

Community Needs Assessment

Primary Data

Pickett County Community Health Assessment Survey

The community health assessment survey provides a profile of perceived health care needs and problems facing the community. Its purpose is to obtain subjective data from a cross section of the health care services, problems and needs in the county. The survey includes questions about the health and social problems affecting the community as well as the availability, adequacy, accessibility and level of satisfaction of health care service in the community. The community survey is not a scientific random sample of the community, however it does represent a cross section of the community, i. e. young families, single parents, the elderly, farmers, business leaders, rural residents, etc. The community development staff distributed the community health assessment survey to the health council members, who then circulated the surveys throughout the community. Results of the survey were tabulated and analyzed using the “Epi Info” computer software. The community development staff presented the final results and analysis of the survey to the county health council. The following list identifies the perceived problems facing the Pickett County community based on the survey results.

		Top Ten Issues Highlighted
Smoking	66%	
Teen Alcohol/Drug Abuse	63%	
High Blood Pressure	58%	
Adult Alcohol Abuse	58%	
Smokeless Tobacco	53%	
Teen Pregnancy	50%	
Heart Conditions	50%	
Arthritis	48%	
Stress	47%	
Lack of Sex Education	44%	
Adult Drug Abuse	43%	
Diabetes	42%	
Lung Cancer	41%	
Obesity	39%	
Unemployment	39%	
Other cancer	37%	
Breast Cancer	28%	
Depression	25%	
School Dropout	26%	
Asthma	24%	
Colon Cancer	23%	
Domestic Violence	22%	