



Otero County Community Health Council

Fact Sheet 2012

Mission

The mission of the OCCHC is to assess, promote, and enhance the health and well being of county residents by creating a process that encourages broad-based community involvement.

Priorities

Wellness
Substance Abuse

Successes

- Prescription Trails of Otero County
- Every 15 Minutes program
- Substance Abuse Coalition (provides prevention and treatment education)
- Coalition building among existing entities
- Support for local programs and services
- Keeping the community informed about health related news and events
- Dental care (helped increase # Medicaid Dentists in Otero County)

Funding Leveraged

The Otero County Community Health Council supports our partners through letters of support for grants and other funding. This helps make our community stronger so we are able to do more. Since 1998, the Health Council has helped bring over \$1,000,000 to Otero County.

Contact

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575-434-3011 (to leave a message)
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Value to You

- **Data and Assessment:** The Community Health Profile provided by the Health Council can be used by local entities for program and proposal development.
- **Emergent Issues:** When issues or concerns develop, the Council can help pull together Community Forums, Town Halls, Focus Groups, Panel Discussions, or other venues for the purpose of educating the policy makers and community as a whole so action can be taken.
- **Resource Development:** The Otero County Resource Directory is a one stop document listing our local agencies, organizations, and businesses providing health related services. Also, the Health Council is instrumental in putting together working groups for specific projects such as Every 15 Minutes and Prescription Trails.
- **Coordination:** With coordination and collaboration, local service providers and other partners (including local government and community residents) can work together better to address specific issues.