activities
• Identified as a health issue (with indicators) through the Health Status Assessment or as an issue for which data are not currently available
• Identified as one of the top five most expensive in the metropolitan statistical areas in the western U.S. or as an issue for which health care expenditure data are not currently available
• Has been shown to improve as a result of at least one type of intervention (evidence-based practices).

HCWC committed to addressing health disparities and working with communities who are experiencing them. All phases of the community health needs assessment specifically looked for health indicators with race/ethnicity and/or gender health disparities. The following four issues were designated as final priorities based on the criteria (in alphabetical order):

• Access to affordable health care
• Chronic disease
• Mental health
• Substance abuse

V. CONCLUSION: LEGACY GOOD SAMARITAN MEDICAL CENTER FOCUS ISSUES

Using the HCWC regional community health needs assessment priorities and incorporating Legacy Good Samaritan’s commitments to health literacy, education influencing health and upward mobility and equity to reduce disparities, Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center will focus on the following issues with a lens addressing racial and ethnic equity.

• Access to health care
• Chronic disease
• Mental health
• Substance use disorder (formerly called Substance abuse)
• Health literacy
• Education and youth

Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center’s Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) meeting the IRS requirements for implementation strategies addressing these issues is provided in a separate document following the CHNA.
## Appendix A
### Safety Net Clinics

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**Appendix C**

**HCWC Community Health Needs Assessment Reports**

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