

# What's Driving Population Health? The State of the Field in 2015

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Communities Joined in Action

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# Association for Community Health Improvement

- Personal membership group of the American Hospital Association
- Provides **education, professional development, resources** and **engagement opportunities** in the fields of community health, population health and community benefit



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# The schism between public health and health care

**Idea #1:** Public health departments in medical schools

**Idea #2:** Independent schools of public health at existing universities

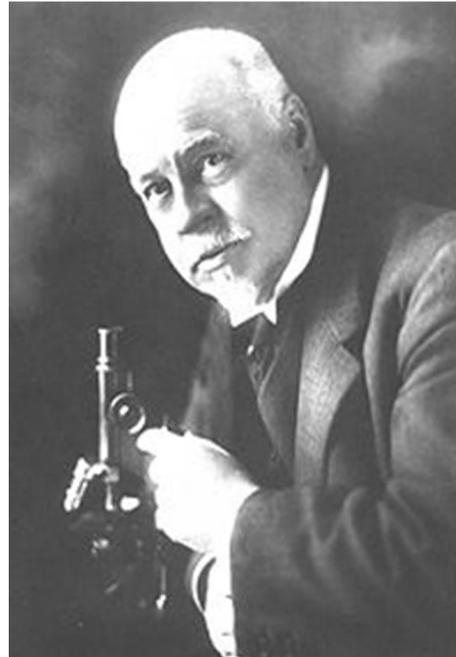
**Idea #3:** Public health training unaffiliated with existing institutions

**Idea #4:** National school of public health supports extension schools

**Wickliffe Rose**



**William Henry Welch**



**Final report:** Public health school to focus on research and science of hygiene

# Opportunities for Alignment – 1960s

## Community Oriented Primary Care

### Community definition & characterization



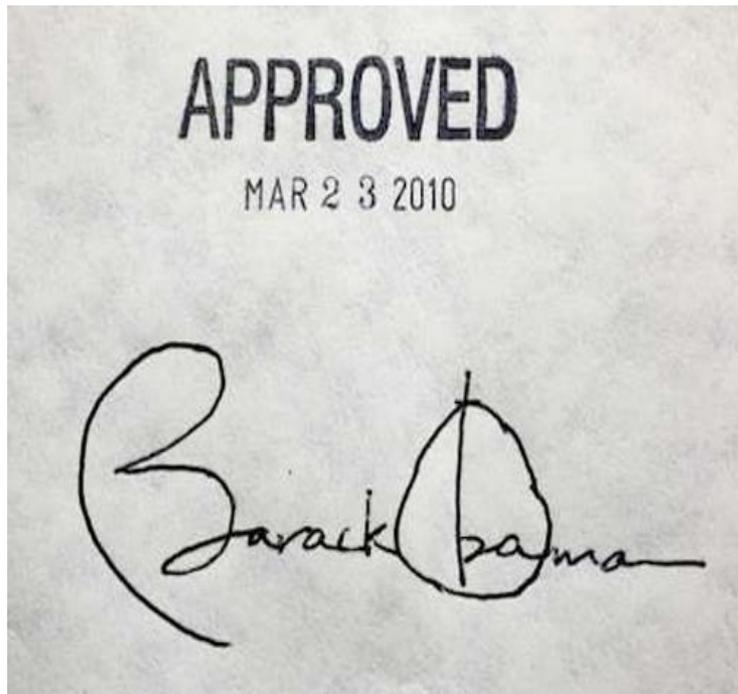
Source: Gofin and Gofin. 2011. Essentials of Global Community Health. Jones & Bartlett Learning.

# Opportunities for Alignment – 1990s

## Health Security Act, HMOs and the Healthy Communities Movement



# The times they are a changin'



- Increased **access to care** for vulnerable populations
- Shift to **value-based payment/capitation** and **population health**
- Redesign of care to **reduce fragmentation** and **improve efficiency** supported by technology
- **Community health needs assessments** and **implementation strategies** require hospitals to address community health issues

**Acute medical care is only one aspect of maintaining and improving health – yet the health care system is part of the**

