

ILLINOIS SEARCH PROGRAM

COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT INVENTORY



GENERAL DIRECTIONS FOR STUDENTS AND PRECEPTORS:

- SEARCH students are required to complete one (1) community assessment inventory. Both the student and preceptor must complete the sections at the end of the form and sign the form.
- Complete the assessment questions as best you can. Each community varies and some questions may not be applicable to each area.
- Interviews with community health center staff, community members and leaders, web searches and reviews of demographic source material are helpful resources in completing this inventory.

WHEN THE QUESTIONNAIRE IS COMPLETE

- A copy of the completed inventory must be submitted to the SEARCH Student Coordinator, at the IHEC office at 310 S. Peoria St., Suite 404, Chicago, IL 60607 or via fax at 312-996-0723.

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Student Name

Preceptor Name

Community Health Center

Community Health Center Address

1. PRIMARY COMMUNITY SERVED BY THE HEALTH CENTER

- Define the service area using either census tracts, city community area designation, boundary roads or streets or another standard method.

2. POPULATION OF THE COMMUNITY

TOTAL POPULATION:

POPULATION BY:

AGE (use the age groups used by your health center)

GENDER

Female

Male

RACE/ETHNICITY (use categories used by your health center)

ECONOMIC STATUS (use categories used by your health center)

4. COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE RESOURCES

HOSPITALS MOST COMMONLY USED BY THE CHC's PATIENTS:

List:

Also, why did they choose the CHC over these hospitals?

OTHER COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS AND/OR CLINICS:

List:

OTHER HEALTH FACILITIES RUN BY PUBLIC ENTITIES, INCLUDING PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION SERVICES, ETC.

PRIVATE HEALTH CARE RESOURCES INCLUDING PRIVATE PHYSICIANS: (such as Family Practice, Pediatrics, General Surgeons, Internal Medicine, Ob/Gyne, and Ophthalmologists)

DOES THE CHC HAVE LINKAGES TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING HEALTH SERVICES?

- Dental _____
- Mental Health _____
- Podiatry _____
- Optometry _____
- Substance Abuse _____
- Pharmacy _____
- Others _____

ALTERNATIVE HEALTH PRACTITIONERS OR HEALERS: (acupuncturists, curanderos, herbalists, etc)

List:

6. OTHER COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND ISSUES

MAJOR BUSINESSES: (Walmart, Jewel, etc.)

MAJORITY METHOD OF HOUSING FOR PATIENTS OF CHC: (Homeless, Public housing, Rent, Own)

MAJORITY METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION FOR PATIENTS OF CHC:

ARE THERE ANY PROGRAMS THAT SOME COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS SPONSOR THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL FOR PATIENTS? (Exercise programs, Nutrition programs, Needle exchange, Condom Distribution, Mentoring programs, Support groups, etc.)

WHAT FORMS OF ENTERTAINMENT DO SOME COMMUNITY MEMBERS USE? WHAT DO THEY DO TO HAVE FUN OR RELAX? (Hang out, play sports, go out to eat/drink, rent videos, nothing, etc.)

7. STUDENT ASSESSMENT

Review the information that you have collected. Use the space below to write a brief summary of your assessment that outlines health conditions and social conditions that are most prevalent in the community. Describe how these problems affect the health status of the patients seen at the health center. Use pertinent data whenever appropriate.

8. PRECEPTOR ASSESSMENT

Review the information collected using this inventory and the student's assessment in the previous section. Use the space below to assess the student's completion of the component of the SEARCH Program curriculum and to add any comments.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Preceptor Signature _____

Date _____