

Community Health Needs Assessment Prioritization and Recommendations

Aging community

- Munising Memorial offers a swing bed program to patients over the age of 65 needing to recover/ rehabilitate after an acute hospital stay. (MMH went from having 2 Swing Bed Licenses in late October 2020 to now having 5 Swing Bed Licenses)
- Bay Care hired a RN Case Manager to help individuals with chronic illness navigate through healthcare systems and manage their disease.
- MMH plans to implement physical activities and programming in the current physical therapy activity room/gym.

Drugs, alcohol or substance abuse

- Munising Memorial will be partnering with Great Lakes Recovery to provide services at the hospital for those individuals seeking substance abuse treatment. (Completed Summer 2021)
- MMH intends to implement educational programming regarding substance abuse in conjunction with Great Lakes Recovery whether that be virtual, in-person or both.

Mental health

- Work with Pathways Mental Health services to come up with solutions regarding mental health treatment needs in Alger County. (Ongoing)
- UPHP will be partnering with MMH to embed mental health services with family practice medicine. (2021-22)

High cost of health prescriptions

- Munising Memorial participates in federal 340B reducing costs of prescriptions for our patients.
- Work with the local pharmacy to provide educational materials that make customers aware of options available to reduce the cost of their prescriptions.

Lack of insurance/ Financial reasons

- Provide the community with educational programs on how to find low cost insurance and how to sign up for insurance. These programs can be virtual, in-person or a combination.

Health services too far away/ transportation problems

- Continue monthly clinic in Grand Marais.
- Look for opportunities for additional satellite clinics.
- Continue purchasing bus tickets from local transportation service, ALTRAN.
- Collaborate with ALTRAN transporting area residents to MMH programming.

Dental

- Research options and affordability of having a partial dental service at the hospital