

# Community Health Needs Assessment Services:

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) of 2012 included a requirement for all non-profit hospitals to conduct Community Health Needs Assessments (CHNA) every three years and to create plans to address the identified community health needs. The Community and Economic Development of Kentucky (CEDIK), in conjunction with the Kentucky Hospital Association, have created an affordable system to help hospitals meet this federal mandate.

## CHNA Scope of Work: Working with CEDIK

- a) Facilitator and convener of the steering committee – works with the designated hospital administrators to create the steering committee and facilitate the meetings to identify the steps necessary to satisfy IRS requirements and to address other activities the steering committee wants to complete.
- b) Demographic and economic data reports and analysis if needed – Provide required data the hospitals need related to demographic and economic conditions. In addition, KHA will be providing hospital level statistics in their toolbox.
- c) Community Input Tools – Assistance in creating surveys, holding focus groups, and facilitating public

meetings with the necessary audiences as mandated by the IRS. In addition, the CEDIK will create the final report and share the results with the hospital administration and board of directors.

- d) Final facilitation of identifying and prioritizing strategies for the hospital – CEDIK will facilitate the final meeting with the hospital as they determine how to address each of the determined needs that arises from surveys and focus groups. CEDIK will help determine how to prioritize strategies and the resources necessary to carry out strategies.
- e) Economic Impact/ Feasibility studies – These are not required by IRS but tools that the steering committee might be interested in. These studies will likely be funded by the hospital themselves.

**Timeline of Work:** CEDIK will work with each hospital to establish a clear timeline at the start of the assessment.

## Investment:

Package	Critical Access Hospitals or Hospitals with less than 25 beds	Hospitals with more than 25 beds and less than 75 beds	Hospitals with more than 75 beds
Hospital would have CEDIK facilitate and convene a steering committee, assist in the creation of surveys and focus groups, facilitate public meetings as mandated by the IRS, as well as create a final report and share with hospital administration and board of directors.  CEDIK would produce any required demographic and economic data reports and analysis. (A through D above)	\$6,000	\$8,250	Contact CEDIK for more information
Economic impact/feasibility studies (E above)	Contact CEDIK for more information		

**About CEDIK:** The Community and Economic Development Initiative of Kentucky, part of the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, works to catalyze positive change to build engaged communities and vibrant economies. CEDIK provides customized outreach services and research to community stakeholders across the Commonwealth.

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