



About Us...

The Okmulgee County Wellness Coalition is a thriving community partnership with active committees that seek to improve the health and quality of life for all the residents of Okmulgee County. All members of the coalition are very busy individuals, but are highly committed to the purpose of the organization and its goals. The Okmulgee County Wellness Coalition is an action-oriented and outcomes driven partnership, and seeks to put system-wide changes in place that will have long-lasting impact on the health and quality of life for all who live, work and play in Okmulgee County.

The County Health Ranking report for 2013 ranked Okmulgee County as 61 out of 77 for Health Outcomes, and 69 out of 77 for Health Factors. These scores show

a decline in rank among Oklahoma Counties since the 2012 report, which ranked Okmulgee County 55 in Health Outcomes and 65 in Health Factors. It is clear that efforts to improve health must continue. Okmulgee is the capital of the Muscogee Creek Nation, two higher education facilities, multiple health services, as well as community and prevention programs. Through collaboration, we expect to make use of the assets located here.

Leadership of the coalition seeks to build visibility of the coalition's efforts within the county, and to promote policies and practices that

can sustain health improvement efforts. By reaching out to organizations in the county and assisting them with passage and enforcement of such policies and practices, we believe the current rankings can be improved. The coalition also seeks to continuously improve its own infrastructure so that it can be more effective.

Walk To School Day



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Partnership Priorities

- ◇ Access to Health Care
- ◇ Child and Family Abuse/ Violence Prevention
- ◇ Healthy Lifestyles
- ◇ Mental Health
- ◇ Tobacco Use Prevention/ Cessation
- ◇ Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention

Mission Statement

The mission of the Okmulgee County Wellness Coalition is to promote and advocate for the wellness of all citizens of Okmulgee County through partnerships and community involvement.

VISION

Diverse groups working together can better identify and influence the determinants of health, and what we as a society do collectively to assure the conditions for people to be healthy.



Students in Okmulgee learn to Eat Better, Move More, and Be Tobacco Free!

Activities

- ◇ Community Garden
- ◇ “Plant a Six Pack ” Project
- ◇ Back Pack Program
- ◇ Community Baby Shower
- ◇ Farmers Market
- ◇ Circle of Friends Trail System
- ◇ Super Saturday Fun Run/Walk
- ◇ Children’s Mental Health Awareness Day
- ◇ Meth Prevention Event
- ◇ Family Drug Court
- ◇ Mental Health Court

Outcomes/Impacts

- ◇ Certified Healthy Community– City of Okmulgee
- ◇ 24/7 Tobacco Free School Policies in all 7 of 9 school districts
- ◇ Tobacco Free Worksite Policies in multiple Daycare centers
- ◇ Community Baby Showers
- ◇ Local media to promote health, wellness, prenatal care
- ◇ Certified Healthy Schools
- ◇ Community Garden and Children’s plant a six pack educational program.

Partnerships

Okmulgee County Health Department	Covington Aircraft
Anne Moroney Youth Services and Shelter	Henryetta Police Department
Okmulgee Memorial Hospital	Morris Police Department
Okmulgee Chamber of Commerce	Beggs Police Department
Okmulgee Fire Department	Oklahoma Juvenile Authority
Okmulgee Police Department	Okmulgee Public School
Muscogee Creek Nation	Beggs Public School
George Nigh Rehab Center	First Presbyterian Church
Okmulgee County Drug Court	YMCA
Family and Children’s Court	Salvation Army
CREOKS mental health Center	Systems of Care
City of Okmulgee	Methodist Church– Beggs
Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology	Oklahoma Turning Point
OSU Extension	County Judges
	Okmulgee County Emergency Medical Service
	Department of Human Services

FUNDING

- ◇ Communities of Excellence Physical Activity and Nutrition– TSET
- ◇ Communities of Excellence Tobacco Control –TSET
- ◇ Trail Development Grant- Dept of Tourism
- ◇ Greenhouse Grant– Private Foundation
- ◇ Infant Mortality Grant– OSDH
- ◇ Backpack Program Funding– Creek Nation
- ◇ SNAP for Farmers Market– Dept. of Agriculture

“There is incredible value in being of service to others.”

Elizabeth Berg - Author