**solution**

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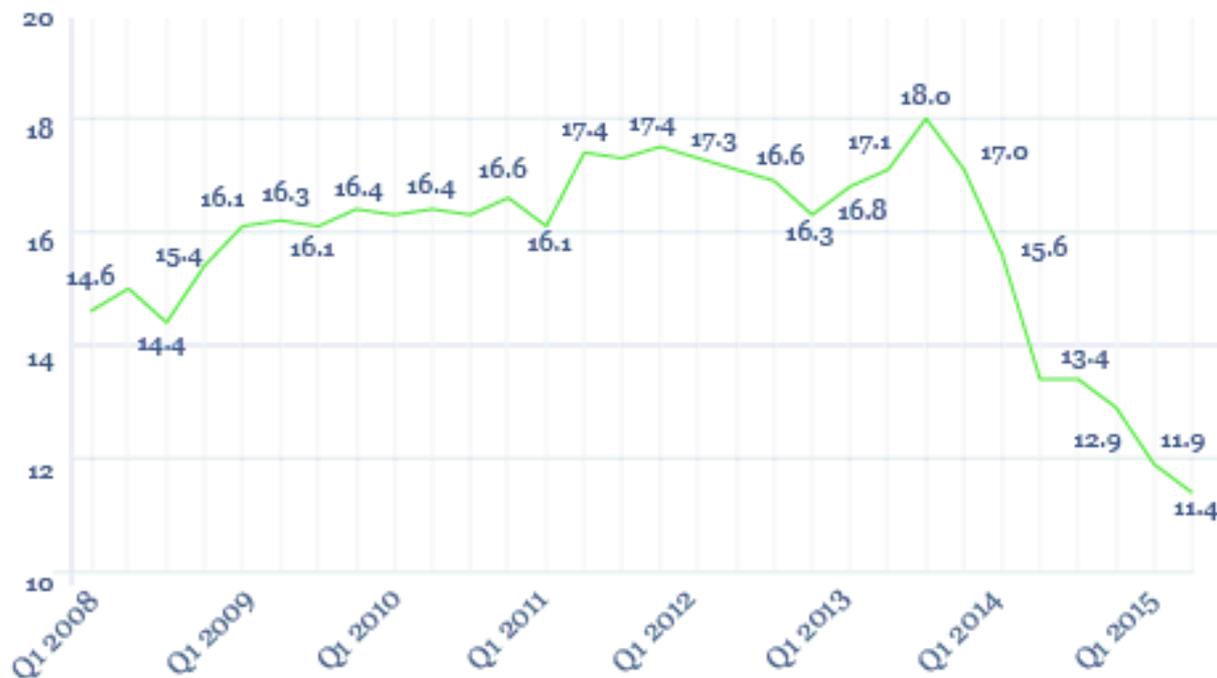
# Uninsured rates are falling

## Percentage Uninsured in the U.S., by Quarter

Do you have health insurance coverage?

Among adults aged 18 and older

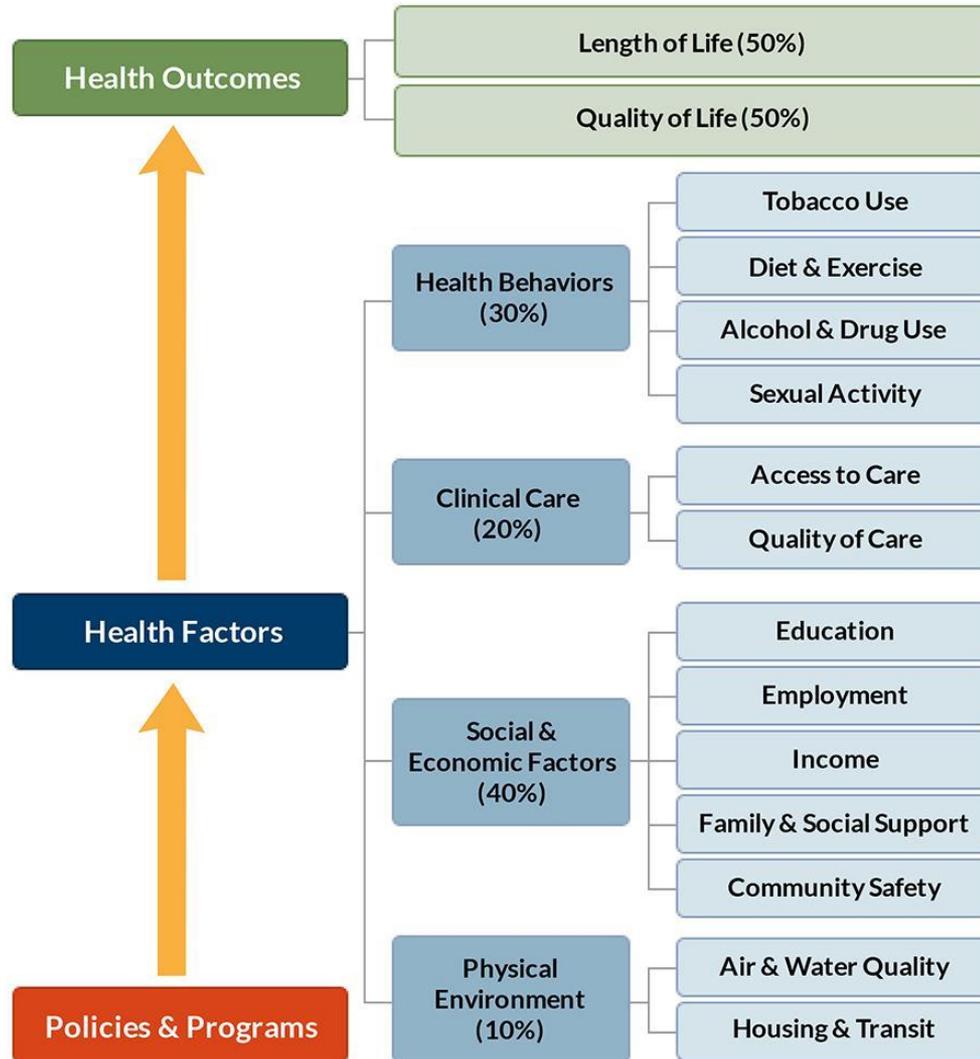
■ % Uninsured



Quarter 1 2008-Quarter 2 2015  
Gallup-Healthways Well-Being Index

Source: [Gallup, July 2015.](#)

# Health care is only one component of health



County Health Rankings model © 2014 UWPHI

Source: [County Health Rankings and Roadmaps](#)

