| Problem Statement  |   | Strategies  | Activities   | Outcome   |  |
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| Obesity  Majority of adults (39.5%) and youths (25.4%) are overweight or morbidly obese  | Poor nutrition due to<br>limited access, high cost of<br>fresh fruits and<br>vegetables and healthy<br>proteins and low<br>motivation to change                           | Change incentives<br>for consuming health<br>foods at hospital and<br>when eating out to<br>promote healthy<br>choices                | Balanced menus offered in cafeteria  Partner with Delta Health Alliance to reduce admissions due to obesity through programs   | Increase consumption of fruits and vegetables  Decrease overall consumption of high fructose sugar products   | Decrease the % of adults and<br>youth that are overweight or<br>obese (BMI > 25)   |
| 27.33% of adults in<br>Washington County do not<br>have access to healthy food<br>choices.   | Lack of physical exercise<br>due to lack of access to<br>pedestrian paths and<br>affordable facilities,<br>sedentary work<br>environments and low<br>motivation to change | Enhance access to<br>programs that<br>promote physical<br>activity and provide<br>support to sedentary<br>adults                      | YMCA 5210 Program Paul Lacoste Program Employee Fitness Center Multimedia communication Promote the 60 minutes a day of physical activity  | Increase the # of adults and children engaging in moderate and vigorous physical activity.  |  |
| Heart Disease and Stroke  Leading cause of death in Mississippi.  Washington County ranks 13 of 82 counties in CVD mortality in 2016 | Tobacco Use Lack of resources to assist in smoking cessation  | Enhance access to<br>smoking cessation<br>classes  Provide education at<br>health fairs<br>regarding benefits of<br>smoking cessation | Provide tobacco free hospital campuses and clinics limited exposure to second hand smoke Heart Disease Speakers Bureau Smoking Cessation Classes Community CPR/First Aid classes | Reduce the % of adult smokers  Reduce the number of persons with chronic lung problems due to exposure to secondary smoke  Increase physical activity opportunities | Decrease the number of persons with high blood pressure of cholesterol and increase the number of persons who will be free from heart attack and stroke. |
| , ,  | Poor blood pressure<br>control and non-<br>compliance<br>Lack of Health Diet<br>Lowering of Cholesterol<br>levels   | Enhance access to<br>blood pressure and<br>cholesterol<br>screenings  | Cholesterol and blood pressure screenings at health fairs  Education regarding health diet and exercise to reduce cholesterol  Employee Health Coach  Multimedia Communication   | Encourage healthier diet  |  |

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| Diabetes Mellitus  7 <sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in Mississippi  Mississippi ranked 1 <sup>st</sup> in the U.S. for overall prevalence-13.6% of population with Type 2 diabetes  | Poor nutrition  Diets high in fats and sugars  Limited access to care  Lack of knowledge  Insufficient provider outreach  Non-compliance with treatment | Education regarding food choices and limiting intake of fatty/sugar laden foods  Enhance access to programs which offer HgA1c screenings                            | Health fairs with access to Hg1Ac screenings  Partnering with United Way: prescription assistance program  Vision screenings  Diabetes Support Group  Utilization of Diabetic Educators  Multimedia communication | Decrease the number of patients with type 2 diabetes  | Reduction in the number of patients with renal failure  Reduce the number of patients with renal failure  Reduce the number of patients with visual problems resulting from diabetes |
| High Blood Pressure  32% of the Mississippi adults have high blood pressure.  37.7% of Washington County adults have high blood pressure  4% of youth ages 12-19 have high blood pressure | Lack of education of<br>symptoms – called the<br>"silent killer"<br>Youth obesity   | Health fairs and screenings  Education in area schools  Enhance access to programs that promote physical activity and provide support to sedentary adults and youth | Health fairs with blood pressure screenings  Partner with school districts to form a speakers bureau  Smoking cessation program   | Decrease the number of adults and youth with high blood pressure Increase healthy lifestyle choices | Reduce the mortality rate  |

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| Mental Health  46.6 million adults in the United States live with mental illness  Mississippi is ranked 44 out of 50 states for providing access to mental health services  10.6% of adolescents age 12- 17 in Mississippi have had a major depressive episode | Lack of access to health care professionals  Lack of education regarding the need for professional help  Lack of youth health care professional | Education to parents, students and educators regarding mental health issues | Recruited a psychiatrist in 2019.  Support non-profit counseling centers  Provide benefits to employees seeking professional help.  Community education concerning services in the region  Telemedicine services | Increase health care professionals in the county Increase awareness of mental health signs and symptoms | Decrease suicide rate |