Nassau County Health Improvement Coalition (NCHIC)

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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH 2020 NASSAU COUNTY HEALTH SUMMIT
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Purpose

- **Mission:** The Nassau County Health Improvement Coalition’s mission is to improve the health status of the Nassau County community by addressing and monitoring priority health and wellness through a collaborative, community-driven process.

- **Our Vision:** The Nassau County Health Improvement Coalition will improve the level of health in Nassau County through awareness, education, partnership, prevention, service delivery, and policy development so that individuals achieve their potential to live healthy, active lives.
History of NCHIC

- Began as Nassau County Health Improvement Advisory Council
- July 1997, FDOH Bureau of Chronic Disease awarded Community Intervention Program Grant to Nassau County Health Department to address preventing chronic disease.
- In 1999, additional funding was awarded to prioritize health initiatives and to form a Health Improvement Advisory Council (NC-HIAC)
- Conducted Community Needs Assessments in 2001 and 2005 with Health Planning Council
- Grant support and various wellness projects
- In 2007, changed from Advisory Board to Health Department to Community Health Improvement Coalition
NCHIC Goals

- Strategic Planning and Focus on Obesity Prevention and development of Adult and Pediatric Work Groups – including stress management, physical activity, nutrition, program development, and recruitment
- Nutrition and Physical Activity projects, school-based projects, print media health education columns, employee wellness
- Ongoing partnership networking & collaboration
- Plan and implement health promotion programs for the community and uses data obtained from Community Needs Assessment
NC HIC Structure

- Typically meet every other month on the 4th Monday from 1:00-2:00pm
  - Nassau County Family Education Center, Yulee Full Service School, 86207 Felmor Rd, Yulee FL 32097
- Co-Chairs/facilitators:
  - Kyle Malucci, Parks and Recreation Director for Town of Hilliard
  - Lauren Jones, Director Food & Nutrition for Nassau County School Board
- Secretary:
  - Tiffanie Newman-Kennedy, LD/N, CLC, Public Health Nutritionist Supervisor for Nassau Health Department
- Some current participating members include:
  - Nassau County Health Department, Baptist Medical Center-Nassau, UF IFAS/Extension Service, Nassau County School Board, Miller Health Group, Bamabas, Family Support Services, Florida Blue, First Coast YMCA, Hillard Park & Rec, Wolfson’s Children’s Hospital, Women’s Center of Jax, Micah’s Place, Brooks Rehab, Much bigger world, Northeast FL AHEC…… And more!
What's happening now?

- Agencies and members submit verbal or written updates to be included and disseminated to email group
  - Over 100 people currently receiving minutes/agency updates or flyers
- Host presentations based on need or upcoming events
- January 2020 is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month
  - Jenna Holtz from Delores Barr Weaver Policy center speaking today to educate the group on Human Trafficking

Questions or if interested in joining the email group to get more information about meetings - email me at lauren.jones@nassau.k12.fl.us