# The health care system is evolving

## Health Delivery System Transformation Critical Path

### Acute Care System 1.0

#### Episodic Non-Integrated Care

- Episodic Health Care
- Lack integrated care networks
- Lack quality & cost performance transparency
- Poorly Coordinate Chronic Care Management

### Coordinated Seamless Healthcare System 2.0

#### Outcome Accountable Care

- Patient/Person Centered
- Transparent Cost and Quality Performance
- Accountable Provider Networks Designed Around the patient
- Shared Financial Risk
- HIT integrated
- Focus on care management and preventive care

### Community Integrated Healthcare System 3.0

#### Community Integrated Healthcare

- Healthy Population Centered
- Population Health Focused Strategies
- Integrated networks linked to community resources capable of addressing psycho social/economic needs
- Population based reimbursement
- Learning Organization: capable of rapid deployment of best practices
- Community Health Integrated
- E-health and telehealth capable

Source: [Neal Halfon, UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families & Communities.](#)

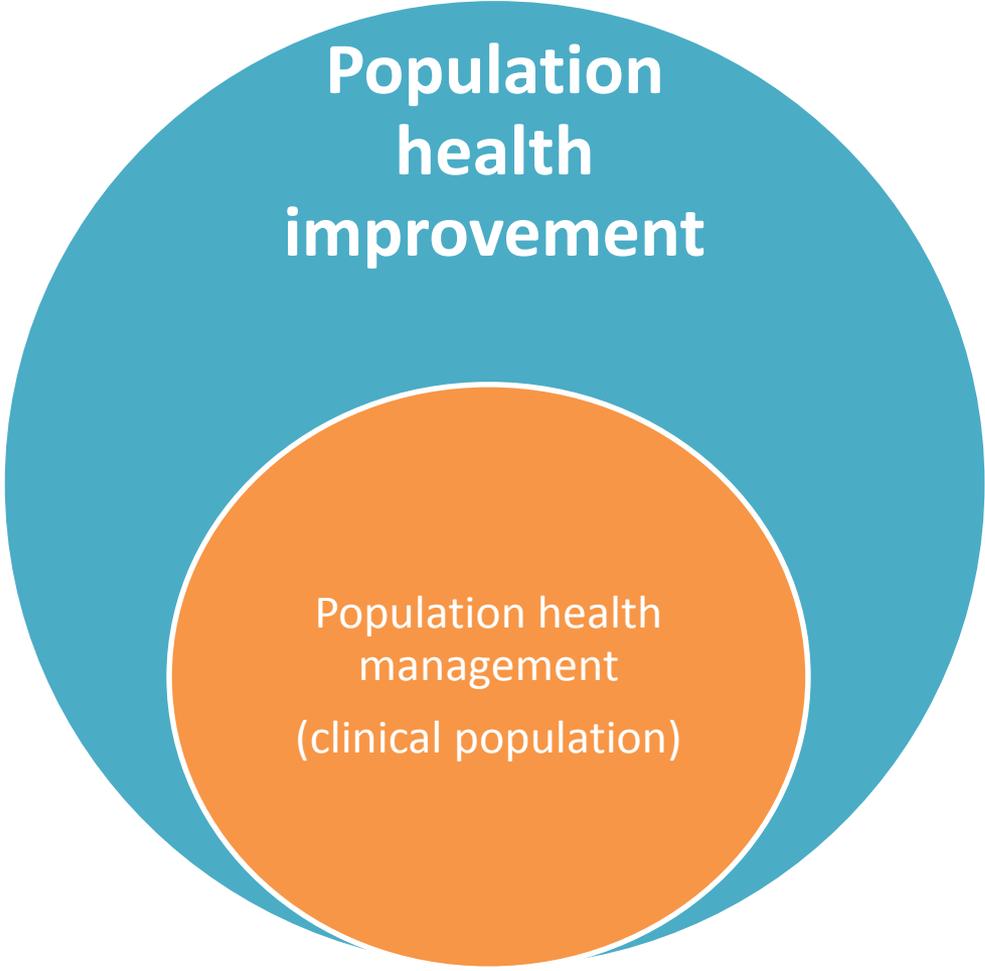
# What is population health?

**Population health is...** the health outcomes of a defined group of people, including the distribution of such outcomes within the group. (Kindig and Stoddart)

**Population health management is...** a clinical approach to improve outcomes by managing the health of a defined group of people while also reducing costs.

**Population health improvement is...** a strategy to improve the health outcomes of and to eliminate health inequities among a defined group of people.

