

# Community health needs assessment implementation plan FY25-FY27

Priority areas	Initiatives (beginning 2025)	Example collaborators
<b>Mental health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase school-based behavioral health (through Children’s Wellness Initiative)</li> <li>• Provide summer group therapy programs in local community centers</li> <li>• Launch telehealth group therapy program</li> <li>• Expand outpatient behavioral health services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boston Public Schools</li> <li>• Boston Centers for Youth and Families</li> <li>• Boston Public Health Commission</li> </ul>
<b>Workforce development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish workforce academy to train health care behavioral health professionals</li> <li>• Grow behavioral health trainees onsite</li> <li>• Expand recruiting partnerships with colleges and universities</li> <li>• Continue to diversify workforce, in partnership with the City of Boston</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boston Children’s Hospital</li> <li>• Boston Public Health Commission</li> <li>• Local higher education institutions</li> </ul>
<b>Community engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch health related social needs (HRSN) survey institution-wide to identify gaps</li> <li>• Collaborate with Boston Children’s Hospital to connect patient families to local programs in the community (e.g., food bank)</li> <li>• Provide education, expertise, and strategic guidance to community groups (e.g., Allston/Brighton Health collaborative)</li> <li>• Expand local volunteer opportunities on campus</li> <li>• Offer adaptive sports camps for children with special needs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boston Children’s Office of Community Health</li> <li>• Allston/Brighton Health Collaborative</li> <li>• Allston/Brighton Community Planning Group</li> </ul>
<b>Dental care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide specialized support to kids with special health care needs (e.g. desensitization clinic for children with developmental disabilities)</li> <li>• Expand access for dental care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boston Children’s</li> <li>• Boston University</li> </ul>