

COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

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CONSUMER EXPERIENCE



Keene Expo in Johnson County

Community Health Improvement (CHI) served the Johnson County community in February through the 18th annual Keene Community Expo, which took place at Southwestern Adventist University (SWAU) and included vendors from the areas of health, wellness, business, and lifestyle. This year more than 200 people attended the Expo.

As in previous years, the Texas Health Wellness for Life team were on site to conduct grant-funded mammograms and well woman exams for patients who met criteria. This year, thanks to a grant from the Communities Foundation of Texas (CFT), COVID vaccines were also made available. The family friendly Expo was the ideal setting for Texas Health to provide health and wellness services including COVID vaccine education, while connecting with the community.

Dr. Terri Gibson, the Center for Wellness Integration Director at SWAU and Southern Region Leadership Council member, was an instrumental partner in the execution of the Texas Health wellness activities. This year, multiple CHI departments were positioned to serve Johnson County residents.

Through our collaborative efforts, we continue to bring needed resources to our community.

--Dr. Terri Gibson

CHANNELS Hospitals

Innovating the CFT COVID Train-the-Trainer Approach to Community Education

CHI departments implementing the CFT grant in the Southern Region are collaborating with Tarleton State University (TSU) to embed the Texas Health COVID Train the Trainer module in their public health curriculum.

Through the partnership:

- **Seven students** are dedicating **40 hours** during the winter semester to fulfill COVID course requirements and gain practical community-based experience.

Added benefits include novel approaches by TSU students for engaging audiences via Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

CAPABILITIES

Community Partnerships

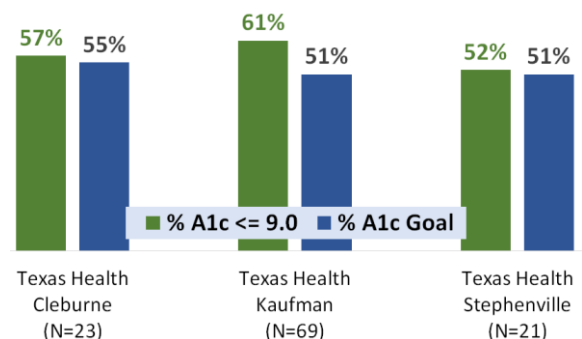
Faith Community Nursing (FCN)

The FCN team has been working with local churches and organizations to promote COVID education and vaccination across our service area and in Southern Region. Because of our partnerships we have:

- **Held four** education events in Johnson, Kaufman, and Erath Counties
- **Distributed 270** COVID test kits
- **Partnered** with First Baptist Church of Kaufman during their monthly food distribution event where:
 - **160** people were educated about COVID
 - **12** people were scheduled for vaccine clinic

Healthy Education Lifestyles Program (HELP)

2021 HELP Patient A1c Metrics



– Texas Health – COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS

After the 2019-2020 grant cycle, the THCI Southern Leadership Council identified an opportunity for helping organizations with foundational capacity development and collaboration building. As a result, the Council funded an innovative grant to the Center for Nonprofit Management (CNM) to lead efforts in Johnson and Kaufman Counties in 2022.

The goal of this approach is to build community collaborative cohesiveness and increase organizational skills, so community-based organizations are better positioned to pursue future grant opportunities and implement sustainable programs.

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