# Population health: management is different than improvement



Population health improvement

Population health management  
(clinical population)

**Population type:** Geographic  
**Key players:** Hospitals/health care systems, public health, community development, and community-based organizations

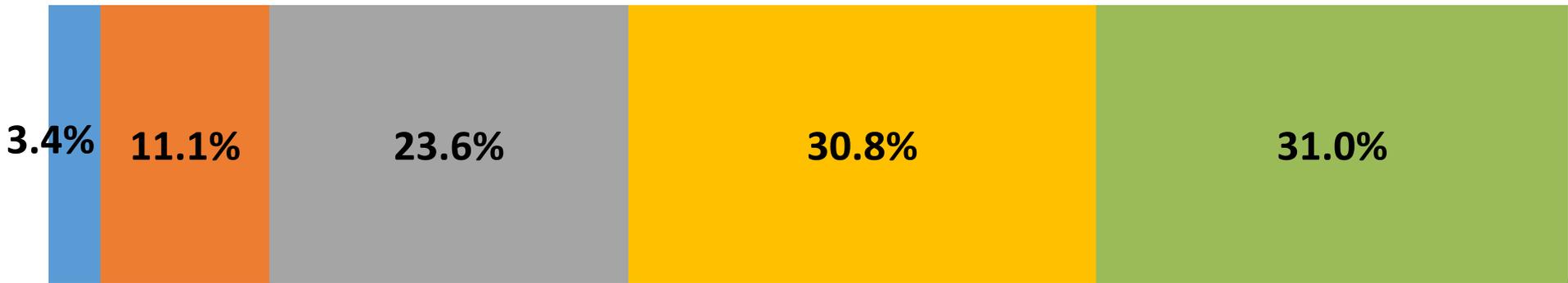
**Interventions:** Social, economic, health behavior, environmental, accessible care

**Measures of Success:** Health status, disparities, disease morbidity

**Strategies:** Community collaborations and public health alignment

# A majority of hospitals are committed to population health

■ No commitment ■ Some commitment ■ Reflected in vision statement ■ Strong commitment ■ Total commitment



85.4 percent are committed to a population health plan

Source: [Health Research & Educational Trust, 2015.](#)

# Hospital alignment with population health

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

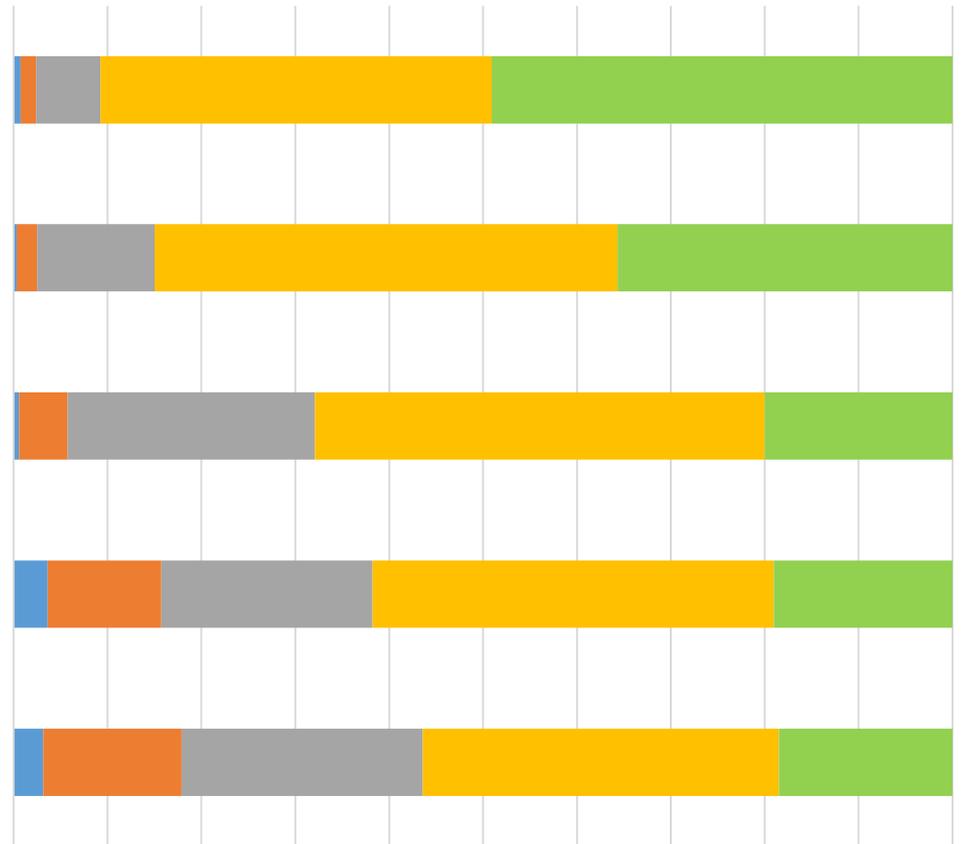
Population health aligned with mission

Strong collaborations with community organizations

Priorities are aligned with public health department's priorities

Financial resources available for population health initiatives

Programs address socioeconomic determinants of health



Strongly disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly agree

Source: [Health Research & Educational Trust, 2015.](#)

