

Children's Hospital - FY2005

Summary Narratives

Community Benefits Mission Statement

Children's Hospital Boston uses its medical expertise to help ensure that children can access services, preventable harm is eliminated, families and communities are better able to care for their children, and public policy benefits children.

Program Organization and Management

Children's management includes the Board of Trustees, Board Committee for Community Health (a subcommittee of the hospital board), Community Advisory Board (CAB) and Office of Child Advocacy (OCA). The Board of Trustees is ultimately responsible for the successful operational and financial viability of the hospital. The Board Committee for Community Health makes recommendations to the Board and monitors outcomes of community programs. The CAB advises OCA around program design and implementation. OCA is charged with developing and implementing the hospital's community health mission strategy.

Key Collaborations and Partnerships

Boston Community Health Centers
Boston Public Health Commission
Boston Public Schools
Boston STEPS Coalition
Boston Urban Asthma Coalition
Health Care for All
Injury Free Coalition for Kids
Boston Asthma Environmental Initiative
Parent Professional Advocacy League (PAL)
Roxbury Branch- YMCA

Community Health Needs Assessment

Annually, Children's reviews public health data to track prevalence, incidence, and changes in health status of children locally and statewide. The hospital takes a regular reading of community health needs through its programmatic partners and through its Community Advisory Board. Within the hospital community health team, program staff interact with children and families to understand health needs. All these activities regularly reinforce the more evidence-based information obtained through a bi-annual, formal, in-depth community needs assessment. In 2006, Children's Hospital again will undertake a comprehensive assessment process.

Community Benefits Plan

To help children lead healthy, safe, and active lives, Children's addresses the issues of asthma, obesity, injury prevention, and mental health through coordinated initiatives. By partnering with the community to merge a medical model with a public health model of care, the hospital is able to provide and support a range of services. The hospital has focused on Boston where it has affiliations with health centers and community partnerships. This model aims to achieve long-term outcomes: coordination within the systems of care, the ability to treat "the whole child," and the ability to track and measure improvements in child health.

Key Accomplishments of Reporting Year

- The Asthma Program completed 35 educational workshops to educate an estimated 677 people.
- The Children's Hospital Neighborhood Partnership (CHNP) program provided mental health services to 2,200 children and adolescents, offered training and support to more than 700 school staff and trainees and served 600 parents.
- The Injury Prevention Program distributed 363 sports helmets and 232 car seats were distributed.
- The One Step Ahead program in Children's Primary Care Center provides treatment and prevention for children

who are overweight or at risk of being overweight and served 226 children.

Plans for Next Reporting Year

- Continue to strengthen the Asthma Program with the goal to reach 200 asthma patients; 100 families will agree to receive case management services; and 50 families will have home assessments.
- Work on the coordination of programs including Children's Hospital Neighborhood Partnership, Jamaica Plain Network, CAMHAI, and ASK Program, and further integrate CHNP into Children's Department of Psychiatry.
- Work on the coordination of all injury prevention programs to share services, lessons learned, and monitoring and evaluation plans.
- Continue to identify best practices in fitness and nutrition and provide multidisciplinary medical, nutritional, and physical education to youth.

Select Community Benefits Programs

Injury Prevention Program

Brief Description or Objective

The Injury Prevention Program distributes car seats and bicycle helmets to families in need and carries out groundbreaking work in bringing the injury prevention message directly into homes in low-income communities in the Boston area.

Program Type

Community Benefits Planning Process, Community Education, Community Health Needs Assessment, Community Participation/Capacity Building Initiative, Health Professional/Staff Training, Health Screening, Healthy Communities Partnership, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention, School/Health Center Partnership, Support Group

Target Population

- **Regions Served:**Boston-Jamaica Plain
- **Health Indicator:**Injury and Violence, Other: First Aid/ACLS/CPR, Other: Public Safety, Other: Safety, Other: Safety - Auto/Passenger, Other: Safety - Home, Other: Safety - Sports
- **Sex:**All
- **Age Group:**Adult-Young, All Children, Child-Infant, Child-Preschool, Child-Primary School, Child-Teen, Child-Toddler
- **Ethnic Group:**American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, White
- **Language:**Cambodian , Cape Verdean Creole , Chinese , English , Haitian Creole , Hmong , Korean , Laotian , Other , Portuguese , Russian , Spanish , Vietnamese

Partners

- Injury Free Coalition for Kids(www.injuryfree.org)
- Children's Hospital's Trauma Program
- Children's Hospital Central Nervous System Injury Center
- BuckleUpBoston!
- Boston SafeKids Coalition
- Boston Public Health Commission
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health
- Community Health Centers
 - * Martha Eliot Health Center
 - * Southern Jamaica Plain Health Center
 - * Brookside Community Health Center
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- Jamaica Plain ABCD Head Start
- City Life Urbana

- Committee for Boston Public Housing
- Jamaica Plain Coalition, Tree of Life
- The Hyde Square Task Force
- Boston Public Schools
- Boston Housing Authority
- Bikes Not Bombs
- Associated Early Care & Education
- MSPCC
- Boston Building Materials Co-op

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Detailed Description

Not Specified

Asthma Program

Brief Description or Objective

To improve the self-management of asthma by children and their families.

