

Recommendations For November 7, 2022

1. Data presented that has made an impact:

- Over 114,000 uninsured in Duval County- Health Planning Council
- Medicaid Unraveling- Health Planning Council
- Average cost of an ER visit over \$4,000- Jax Care Connect
- Some patients need to requalify for Shand's Card/City Contract health care every 6 months- UF Health
- Access to Health care Key issue Identified by the Non-Profit Hospitals Community Health Needs Assessment
- Access to Health care is a key issue impacting infant mortality- primarily the health of women before and between pregnancies

2. SWOT Key Themes

- Strengths: Jax Care Connect, Center for Independent Living, Non-Profit community, medical leaders and coordination of area hospital systems, universities and research facilities, Telehealth
- Weaknesses: health Literacy, Medicaid not being expanded, cultural competency/sensitivity training/diversity training, transportation, lack of affordable housing, lack of loyal and available staff.
- Opportunities: dental, linking uninsured to health care, transportation, health literacy
- Threats: failure to expand Medicaid, hidden communities being unserved, economic/labor/cost pressure, operational silos, health literacy, partnerships with insurers and consumers through HC Plans

3. Ideas we are exploring and moving towards

- Financial Request:
 - Provide \$550,000 annually to expand access to health information, and expand capacity to link the uninsured to appropriate care broken down as:
 - \$200,000 to Jax CareConnect to have a representative in all Emergency Rooms every day.
 - \$50,000 to 7 the Duval Safety Net Collaborative and specialty care providers to expand access to healthcare

- Policy Request:
 - Implement change by evaluating and updating the UF Health city contract to allow patients in Duval County to requalify annually instead of every 6 months.
 - Creating an Access to Healthcare Task Force like the Safety & Crime Task Force by assigning two Council Member to lead the task force.
 - Set up monthly access to healthcare meetings to link up all the health care initiatives- UF Health, BlueZones, Jax Care Connect
 - Work with City Grant Writer to seek out funding from CDC, etc.