

Is your community concerned about any of these health issues?

Then the CHIR system will provide you with the resources to build a healthy community. CHIR is an interactive planning system designed for use by public health practitioners and community stakeholders to improve the health of a community. The system includes:

1. **Data MICA** (Missouri Information for Community Assessment) - an interactive data query system for use in conducting a needs assessment
2. **Community Profiles** - state, regional and local data for selected health issues for use in assessment and evaluation
3. **Priorities MICA** - an interactive tool to assist with prioritizing diseases and risk factors
4. **Intervention MICA** - information, tools and resources for planning evidence-based interventions to address health conditions or risk factors



Community Health
Improvement Resources (CHIR)

Community Health Improvement Resources (CHIR)

CHIR uses a data driven, evidence-based public health process to guide decision-making, priority setting and intervention planning. The process acknowledges that communities have different needs and may be in different places in addressing health issues.

Some communities may need to start with creating or strengthening partnerships, while others may be ready to plan an intervention to address a priority health issue. Communities that have not done so should conduct a thorough needs assessment to identify priority health issues to address.

The CHIR model shows the seven components of the health improvement process.



- **Partnership** - create a partnership with other individuals, groups and organizations within the community
- **Assessment** - assess and prioritize health issues to address
- **Readiness** - determine readiness to prepare and plan the intervention
- **Capacity** - build partnership capacity by enhancing cultural competence and developing resources
- **Intervention MICA** - plan an intervention to address the priority health issue utilizing information about populations, settings, strategies, action steps, tools and resources, and interventions
- **Evaluation** - evaluate the success of the planning process and intervention
- **Momentum** - gain momentum in sustaining the partnerships and intervention over time

To start building a healthier community go to:
<http://health.mo.gov/data/chir>