

Results of Focus Area Prioritization

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Community Health Improvement Planning Task Force

Lewis and Clark County

Task force members individually prioritized these focus areas using the prioritization criteria adopted at the Jan. 22 task force meeting. The following rankings were determined by adding up the individual scores. Bold type indicates the four focus areas the task force will address as it continues its work.

1. Mental illness	312 points
2. Physical inactivity*	299
3. Substance abuse	292
4. Maternal and child health	285
5. Chronic disease	282
6. Tobacco use*	280
7. Poor nutrition*	270
8. Communicable disease	258
9. Access to health care	253
10. Violence and abuse	248
11. Injury prevention	236
12. Environmental health	234

**Because physical inactivity, tobacco use, and poor nutrition are risk factors for chronic disease, the health department staff made the decision to incorporate them into the chronic disease focus area. Goals, objectives, and strategies related to chronic disease may reflect these specific areas of concern.*