# How do hospitals partner?

## Not involved

No current partnerships with this type of organization

## Funding

Grant-making capacity only

## Networking

Exchange ideas and information

## Collaboration

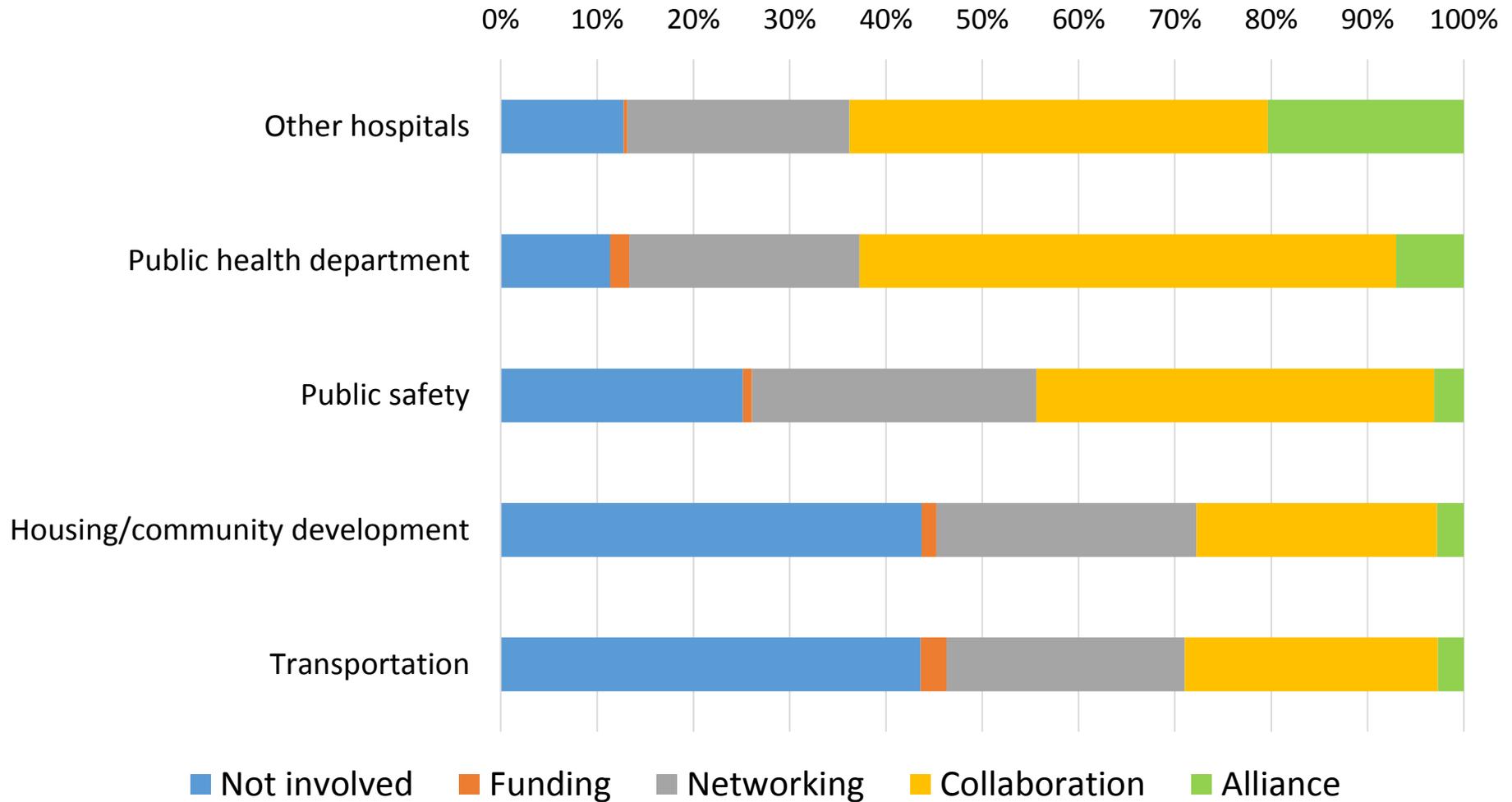
Exchange information and share resources to alter activities and enhance the capacity of the other partner

## Alliance

Formalized partnership (i.e., binding agreement) among multiple organizations with merged initiatives, common goals and metrics

