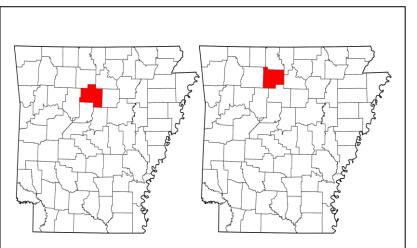
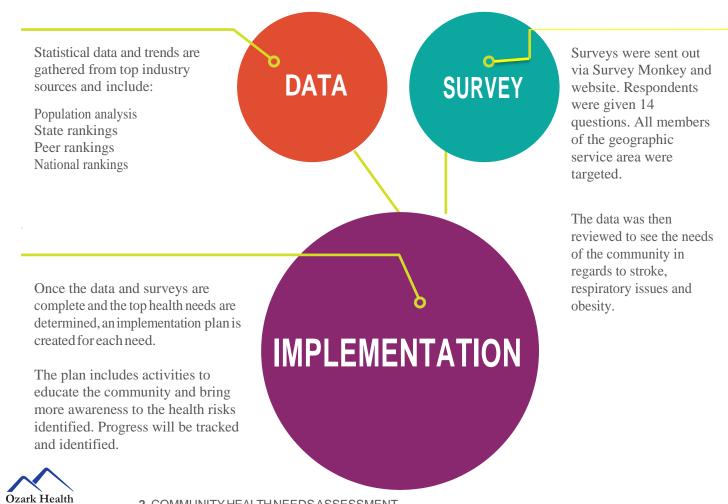


# 2020 Community Health Needs Assessment



Van Buren & Searcy Counties

Ozark Health, Inc. providers have come together to support the community in ways that go above and beyond providing care within their walls. To help determine the most critical health needs facing the area, these providers have performed a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA)that brings together countylevel data and viewpoints throughout Van Buren and Searcy Counties. They then developed a plan for how it can help address the top health needs (see below).



### Process

## Data

### DEMOGRAPHICS

2020 Population % Increase/Decline % Persons in poverty % White, non-Hispanic % Hispanic Median Household Income Median Home Value % Unemployment Rate (Jun 20) % Population >65 % Households with a computer

Arkansas	Van Buren County	Searcy County
29,324	16,545	7,881
4.0%	-4.3%	-3.8%
9.4%	16.4%	24.3%
90.9%	96.2%	92.8%
5.6%	3.1%	2.7%
\$45,726	\$36,897	\$36,390
\$123,300	\$101,600	\$98,000
10.20%	11.6%	10.9%
17%	26%	25.0%
84.1%	78.3%	75.1%

Census.gov

#### Current Areas of focus:

1	Stroke
2	General Respiratory Diseases
3	Obesity and Diabetes



### **DATA** ZIP CODE, TOWN, POPULATION

Van Buren County	Searcy County
72013 Bee Branch 2197	72639 Harriet 683
72031 Clinton 7683	72645 Leslie 1867
72039 Damascus 2131	72650 Marshall 4362
72088 Fairfield Bay 2391	72669 Pindall 107
72153 Shirley 257	72675 Saint Joe 1399
72629 Dennard 629	72686 Witt Springs 182

#### Total :8600

COPD is a chronic lung disease that causes

difficulty breathing. The average rate in Arkansas.

is 11.6% which is slightly higher than the

national average of 11.2%

If patients are in the emergency room within the first 3 hours from onset of symptoms, the clot busting drug may be used.

Today, over 360,000 people in Arkansas have diabetes-that is 14.8% of the population.

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Top 10 Causes of Death in ARKANSAS

01 HEARTDISEASE 02 CANCER 03 RESPIRATORY 04 stroke 05 ACCIDENTS 06 ALZHEIMER'S 07 diabetes 08 NEPHROSIS 09 FLU/PNEUMONIA 10 SUICIDE

## Survey

The Community Health Needs Assessment Survey was put together for quality data in support of the quantitative data collected from 2019 to 2020. The survey was made available via public website and emails.

### 2020 Significant Health Needs According To Our Communities

Top 3 Health Concerns Stroke, General Respiratory, &

Obesity

## A total of 506 individuals responded to the survey. A few written testimonials included:

"I wanted to take a minute to recognize the great care that Ozark Health gave to my mom."

"It was nice to come to the hospital and have assistance with my dietary needs. I did not know I could get that here."

#### "We have a great activities department that keeps the residents happy and active."

"While suicide is still a major issue, I believe the issues should be expanded to include drug use and poverty issues as they tend to all go together in our area." "To the doctors and nursing staff at Ozark Health, You saved my life and I am extremely grateful."

#### "My husband wouldn't be where he is today without your outstanding therapies."

"Acknowledging that drugs aren't always the answer to mental health and depression."

"The DR was really good with my 2 year-old daughter. He got right to her and was very to the point. Thank you for being an awesome doctor."

"Financial barriers continue to prevent many from accessing healthcare when needed. The financial services department was able to help me."

#### "Your thoughtfulness is something I will never forget."



## **Summary of Health Needs**

Section 501(r)(3)(A) requires a hospital organization to conduct a community health needs assessment (CHNA) every three years and to adopt an implementation strategy to meet the community health needs identified through the CHNA. Section 501(r)(3)(B) provides that the CHNA must:

- Take into account input from persons who represent the broad interests of the community served by the hospital facility, including those with special knowledge of or expertise in public health, and
- Be made widely available to the public.

The survey was made available via public websites and emails. A total of 506 patrons participated in the survey. Over the next three years, Ozark Health, Inc. will focus on the following in the community.



Ozark Health, Inc. will be present at health fairs, school events, business events and other activities in the community educating the people of Van Buren and Searcy Counties. As a partner with UAMS AR Saves, additional information will be made available through them. Ozark Health, Inc. has a Respiratory Therapist and Registered Dietitian on staff that will help with the community needs.



### Goals

Goal 1: Increase knowledge of Stroke & Cardiovascular Disease awareness

**Objective 1:** Educate the community and local providers about Ozark Health, Inc. stroke and cardiovascular disease services available beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Objective 2:** Partner with UAMS AR Saves to provide community education in the form of handouts and other literature beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Objective 3:** Encourage whole family participation in events so that the community knows what to do in case of a stroke. Reiterate the F.A.S.T. program beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Goal 2:** Decrease the number of undiagnosed Van Buren and Searcy County residents who have General Respiratory Diseases such as Asthma and COPD, and educate them on treatment.

**Objective 1:** Educate the community and local providers of services and programs offered by Ozark Health, Inc. regarding the importance of respiratory health and the programs available beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Objective 2:** Ozark Health, Inc. will provide community education and PFT testing at events in the community beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Objective 3:** Ozark Health, Inc. will educate community members with general respiratory disease and home management skills beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

Goal 3: Increase community awareness of obesity and diabetes in the Van Buren and Searcy County area.

**Objective 1:** Educate the community regarding the importance of health and wellness beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Objective 2:** Encourage whole family obesity prevention activities by sponsoring community events with a focus on physical activity, providing financial and/or staff support for a minimum of 6 events beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.

**Objective 3:** Utilize social media, such as Facebook, Twitter, and web pages, to educate youth and adults on the dangers of obesity, diabetes and unhealthy lifestyle choices beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2023.





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