ESSEX COUNTY, NY

COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT 2019

COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT/SERVICE PLAN 2019-2021

Essex County Health Partners

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Foreword

Essex County Health Partners are proud to present this report:

Essex County, NY Community Health Assessment (CHA) 2019 and Community Health Improvement/Service Plan (CHISP) 2019-2021.

Significant attention was given to creating a report that is not only informative to the lead agencies engaged in the assessment, but one that is useful to a wide variety of individuals, groups, and organizations. This is because in order to improve the health of communities, the whole community must engaged.

This report continues a long history of data gathering and analysis from a variety of sources including local, regional, state and national entities. It includes primary and secondary data; as well as quantitative and qualitative data.

Several components of this assessment are improvements from previous assessments. The enhancements include:

- Integration of input from local residents and community stakeholders;
- Consideration of health by sub-population;
- Identification of disparities in health by sub-population;
- Examination of local social determinants of health; and
- Identification of community assets that can be mobilized to improve the health of our community.

Additionally, higher levels of engagement were achieved through intervention planning efforts from previous assessments. This includes:

- Convening work groups to review health outcomes and contributing factors
- Engaging partners to evaluate contributing factors to determine true root cause(s) that lead to poor health outcomes and disparate health indicators in certain communities, groups, locations;
- Working to examine the existing assets/programs/initiatives; and
- Collectively selecting the strategies that are most likely to result in measurable health gains; address the disparities identified; and be implemented successfully among partners.

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