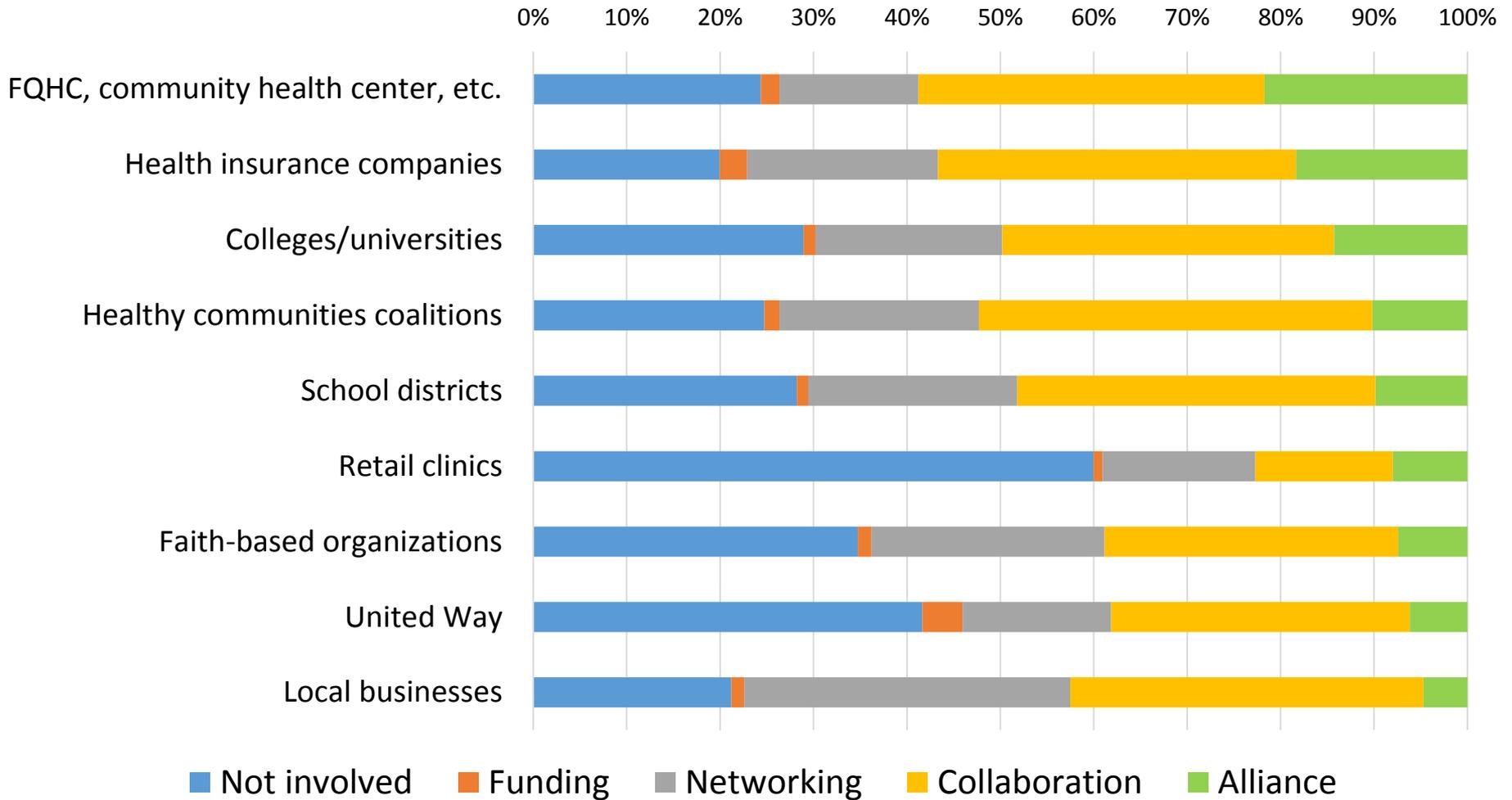
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# Partnerships



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# More partnerships



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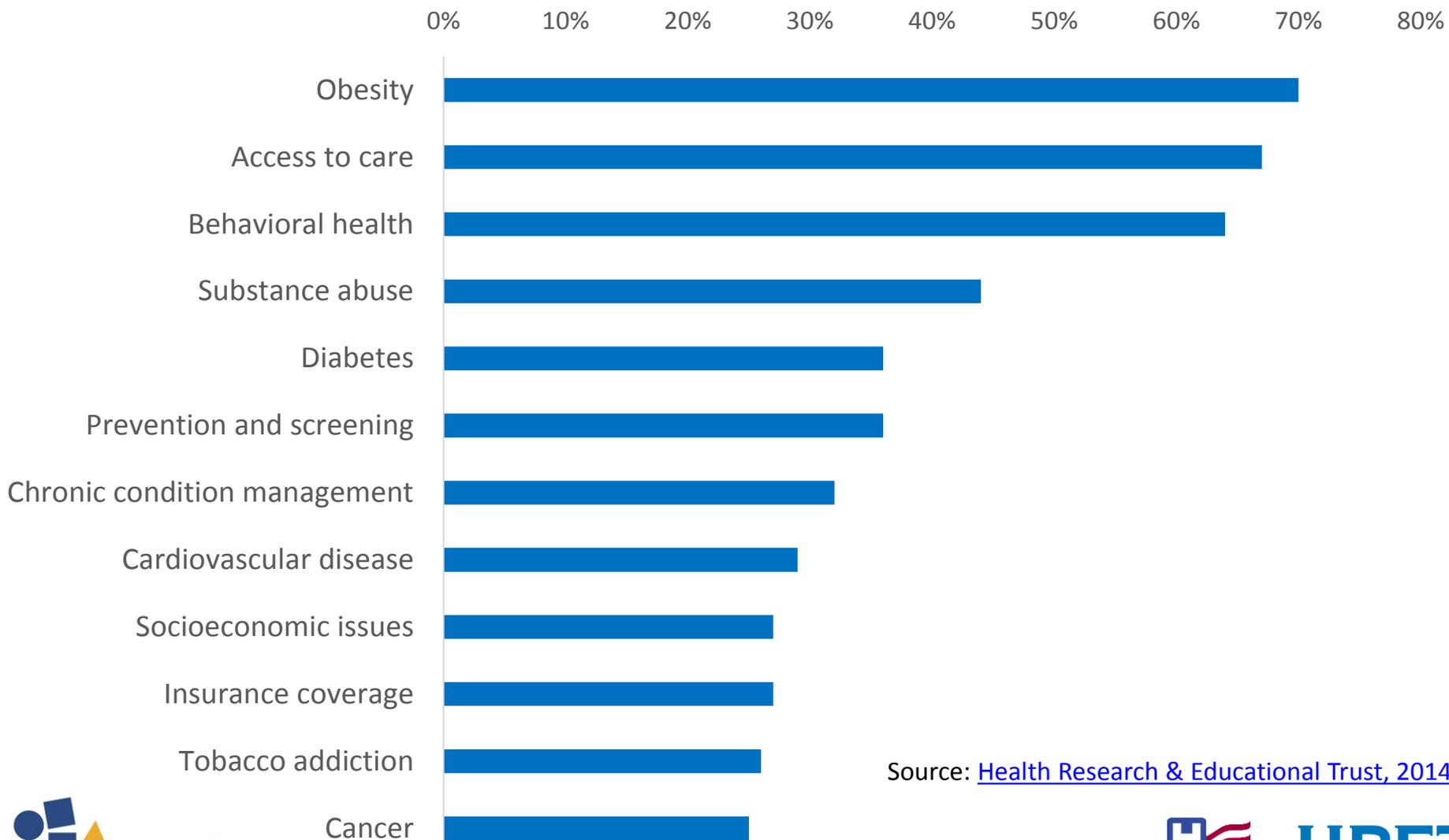
# CHNAs are a forum for collaboration

