

Jackson Park Hospital Foundation

CHNA Implementation Strategy

Fiscal Years 2021-2022

Update as of August 1, 2021

Goal 1:

Reduce inequities in Access to Health Care. This is a complex and multifaceted concept that includes dimensions of proximity; affordability; availability; convenience; accommodation, reliability, quality, acceptability, openness, cultural responsiveness, appropriateness and approachability.

Goal 2:

Increase access to primary care physicians in the communities served by Jackson Park Hospital. Between 60.3% and 94.9% of adults report having a primary care provider. Survey data may be less reliable in community areas with smaller populations (Burnside, Pullman, Washington Park, Avalon Park, and Riverdale).

Strategy for goal 1 and 2:

The hospital has completed an application with the State of Illinois Transformation Fund for funding to remodel the old Access/Residency clinic to be converted into an FQHC facility. The Hospital will receive the results of this application in mid-November 2021. Having an FQHC facility on-site will increase the number of patients with primary care and access to Maternal and Child health care in our primary service area. In addition to the FQHC, the hospital's family practice residency program will expand its services into the FQHC and the hospital has recruited an Obstetrician who will join its medical staff.

Plan for Measuring and Tracking Impact Goal 1 And 2:

If the hospital is successful in obtaining funding from the State of Illinois Transformation Fund, a multi-year implementation plan and budget that is part of the transformation application will be activated after receipt of the funds.

Goal 3:

To reduce Behavioral Health - Utilization of emergency care mental health-related ED visit rates for adults in the hospitals primary care service area. The Cook County communities range from 21 per 10,000 to 661 per 10,000 mental health related emergency room visits illustrating that the need for quality community-based and preventative behavioral health treatment is staggeringly high in some communities. People living in the communities in Jackson Park Hospital's service area on the south side of Chicago experience the highest rates of emergency department visits for mental health.

Strategy for goal 3:

The hospital has completed an application with the State of Illinois Transformation Funds for funding to hire a full time Psychiatrist and support staff to serve the outpatient needs of our primary service area. The Hospital will receive the results of this application in mid-November 2021. Having an FQHC facility on-site and a full time psychiatrist will increase the number of patients with primary care and access to Maternal and Child health care as well as behavioral health in our primary service area.

Plan for Measuring and Tracking Impact Goal 3:

If the hospital is successful in obtaining funding from the State of Illinois Transformation Funds, a multi-year implementation plan and budget which is part of the transformation application will be activated after receipt of the funds.

Goal 4:

Increase access to Suboxone treatment in the community. Substance use disorders and opioid overdose deaths are increasing across Cook County and particularly on the south and west sides of Chicago. Chicago communities and the nation saw a dramatic uptick in 2020 amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. In Chicago, opioid-related overdose deaths increased by over 50% between 2019 and 2020. There are striking racial inequities in opioid overdoses statewide; Black Illinoisans are 5.5 times more likely to visit the emergency department for opioid overdose than White Non-Hispanic Illinoisans.

Strategy for Goal 4:

Implement a program to provide Suboxone treatment in both inpatient and outpatient settings. In April 2020, the hospital began to provide Suboxone treatment on an inpatient basis. Outpatient Suboxone treatment has been limited again because of the effects COVID 19 has had on the City of Chicago. Both the inpatient and outpatient program will be re-booted with our physicians and marketing department in the month of October 2021.

Plan for Measuring and Tracking Impact Goal 4:

Because the hospital plays a small part in treating the growing substance abuse problem regionally and nationally, its effect on treating patients with this disorder will not change the Chicago or community statistics that it serves. However, we know by talking with our physicians, that the patients that have successfully completed our program are less violent and leave criminal activities behind them. This is a clear community benefit. We are projecting that our physicians will treat 400 Suboxone patients a year.

Goal 5:

Reduce the Diabetes mortality rates in Jackson Park Hospital's service area from 12.3 per 100,000 population to the Chicago average.

Strategy for Goal 5:

Reboot the current outpatient diabetes clinic through new marketing and education efforts by year end.

Plan for Measuring and Tracking Impact Goal 5:

The outpatient diabetes clinic will be re-started November 2, 2021 pending any guidance not to by the city or state concerning the spread of COVID. Based on our historical volumes, we project that we will see 5 patients per week in the diabetes clinic.

Goal 6:

Reduce the Cancer mortality rates in the Jackson Park Hospital's service area from 152.3 per 100,000 population to the Chicago average.

Strategy for Goal 6.

The hospital physician recruiter has two separate oncologists that have indicated they would like to join the medical staff of the hospital and care for patients in our service area. These oncologists should complete the application and screening process by year end.

Plan for Measuring and Tracking Impact Goal 6:

The hospital will re-start its newly remodeled centralized outpatient infusion center October 4, 2021. The hospital is projecting to see 7 patients per week in the new infusion center.

Goal 7:

Improve Access to Care and Maternal and Child Health care is broadly defined as the "the timely use of personal health services to achieve the best health outcomes" (Institute of Medicine, 1993). Healthy People 2020 describes the three steps required for an individual to access health care services: Gaining entry into the health care system; Accessing a location where needed health care services are provided; and Finding a health care provider whom the patient trusts and can communicate with (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2019b).

Strategy for Goal 7:

The hospital has recruited an Obstetrician that will begin to practice in our medical office building beginning October, 2021. She is also assisting the hospital in recruiting additional Obstetricians to our medical staff.

Plan for Measuring and Tracking Impact Goal 7:

Because the Obstetrician is in private practice the hospital can only track appointments made on her behalf thru the hospital staff. The hospital is projecting that the Obstetrician will see between five to ten patients per week.