Our Priorities

Our History



Child Health and Safety

Goal: Enhance knowledge of, availability of, and access to child health services and resources in Hernando County

Access to Care

Goal: Improve access to all healthcare services in Hernando County

Healthy Behaviors

Goal: Increase awareness of and participation by Hernando County residents in year-round healthy behavior opportunities

Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Goal: Increase awareness of mental health and substance abuse treatment, prevention, and support services in Hernando County The Community Health Improvement Plan Partnership (CHIPP) dates back to 1988 when the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners appointed the first Health Care Advisory Board. Comprised of area healthcare leaders, the advisory board was charged with identifying gaps in the local health care system, researching and recommending strategies for improvement, and evaluation of progress. In 2010, the Hernando County Chamber of Commerce assisted in restructuring the Health Care Advisory Board so that in 2012, the newly named Hernando County Community Health Improvement Plan Partnership became a free standing entity. In 2014, led by a five-person Executive Committee and a membership of over seventeen community organizations, CHIPP applied for and received its 501(c)3 not for profit designation.

A significant contribution the Advisory Board/ CHIPP has made to improving health in Hernando County is its longstanding commitment to the local community health assessment (CHA) process. The purpose of the CHA is to regularly assess health issues using the nationally recognized Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) model. The completed CHA provides the community with a rich resource for effective strategic planning and data analysis.





Mission & Purpose

Membership & Meetings

Partner Support



Our Mission

To provide a networking forum for information and education to improve the health of people in Hernando County.

Our Purpose

To support community/ partner activities that address priority areas identified in Hernando's Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).





Our Membership:

CHIPP is comprised of partners from a variety of community sectors including city and county government, private industry,private citizens, law enforcement, public and private education, healthcare and non-profit organizations.

Our Meetings:

CHIPP meets five times per year: February, May, July, September and November. Check our Facebook page for meeting dates, times and location.





The Projects We Support:

- Hernando County
- **Community Health Assessment**
- 5210 Healthy Choices campaign
- Hernando County Children's Week
- Great Hernando Weight Loss Challenge
- Kiwanis Empowerment Project
- 211 Cares Resource Line
- Mental Health First Aid
- Hernando Cares Resource Guide
- Diabetes Self-Management Programs
- Safe Routes to Schools Global Walk to School Day
- Florida Healthy Babies Initiative

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