



Teller County Public Health & Environment

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Teller County Public Health and Environment Promotes 2022 Community Health Assessment

Teller County Public Health & Environment (TCPHE) is thrilled to announce the promotion of their 2022 Community Health Assessment (CHA). In Colorado, all local public health agencies (LPHA) are required to conduct a Community Health Assessment every five years that is used to create a five-year Public Health Improvement Plan (PHIP). The plans are reviewed and approved by our local board of health (BOH). The Community Health Assessment examines the current health status and needs in our community.

In 2017, TCPHE completed a community health assessment and plan that prioritized mental health (including suicide), substance use and abuse, injuries and violence, and access to care. While some progress has been made in these areas, we have some areas that are still in dire need of improvement. We ask for community engagement and collaboration with our community partners regarding the current health and environmental status of Teller County and what areas our community should prioritize in 2023-2027.

We encourage all community members to take some time to fill out our anonymous community-wide survey to help us identify priority health needs and to understand how to make Teller County a healthier place to thrive. To access the survey type this into your browser: bit.ly/3I2SVcR or scan the QR code at the bottom of this article. If you do not have internet access, please feel free to drop by Teller County Public Health & Environment to fill out a paper version.

In addition to the community-wide survey, TCPHE, along with the Colorado School of Public Health (CSPH) and OMNI Institute, will be collecting data through various resources to prioritize health needs and environmental issues in our community. This process will engage our community key leaders, community health and human service sources. Our community will have multiple ways to participate in this process.

COVID-19 has been prioritized as a public health concern for a majority of the last two years. The pandemic has continued to put a strain on an already weakened healthcare system. We can do our part and help alleviate that strain by implementing preventative health measures and interventions. TCPHE, will continue to build on having a reputable presence in our community. We will not neglect to prioritize other public health concerns in Teller County. We value and welcome people of all ages, genders, races, religions, cultures and socioeconomic status. Our mission is to prevent disease and to protect and promote the health and environment of Teller County residents by assuring quality health programs and services. Join TCPHE in protecting your health and embracing your future. Become a part of treating the root of health and wellness and join TCPHE with our mission to promote *Healthy Mountain Living!*

Let's move Upstream together!

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**Complete
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