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Douglas County

Community Health Concerns Survey

This survey is being conducted in partnership with the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department, the Douglas County Community Health Improvement Partnership, and the University of Kansas Work Group for Community Health and Development. The results of this survey will be used to make recommendations to bring about improvements in community health.

**Please return this survey to the person who gave it to you or to the response box located where you picked up a survey**. Please complete this survey only once. The following information is provided for you to decide whether you wish to complete the survey. You should be aware that even if you agree to participate, you are free to withdraw at any time without penalty. Your individual responses will remain confidential; only total survey results will be shared. You are not obligated in any way to take or complete this survey.

If you have any questions regarding this survey or its intended use, please contact Vicki Collie-Akers at [vcollie@ku.edu](mailto:vcollie@ku.edu) or (785) 864-0533.

Completion of the survey indicates your willingness to participate in this project and that you are at least eighteen years old. Thank you for your help.

## Part 1: COMMUNITY HEALTH CONCERNS

In this survey, we would like to ask you about a variety of health issues and your opinions about: (1) how **important** these issues are, and (2) how **satisfied** you are about your community’s efforts to deal with them.

**Instructions:** In the first column, circle the number that shows how important each issue is to you.

In the second column, circle the number that shows how satisfied you are with your community’s efforts to address the issue.

|  | Importance of  the issue | | | | |  | Satisfaction with the community’s efforts | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | NOT | |  | VERY | |  | NOT | |  | VERY | |
| 1. Home-based and hospice services are available in the county. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 2. Local air, water, and soil is free from pollutants. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 3. Quality childcare is available and affordable. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 4. Children and youth have access to basic medical services. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5. Individuals are aware of and know how to access health care services. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 6. Laws against selling or providing cigarettes and smokeless tobacco to minors are strictly enforced. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7. Laws against selling or providing alcohol to minors are strictly enforced. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 8. Victims of rape and sexual assault get the help they need. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 9. Quality education is available for all. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 10. A wide variety of recreational opportunities are available and affordable for people of all ages and levels of physical mobility. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 11. Youth and adults do not binge drink (4 or more drinks in about 2 hours). | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 12. Mental health problems are recognized and treated in our community. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 13. An adequate number of health professionals are available to serve the county. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 14. Children and youth are free from abuse. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 15. Alcoholism and drug dependence are recognized and treatment is available. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 16. Adults and youth know how to avoid unsafe sex and have access to contraceptives. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 17. Health care professionals assess and counsel patients (adults and children) who are overweight or obese on adopting changes and seeking support to reduce their weight. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 18. Our youth graduate from high school. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 19. Pregnant women and new mothers adopt healthy behaviors (e.g., breastfeeding, avoid smoking or using alcohol or drugs, eat healthy foods). | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 20. Healthy foods are available and affordable for all. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 21. There are resources to help people manage diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and arthritis. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 22. Health care is available for all. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 23. Children, youth, and adults maintain healthy weights and active lifestyles. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 24. Health insurance is available for all. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 25. Individuals are free from physical or verbal abuse from their spouses or partners. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 26. Work places support their employees’ efforts in living healthy lifestyles. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 27. People do not drink alcohol and drive. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 28. Parents know how to talk with their children about drugs and alcohol. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 29. Dental care and preventative screenings are available for all. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 30. Children and youth are up to date on their immunizations. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 31. Adults receive recommended vaccinations. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 32. Children and adults do not engage in aggressive or threatening behavior | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 33. Youth and adults do not abuse drugs or alcohol. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 34. Pregnant women access early prenatal care. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 35. Adults in our community have the necessary life skills to be successful. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 36. The infrastructure (for example sidewalks, lighting, trails) in our community makes it easy and safe to be physically active. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 37. Safe and affordable housing is available. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 38. People have opportunities to receive education or skills training. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 39. All residents in the community have adequate emotional and social support. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 40. People of all ages and abilities have available transportation. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

## Part 2: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Please tell us a little information about yourself. This information is anonymous and does not require any identifying information.

1. **What is your age?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. How long have you lived in Douglas County?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

**3. What is your gender?** ⁭ Male ⁭Female

**4. What is your zip code?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**5. What ethnicity are you?**

⁭ White⁭ Hispanic⁭ Black / African American⁭ Native American⁭ Asian⁭ Other

**6. Do you currently have health insurance?** ⁭Yes ⁭No

If you have health insurance, what type do you have?

⁭ Private Health Insurance

⁭ Public Health Insurance (e.g., Medicaid or Medicare)

**7. Please check which of the following best describes your yearly total household income:**

Less than $5,000 $5,000 - $14,999 $15,000 - $24,999 $25,000-$49,999 ⁭$50,000-$75,000 ⁭ $75,000+

**8. What level of education do you have?**

8th grade or less Some high school Completed high school or GED Some college ⁭

College graduate Vocational or technical training Advanced or other degree

**9. Please use this space to tell us about any other concerns you have about health in Douglas County:**

**Thank you for your feedback!**