

2014 JEFFERSON COUNTY HEALTH PRIORITIES

BACKGROUND: In Spring 2014, a group of community data users led by Jefferson Health Care and Jefferson Public Health reviewed the findings from a community health assessment to develop a list of top issues and final priorities.

PRIORITY: ACCESS TO PREVENTIVE CARE

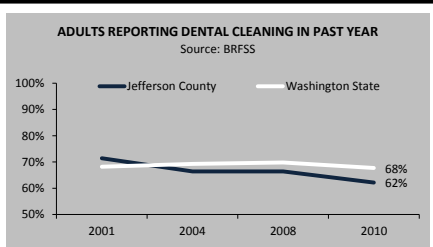
OVERVIEW:

Preventive care includes an array of services intended to reduce the risk of disease. These include dental cleanings, screening tests, counseling, immunizations or medications to prevent disease, detect health problems early, or provide information to support good health-related decision making. Preventive services also include interventions and information to reduce the risk of injuries.

DRAFT ACTION AREA IDEAS:

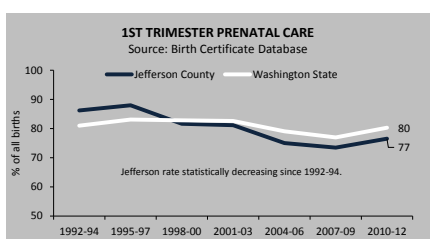
DENTAL:

Jefferson County has fewer dental providers than deemed necessary for a population of its size. Over time, fewer Jefferson adults have been getting annual dental cleanings.



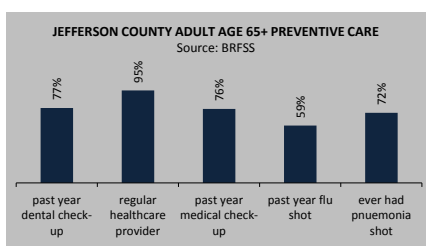
PRENATAL:

Fewer Jefferson County pregnant women start prenatal care during the first trimester compared to previous years and the rates are much lower for pregnant women on Medicaid.



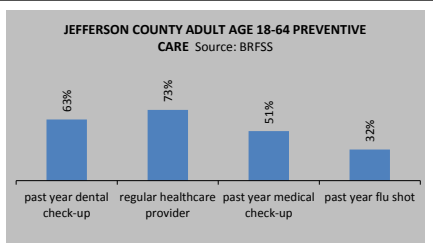
SENIORS:

While the health of seniors is largely determined by their experiences and choices over their lifetime, continued focus on disease and injury prevention are critical.



YOUNGER ADULTS:

While the landscape of health care affordability and accessibility are in transition under the Affordable Care Act, many younger adults have historically low rates of preventive health and dental care access.



FACTS

JEFFERSON COUNTY HAS FEDERALLY DESIGNATED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREAS FOR PRIMARY CARE AND DENTAL CARE¹

53% OF ADULTS REPORT HAVING DENTAL INSURANCE; 62% REPORT A DENTAL CLEANING IN THE PAST YEAR²

60% OF LOW-INCOME PREGNANT WOMEN START PRENATAL CARE IN THE 1ST TRIMESTER; 80% OF HIGHER INCOME PREGNANT WOMEN³

59% OF ADULTS AGE 65+ REPORT GETTING A FLU SHOT IN THE PAST YEAR; 71% REPORT EVER HAVING A PNEUMONIA SHOT²

ON AVERAGE EACH YEAR, 6 JEFFERSON ADULTS AGE 65+ DIE FROM ACCIDENTAL FALLS⁴

58% OF ADULTS REPORT A ROUTINE MEDICAL CHECK-UP IN THE PAST YEAR; 43% OF ADULTS WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION OR LESS²

2014 DATA REVIEW AND PRIORITIES PROCESS FACILITATED BY JEFFERSON HEALTH CARE AND JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

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Sources: 1. <http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/HPSASearch.aspx>. 2. Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. 3. WA State Dept. of Social and Health Services, Characteristics of Women Who Gave Birth. 4. Death Certificate Database.