

Good morning,

Beginning in late 2014, the health entities in our community, Rock Island County Health Department, Scott County Health Department, Community Health Care, Inc., Genesis Health System, Unity Point Health – Trinity, and the Quad City Health Initiative, began undertaking the process of planning the next health needs assessment of our community.

As part of this effort, the Rock Island County and Scott County Health Departments will be hosting a set of community meetings to identify and prioritize health needs in Rock Island and Scott Counties on the following dates:

Wednesday, May 20 – 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

*Scott County Administrative Center, 1st Floor Boardroom,
600 West 4th Street, Davenport, IA 52801*

Thursday, May 21 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

*Rock Island County Health Department, Education Room,
2112 25th Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201*

The meetings are the first step in completing the Community Health Needs Assessment and Health Improvement Plan (CHNA-HIP) for our Quad Cities community. To assure that the information we gather accurately reflects the community's needs, we are asking you or a representative from your agency to participate as a member of the Stakeholder Committee and *attend one of the two meetings mentioned above*. The responsibility of the Stakeholder Committee is to provide insight and guidance. It is our intent to streamline the process and envision there will be a limited number of additional meetings for the stakeholder committee between now and July 2015.

Along with the Rock Island and Scott County Health Departments, Community Health Care, Inc., Genesis Health System, Unity Point Health – Trinity, and the Quad City Health Initiative will facilitate the CHNA-HIP at regular intervals to help set the course in meeting our community's public health needs. The priorities identified during this process can play a significant role in the awarding of funds by grantors for programs in our community. In addition, it is our hope that the findings will serve as a source of information that might be incorporated in other processes.

We look forward to working with you as we undertake this process. **Please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ba9a92ca3f85-2015/> to sign up online for which meeting date you plan to attend by April 30.** If you are unable to attend either meeting, please select someone to attend in your place and either forward this request to them, or send their name and email address to tiffany.tjepkes@scottcountyiowa.com. Thank you for your help with this endeavor.

Regards,

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