

Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention

DRAFT DEFINITIONS AS OF APRIL 2025

Category A: Provide timely, relevant, and accurate information to partners and the public on population health trends related to chronic disease and injury prevention.

1. Develop and maintain internal information systems and access external information systems for prevention and population health—including systems for chronic disease, and injury.
2. Collaborate with community to conduct surveillance of the population with respect to chronic disease and injury prevention and use information to educate partners and the community.
3. Establish metrics and evaluate prevention and population health improvement activities.
4. Collect, analyze, and share data related to chronic disease and injury prevention.
5. Validate information, data, analysis, and findings
6. Provide education and technical assistance to organizations involved in improving health and preventing harm.

Category B: Engage statewide and local chronic disease and injury prevention community partners and identify capacities. Develop, implement, and secure funding for a chronic disease and injury prevention plan.

1. Collaborate with partners, communities, and individuals to address chronic disease and injury prevention through the following actions:
 - a. Building new and strengthening existing relationships;
 - b. Assessing need and considering factors and conditions that influence these issues;
 - c. Creating plans and implementing population-based strategies;
 - d. Evaluating implementation of plans and adjusting as needed;
 - e. Pursuing joint funding or supporting partners in identification and pursuit of funding; and
 - f. Sustaining work through policy and systems change, capacity building, and integration into existing programs.

Category C: Coordinate, integrate and secure funding for chronic disease and injury prevention. Strengthen alignment and connections across funded and statutorily required programs and initiatives.

1. Work together to plan and connect efforts to prevent chronic diseases and injuries.
2. Identify ways to better align and coordinate programs that are already funded or required by law so they support each other and have greater impact.
3. Support partners in understanding funding limitations, flexibilities, and explore creative and innovative approaches and opportunities.
4. Educate decision-makers about resources needed for chronic disease and injury prevention.
5. Assure and maintain baseline funding for chronic disease and injury prevention programs and initiatives.
6. Seek out, apply, and manage funding opportunities

Category D: Work actively with statewide and community partners to implement population-based strategies to increase protective factors and reduce modifiable risk factors for chronic disease and injury.

1. Collaborate to implement population-based strategies to increase healthy eating, active living, mental wellbeing and community connectedness.
2. Collaborate to implement population-based strategies to reduce statewide and community rates of alcohol, commercial tobacco, and other drug use.
3. Collaborate to implement population-based strategies for identifying, managing, and living well with chronic disease such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, asthma, and others.
4. Collaborate to implement population-based strategies to understand, respond to, and prevent injury and violence.
5. Develop, implement, and maintain systems and infrastructure for policy, system, and environmental change.
6. Develop and maintain written training materials, provide training to appropriate staff.
7. Utilize evidence-based, promising, and theory-based or research-informed practices aligned with national, state, and local guidelines.
8. Establish a system for tracking efforts toward agreed upon responsibilities for governmental public health, and partners, track these efforts.
9. Identify and promote mechanisms for equitable access to screening, referrals, and treatment of chronic diseases and injuries as well as prevention, equity, and community-driven approaches to address social determinants of health.