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We are pleased to provide the Annual Community Benefit Report for the UI Health Office of Community Engagement and Neighborhood Health Partnerships (OCEAN-HP). Our definition of community benefit is adapted from widely accepted definitions which describe programs or activities that provide treatment, promote health and improve human conditions in response to community needs. Community benefit work generates low or negative financial returns. Our programs respond to the needs of special populations including persons living in poverty and those with limited access to healthcare. We provide services that would not exist without the philosophical and financial commitment of the institution and the people who are involved in education or research designed to improve overall community health. Our approach engages community partners in such a way that strengthens existing assets and begins a process that embeds solutions into a community agenda.

In 2015 OCEAN-HP REACHED OVER 302,553 CHICAGO RESIDENTS

This report provides a conservative estimate of the scope of OCEAN-HP education, service and research activities.

WHAT WE DO...

- Health Professional Education
- Community Capacity Consultation
- Direct Medical Services
- Health Education and Community Based Clinical Services

136 health professionals
623 participants
13,839 health encounters
288,405 contacts

302,553 TOTAL

WHERE WE WORK...

We Promote Community Engagement to Improve Community Health.

In this context, community engagement describes collaboration between those who speak from traditional sources of knowledge (academic) and others who bring the wisdom of lived experiences (community) to the context of mutually helpful partnerships. Our programs are community based, community engaged and grounded by principles of partnership and collaboration. In 2016, all staff received training in trauma informed care. This training enhances our underlying philosophy of creating a work environment and providing services for the “whole person” in the context of their life experience.

Our **Community School Health** program sustained partnerships with 12 public and charter schools to provide health services to students and their families through on-site health centers. OCEAN-HP’s 5 school-based health centers are part of the UI Health, Mile Square Health Center enterprise of federally qualified health centers governed by a community board. In 2016, OCEAN-HP began implementing the phased introduction



Sharing information at National Teachers Academy Health Center

equipment.

of Telehealth services at two health centers. The Telehealth program will support remote provider consultations and health evaluations for chronic and high-risk patients through the use of special audio visual communication

Our **Chicago Partnership or Health Promotion (CPHP)**, *Community Nutrition Education Program*, provides high quality, culturally appropriate, community-based nutrition education through a network of external partners. CPHP provided services at over 300 sites including schools, community organizations, faith institutions, health facilities and park districts. CPHP brings healthy lifestyle messages to low-income communities where



Corner store smoothie promotion

Chicagoans live, work, eat and play. CPHP staff encourages families to make healthier food choices, learn to prepare and consume healthier foods and increase physically activity. In 2015, CPHP organized under seven interventions:

- **Early Childhood:**
Provides nutritional, physical and behavioral education to children in preschool.
- **School-Based Campaign:**
Provides nutritional information to Chicago Public Schools (CPS) students through classroom lessons and promotional materials.
- **Out of School Programs:**
Provide nutritional and physical education to students at park districts, summer camps and after school sites.
- **Adult Education:**
Provides nutritional and physical education to adult audiences.
- **Faith Based Programs:**
Promote healthy eating, physical activity, and obesity prevention in communities of faith.
- **Emergency Food:**
Encourages local food banks and member agencies to provide interactive nutrition education and physical activity information.
- **Healthy Corner Stores:**
Implement strategies to improve the availability of fresh produce in corner stores and promotes healthy food purchases.

Our **Office of Faith Community Health Promotion (OFCHP)** mobilizes the unique strengths of faith communities to



address the social conditions that impact people's health. Services are provided through our **Center for Faith and Community Health Transformation (The Center)**, a partnership between OCEAN-HP and

Advocate Health System's Congregational Health Partnerships. Services include health education, leadership development, guidance in community needs asset assessment, and activities to connect faith communities with UIC.

The **Healthy City Collaborative (HCC)** is a multidisciplinary workgroup that engages university researchers, external partners and community leaders in conversations and research to benefit the health of Chicago. Through HCC, the OCEAN-HP team mentors faculty and students engaged in community research and practice.

Community/Campus Engagement Activities:

- Disseminated research findings for 6 UI Health researchers engaged in community research.
- Conducted citywide Bystander CPR training in partnership with the Illinois Heart Rescue Program of the UI Health Department of Emergency Medicine.
- Hosted Community Research Dialogues for faculty and students interested in Community Based Participatory Research.
- Collaborated with UI Health Department of Pediatrics to implement CHECK (Coordination of Health Care for Complex Kids) to improve the coordination of health care for children and young adults with chronic conditions.

OUR SUPPORTERS...

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- McKesson Foundation
- Northern Trust Foundation
- Polk Bros. Foundation
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- United Way
- U.S. Department of Agriculture-Food Stamp Nutrition Education Program
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- Visiting Nurses Association

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