Introducing MATCH— a population-based health survey built for WV

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Introductions

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The Problem

- WV in a sustained epidemic of fatal and non-fatal drug addiction and abuse for +20 years

- WV leads the U.S. in several mental health measures

- WV #1 in U.S. at 28.8% for *"have you ever been told you had depression"*

Source: BRFSS, 2019

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The Problem (continued)

- National data sources (BRFSS, NHIS and NSDUH) do not drill down locally to represent WV

- DHHR and state partners need for robust population-level estimates

- Currently rely on Medicaid claims data

  - Lack adequate behavioral and mental health data and social foundations of health needed for strategic decision making

Project Sponsorship

- DHHR-driven, facilitated by WVU, Office of Health Affairs

- Sponsors
    - Bureau for Medical Services, Commissioner Cynthia Beane
    - Bureau for Behavioral Health, Commissioner Christina Mullins
    - Bureau for Children and Families, Commissioner Linda Watts
    - Bureau for Public Health, designated representatives

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Mountain state Assessment of Trends in Community Health

(not final)

Survey Purpose

The Mountain state Assessment of Trends in Community Health (MATCH) is designed to understand the health and well-being challenges facing West Virginians and identify the resources needed for our communities to improve the health of our people.

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Survey Requirements

- Collect data on substance use, addiction, mental and behavioral health, access to care and chronic diseases

- Data generalizable at the county level for all 55 counties (first known attempt in WV!)

- Ability to identify a subset of adults currently enrolled in Medicaid, or potentially Medicaid eligible

- Excludes children, institutionalized adults (nursing homes, prisons, etc.)

Core Survey Domains

- Substance Use
- Health Access and Engagement
- Mental Health
- Social Foundations of Health
- Child Welfare

Benefits to the State

- Ability to better allocate resources to areas of the state that need it most

- Ability for data-driven decision making at state and local levels via a robust data dissemination plan

- Ability to address data gaps vital to program/policy decisions

- Capacity to see outcomes over time

Survey Year 1 Timeline

Survey Questions

Planning
04/20 – 01/21

Community Outreach
02/21 – 4/21

Data Collection
05/21 – 10/21

Data Analysis / Dissemination
11/21 – 12/22

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Questions?

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