- Non-profit hospitals are required to conduct a CHNA and adopt an implementation plan (CHIP) every 3 years
  - Review secondary and primary data describing community health
  - Must solicit and take into account input from the community
  - Identify significant health needs of the community
  - Identify priority areas
  - Describe actions to address prioritized needs
  - Adopted by hospital authorizing body

# CHNA final rules support a public health approach

- Definition of “needs” expanded to include: financial, illness prevention, nutrition, social, behavioral and environmental factors
- CHNAs can be conducted in collaboration with other hospitals or public health departments if:
  - Same defined community
  - Final report is separate or single report identifies each participating hospital

# Hospitals are prioritizing public health issues in their CHNAs

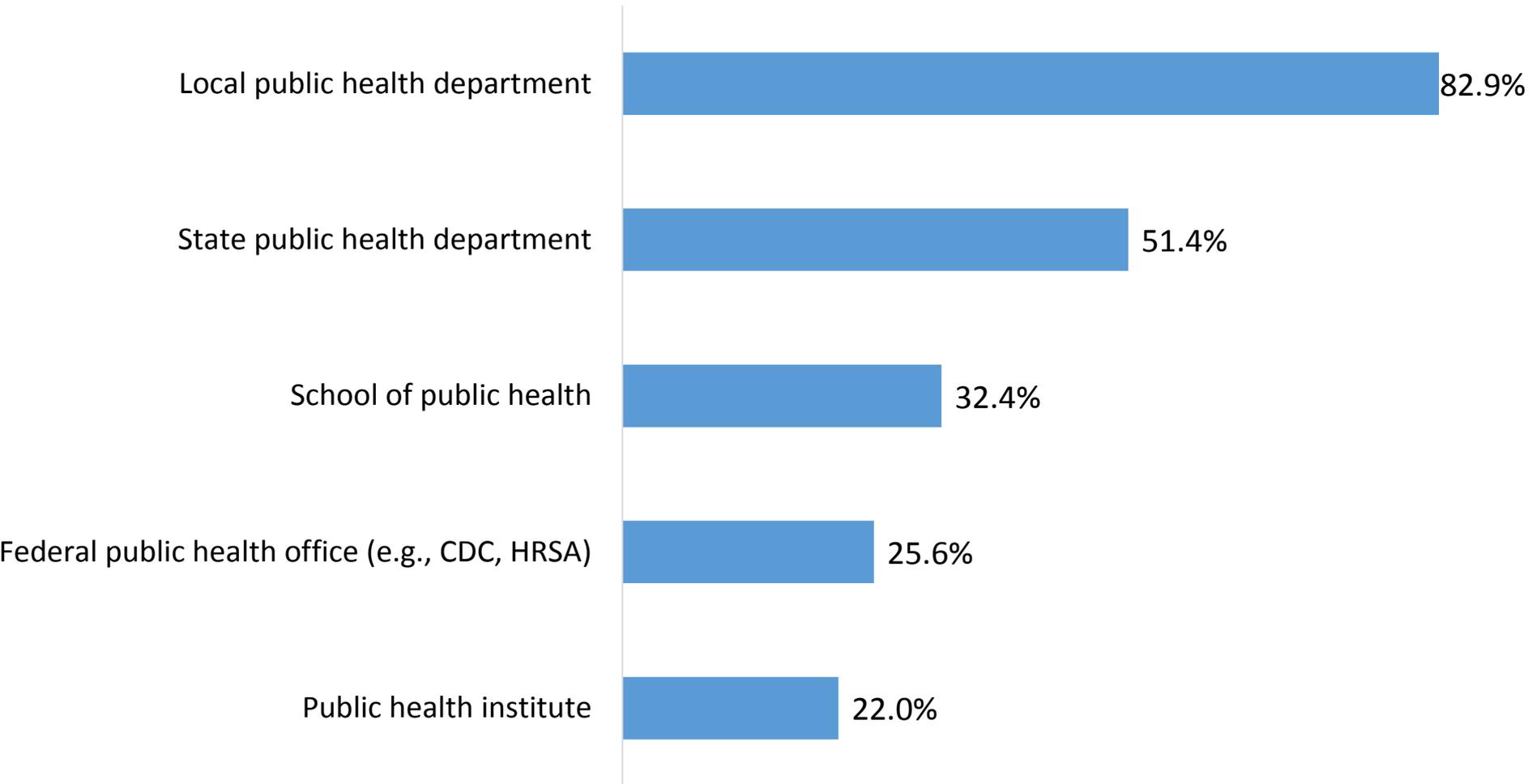


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# CHNAs

Rank	Most Important Uses for CHNA
1	Integrate population health into the hospital's strategic or operational plan
2	Target programs or services to improve population health
3	Increase collaboration with community partnerships to address identified needs
4	Target programs or services to improve population health in collaboration with local public health departments
5	Assess the impact of hospital resources and community readiness to address health needs
6	Use baseline data to inform future assessments

