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**Community Health Needs Assessment
Implementation Strategy Plan
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In continuation of our commitment to the health and well-being of our community members, Emory Healthcare (EHC) and Emory Rehabilitation Hospital (ERH) conducted a Community Health Needs Assessment. The report assessed the needs of the community served by ERH using quantitative data and input from individuals representing the broad interest of the community. Using this report, ERH identified three primary health needs of our community:

- Improve access to care in the community and collaborate with community partners to lessen the barriers to obtaining care
- Expand community awareness of healthy behaviors and available resources/care settings through education and community based programs
- Increase the focus on preventative care and disease management for chronic conditions in the community and hospital staff and improve the health of the community and hospital staff with a specific focus on diabetes, mental health, cardiac/cardiovascular disease, stroke, and cancer

ERH developed the strategies below to outline how we plan to address the identified health needs of the community we serve. Through these strategies, ERH and EHC strive to improve the overall health of our community, while delivering the best possible care to our patients.

Priority	Access to Care & Community Collaboration
Strategy Statement:	Improve access to care in the community and collaborate with community partners to lessen the barriers to obtaining care
Major Actions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Advocate in the community for access to Rehabilitation Services by continuing work toward expansion of Medicaid benefit for inpatient rehabilitation coverage ● Work toward expansion of ERH to allow greater accessibility in light of limited options for Rehabilitation Services ● Collaborate with Emory University on initiatives to improve the health of the community ● Expand collaboration with acute, post-acute and community based providers to expand access and appropriate transitions of care into post-acute settings and the community 	

Priority	Community Awareness & Education
Strategy Statement:	Expand community awareness of healthy behaviors and available resources/care settings through education and community based programs
Major Actions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand and enhance internal communication of existing resources and programs to educate patients, employees, and the larger community on healthy behaviors and available resources • Promote and expand the Patient & Family Resource Center located at ERH in R106 to include more information on healthy behaviors and available resources • Resume annual ERH Golf Tournament to raise funds and awareness for post-discharge equipment needs of patients for successful community re-entry • Further develop relationships with local and national agencies like National Stroke Association to share knowledge, protocols, and expertise regarding risk factors and disease management 	

Priority	Preventative Care & Disease Management
Strategy Statement:	Increase the focus on preventative care and disease management for chronic conditions in the community and hospital staff and improve the health of the community and hospital staff with a specific focus on diabetes, mental health, cardiac/cardiovascular disease, stroke, and cancer
Major Actions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand and strengthen community outreach efforts around stroke and cardiac/cardiovascular disease to promote preventative care activities and disease management • Expand community outreach efforts around cancer prevention, support, and survivorship • Expand community outreach efforts around transplant support and survivorship • Increase the focus on diabetes prevention and disease management 	