



***Mohave County Dept. of Public Health and KRMC
Jointly Publish Community Health Assessment
& Community Health Improvement Plan***

Mohave County, AZ (July 7, 2022) – The Mohave County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) and Kingman Regional Medical Center (KRMC) announced today the publication of the Mohave County Community Health Needs Assessment 2022 and the Mohave County Community Health Improvement Plan 2022-2025.

The reports are available here:

MCDPH's website at <https://www.mohave.gov/ContentPage.aspx?id=127&cid=635>

KRMC's website at www.azkrmc.com/community/community-health-improvement-initiative

The community health needs assessment (CHNA) contains qualitative and quantitative health information for determining key factors that impact the overall health of Mohave County residents.

The community health improvement plan (CHIP) documents the process of engaging individuals and groups representing broad community interests to prioritize local health issues. These individuals and groups also collaborated to set goals and objectives for addressing these issues, which are outlined in the CHIP.

Both the CHNA and CHIP are part of an ongoing community initiative called "Live Well Mohave" to improve health and quality of life in Mohave County communities. The process involves performing a community health needs assessment and developing a community health improvement plan every three years.

Since 2012, the Mohave County Department of Public Health and Kingman Regional Medical Center have partnered to lead the *Live Well Mohave* initiative. This partnership was prompted by separate agency requirements. MCDPH is required to perform a community health assessment and complete a community health improvement plan for health department accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board. As a non-profit hospital, KRMC is also required to assess health in the community, in compliance with Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requirements of charitable hospitals as part of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Both entities use the CHNA and CHIP to inform their respective planning efforts. KRMC is also required to publish the healthcare system's strategies for addressing community health needs,

which are documented in a separate [hospital implementation plan](#), which is also available to the public at www.azkrmc.com.

Since no single agency or organization can make measurable improvements in population health or public health alone, the *Live Well Mohave* initiative involves additional partnerships with people and organizations representing most sectors of the community, including city and county government, Tribal organizations, healthcare providers, mental health providers, businesses, local charitable organizations, faith organizations, law enforcement, courts, schools, colleges, and multiple community service organizations.

Based on the CHNA and CHIP, the Live Well Mohave initiative also establishes workgroups (called “CHIP” work groups) involving community stakeholders to actively address priority health issues on an ongoing basis. These groups work to implement initiatives for meeting goals and objectives established in the community health improvement plan (CHIP).

This shared ownership is vital for improving community health. The end result is a comprehensive effort to improve health in Mohave County. Through collaboration across all sectors of our community, the effort allows the effective use of limited resources for addressing unmet community health needs.

For more information or to get involved, please email livewellmohave@mohave.gov or call 928-753-0748.

About the Mohave County Department of Public Health

(MCDPH) serves the county’s 216,985 residents by employing approximately 80 public health professionals when fully staffed, assigned to one of four divisions: Administration, Public Health Nursing, Environmental Health, and Nutrition & Health Promotion. The goals of the department include:

- Chronic disease prevention
- Improve maternal and child health outcomes
- Build and strengthen community partnerships
- Maximize tools and resources
- Promote and protect community safety

The MCDPH mission is to promote, protect, and improve the health of our communities, and its vision is to have healthy people in healthy communities. This work is accomplished by offering a variety of dynamic, innovative public health promotion and prevention programs, services, and activities to address the health priorities in the county and meet department strategic goals.

About Kingman Regional Medical Center

(KRMC) is a 235-bed multi-campus health care system in Kingman, Arizona that employs over 1,900 employees, 150 volunteers, and 270 physicians/allied health professionals. KRMC is the largest provider of health and wellness services in northwestern Arizona. It is home to an advanced imaging center, cancer center, cardiovascular center, rehabilitation and balance center, wound care center, sleep disorders center, acute rehabilitation specialty hospital, primary and specialty care clinics, hospice home, and beautiful wellness center. KRMC is also a teaching hospital offering residencies in emergency medicine and family medicine, and a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. The hospital received the Arizona Innovation Award for its efforts to proactively enhance healthcare in a rural community. The hospital's vision is to be among the kindest, highest quality health systems in the country. For more information, visit www.azkrmc.com.