- *Provider support (primary care and school nurses)
- *The Boston Action Games, Swim, and Camp programs.
- *Community education forums

Program Type

Community Benefits Planning Process, Community Education, Community Health Needs Assessment, Community Participation/Capacity Building Initiative, Direct Services, Health Professional/Staff Training, Health Screening, Healthy Communities Partnership, Mentorship/Career Training/Internship, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention, School/Health Center Partnership

Target Population

- **Regions Served:** Boston, Boston-Allston, Boston-Brighton, Boston-Dorchester, Boston-Jamaica Plain, Boston-Roxbury, Boston-South End
- **Health Indicator:** Other: Asthma/Allergies, Physical Activity
- **Sex:** All
- **Age Group:** Adult-Young, All Children
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Partners

- Boston Urban Coalition
- Boston Public Health Commission
- Various Community Health Centers
- Boston Public School
- Boston Community Centers
- Project Health
- Boston STEPS Coalition
- Greater Boston YMCA
- Roxbury Branch-YMCA

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Children's Hospital Neighborhood Partnerships (CHNP)

Brief Description or Objective

To promote children's social, emotional, and behavioral health and establish long-standing resources for children, families, and their communities.

Program Type

Community Benefits Planning Process, Community Education, Community Health Needs Assessment, Community Participation/Capacity Building Initiative, Direct Services, Health Professional/Staff Training, Health Screening, Healthy Communities Partnership, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention, School/Health Center Partnership, Support Group

Target Population

- **Regions Served:** Boston, Boston-Dorchester, Boston-Fenway Kenmore, Boston-Jamaica Plain, Boston-Roslindale, Boston-Roxbury, Boston-South End, Boston-West Roxbury
- **Health Indicator:** Injury and Violence, Mental Health, Other: Education/Learning Issues, Other: Parenting Skills, Other: Stress Management
- **Sex:** All
- **Age Group:** Adult-Young, All Children
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Partners

- Children's Hospital Department of Psychiatry
- Boston Arts Academy
- Boston Latin School
- Charles Sumner Elementary School
- English High School
- John Marshall Elementary School
- Parent professional Advocacy League (PAL)
- John McCormack Middle School
- Manville School
- Newton South High School
- Patrick Lyndon Pilot School
- Richard Murphy Elementary School
- Sarah Greenwood School
- South Boston High School
- Martha Eliot Health Center
- Judge Baker Children's Center
- South Cove Community Health Center
- Vinfen
- Project ASPIRE
- Dimock Community Health Center
- Boston ABCD
- Boston Public Schools
- Harvard Graduate School of Education
- Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Boston
- The Boston Ballet School

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Advocating Success for Kids (ASK)

Brief Description or Objective	To provide hospital-based multi disciplinary specialty screening services to children with educational and/or behavioral problems at the community level.
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Program Type	Community Benefits Planning Process, Community Education, Community Health Needs Assessment, Community Participation/Capacity Building Initiative, Direct Services, Health Professional/Staff Training, Healthy Communities Partnership, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention, School/Health Center Partnership, Support Group
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Target Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regions Served: Boston-Allston, Boston-Brighton, Boston-Dorchester, Boston-Fenway Kenmore, Boston-Roxbury• Health Indicator: Access to Health Care, Mental Health, Other: Education/Learning Issues, Other: Language/Literacy• Sex: All• Age Group: Child-Infant, Child-Preschool, Child-Primary School, Child-Toddler• Ethnic Group: American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, White• Language: Cambodian , Cape Verdean Creole , Chinese , English , Haitian Creole , Hmong , Korean , Laotian , Other , Portuguese , Russian , Spanish , Vietnamese
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Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children's Hospital Developmental Medicine Center• Children's Primary Care Center• Community Care Alliance and 3 of its health centers• Boston Public Schools• Various Community Health Centers
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One Step Ahead

Brief Description or Objective	The program offers individualized, culturally appropriate nutrition and physical activity education aimed at breaking down barriers to behavior change, encouraging improved diet quality and physical activity patterns, and reducing chronic disease risk among racial and ethnic minorities.
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Program Type	Community Benefits Planning Process, Community Education, Community Health Needs Assessment, Community Participation/Capacity Building Initiative, Direct Services, Health Professional/Staff Training, Health Screening, Outreach to
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	Underserved, Prevention, School/Health Center Partnership, Support Group
Target Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regions Served:Boston • Health Indicator:Other: Nutrition, Overweight and Obesity, Physical Activity • Sex:All • Age Group:Adult- Young, Child-Preschool, Child-Primary School, Child-Teen, Child-Toddler • Ethnic Group:American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, White • Language:Cambodian , Cape Verdean Creole , Chinese , English , Haitian Creole , Hmong , Korean , Laotian , Other , Portuguese , Russian , Spanish , Vietnamese
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Detailed Description	Not Specified

Program Type	Estimated Total Expenditures for FY2005	Approved Program Budget for 2006
Community Benefits Programs	<u>Direct Expenses</u> \$27,395,122 <u>Associated Expenses</u> Not Specified <u>Determination of Need Expenditures</u> \$195,000 <u>Employee Volunteerism</u> Not Specified <u>Other Leveraged Resources</u> \$1,116,324	Not Specified <small>* Excluding expenditures that cannot be projected at the time of the report.</small>
Community Service Programs	<u>Direct Expenses</u> \$1,799,945 <u>Associated Expenses</u> Not Specified <u>Determination of Need Expenditures</u> \$75,000 <u>Employee Volunteerism</u> Not Specified <u>Other Leveraged Resources</u> \$1,385,123	
Net Charity Care	\$4,902,694	
Corporate Sponsorships	\$94,295	
	Total Expenditures \$36,963,503	
Total Patient Care-Related Expenses for FY2005		\$492,333,692
Comments: None		