

HEALTH

THE SITUATION

A SNAPSHOT

Can you change it?

In our community, individuals and families are struggling and healthcare may be out of their reach, as well as a healthier lifestyle. Without having some type of healthcare coverage and education, how will they ever get ahead?

Current numbers are hard to predict, since the new healthcare system has not been in effect for very long. Early data

shows that there are still individuals without coverage, highest in the 18-64 year range.

Risky behaviors also attribute to not only the cost of healthcare, but the overall deteriorated health of individuals and their families. Substance abuse plays role in this

Overall rankings in health factors represent what influences the health of a county. Currently Mackinac beats out Luce (55) and Chippewa (70) with a ranking of 46. These numbers are an estimate of the future health of counties as compared to other counties within

a state. The ranks are based on four types of measures: health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic, and physical environment factors.

Access to mental health providers as well as affordability, is also an issue. Statistics for the EUP show that there are 634:1 patients to providers for Chippewa County

and that is the lowest for the 3 county area as Mackinac has 1,106:1.

Access to primary

care physicians is also hard to overcome with ratios varying from 815-1622:1.

Other factors that attribute to our community's health are; smoking, obesity, food environment, physical inactivity, access to exercise and more.

So how can we increase access to healthcare and increase healthy behaviors for our community members? Think outside the box! Community Impact means going to the root of the problem.



SOME STATISTICS

Total Population

Luce	6,522
Mackinac	11,137
Chippewa	38,917

No Health Insurance

Luce 0-18	5.4%
Luce 18-64	17.9%
Luce <65	14.6%
Mack 0-18	7.6%
Mack 18-64	23.1%
Mack <65	19.5%
Chipp 0-18	6.7%
Chipp 18-64	20.3%
Chipp <65	16.5%

Medicaid+MIChild 0-18

Luce	641
Mackinac	920
Chippewa	4,403

Total Poverty

Luce	21.1%
Mackinac	16%
Chippewa	19.1%
State of MI	17.4%