“Beyond Health” is a collaboration between Brown County Public Health, City of De Pere Public Health, Aurora Health Care, Bellin Health, St. Mary’s and St. Vincent Hospitals (HSHS), and Brown County United Way. This partnership was formed to improve the health of Brown County residents by conducting periodic community health needs assessments and leading community-wide action planning teams. In November 2014, the CHIP Steering Committee brought together community stakeholders to review and discuss community health data based on the health focus areas cited in Healthiest Wisconsin 2020. The community stakeholders provided their knowledge and expertise in various Healthiest Wisconsin 2020 focus areas and assessed the community's needs and opportunities. After these stakeholders were presented with the community health assessment data, they were given the opportunity to select health priority needs for Brown County.

The Community Health Improvement Plan is a partnership among individuals, families, and organizations dedicated to improving the health of Brown County. Four planning groups of diverse community members will meet regularly to develop a health plan with goals and objectives for each of the four priority health needs. The CHIP Steering Committee will meet to review the progress of the implementation teams. The health improvement plan will be published early in 2015. To obtain a copy, please contact the Brown County or De Pere Health Departments.

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