

About Eau Claire Healthy Communities

Vision: Everyone Living Better, Longer

Mission: Promote the health and well-being of individuals, families and communities of Eau Claire County through collaborative focused action.

Since 1996, Eau Claire Healthy Communities has provided a “table” where stakeholders collaborate to understand current and future health needs of Eau Claire County through a process of assessing, prioritizing and addressing health needs. Over 200 diverse partners from across the county participate in Eau Claire Healthy Communities, a community-based coalition developed to create and maintain healthy communities. Together they work to better align efforts among community partners and create a strategic framework for collaborative local health improvement activities. Over the past 20 years, Eau Claire Healthy Communities’ has been vital to bringing several successful programs to our county. For a list of accomplishments since the *2013 Community Health Improvement Plan*, see page 26 of this document.



Eau Claire Healthy Communities is committed to using health data and best practice to inform our decision-making process. The coalition provides an online data website for the community that provides up-to-date health data at the county, state and national level. Healthy Communities’ website also provides information about what is happening to improve the health of the community through Eau Claire Healthy Communities Action Teams and other health information resources.

Visit us online at www.ehealthycommunities.org to find:

- Easy access to the most up-to-date local, state and national health data
- Meeting minutes for Eau Claire Healthy Communities Council and Action Teams
- The *2015 Community Health Assessment* and *2015-2018 Community Health Improvement Plan*
- Examples of initiatives that are a model or promising practice to improve health outcomes



Structure of Eau Claire Healthy Communities

Eau Claire Healthy Communities consists of a broad-based council and action teams that are all working to promote the health and well-being of individuals, families and communities of Eau Claire County.



Healthy Communities Council

Broad collaborative providing oversight/accountability, structure, and connections for collaborative health improvement

Healthy Communities Steering Committee

Core team of Council leadership focused on agenda planning, Council organizations/structure/membership, and Council support/leadership.



Chronic Disease Prevention Action Team

works to prevent the onset of chronic disease by making the easy choice the healthy choice where people live, work and play.



Mental Health Action Team

works to improve access to Mental Health Services as well as focuses on Children and Youth Mental Health.



Healthy Relationship Promotion Action Team

works to promote healthy relationships to the youth of the community in order to create safer and healthier relationships for the future.



Healthy Eau Claire Legislative Task Force

works with the Eau Claire City-County Board of Health to strengthen relationships with legislators to improve community health.



Oral Health Promotion Action Team

works to increase community awareness about the importance of oral health care throughout an individual's life.



Assessment/Planning Action Team

observes health data in order to identify, prioritize, and decide how best to assess health problems in the community.



High Risk Drinking Prevention Action Team

works to create a positive change around the culture of drinking in our community.

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