# Hospitals partner with public health for CHNAs



Source: [Health Research & Educational Trust, 2015.](#)

# Public health is more involved with assessment than implementation



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# CHNAs and CHAs Share Priorities

## Chicago Public Health Department



- Access to health care
- Behavioral health
- Chronic disease prevention and control
- Maternal, infant and child health
- Violence and injury prevention



- Access to health services
- Mental health
- Physical activity, nutrition & weight control
- Diabetes
- Heart disease and cardiovascular risk factors
- Asthma and respiratory diseases
- Women's health
- Social determinants of health (e.g., poverty, violence.)

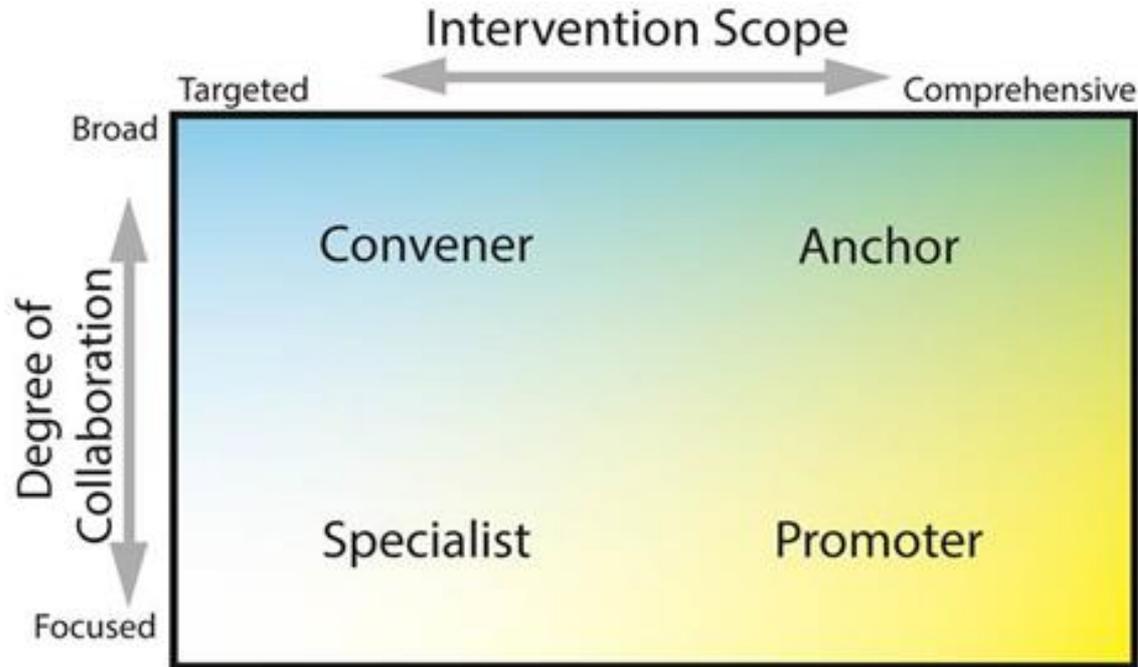


- Access to health services
- Nutrition, physical activity and weight
- Heart disease and stroke
- Injury and violence prevention

# CHNA 2.0

- Bigger, better and more collaborative
  - CHNAs done in coalition with other hospitals, public health organizations and community partners
  - Community and patient engagement in all aspects of the process
- Make the process meaningful and impactful
  - Not just the outcomes
- Integrate CHNA findings into population health strategy
  - Link population health management strategy with CHNA priorities

# Hospital roles for community health



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**Specialist:** Focuses on a few specific issue

**Promoter:** Supports other organizations' initiatives

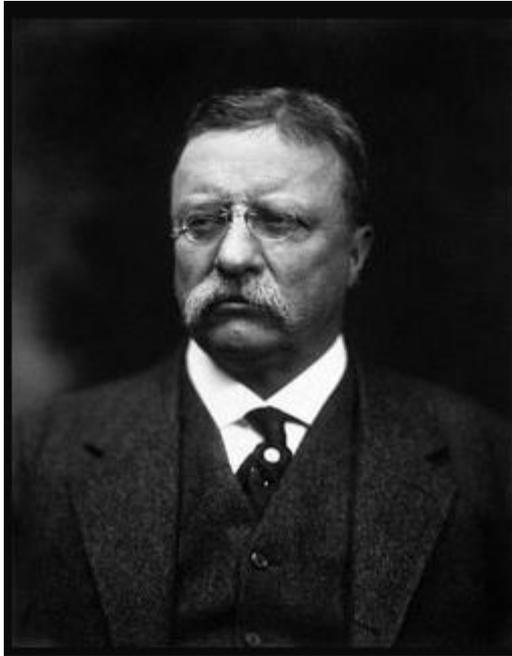
**Convener:** Brings together hospital and community stakeholders to work toward shared goals

**Anchor:** Leads initiatives to build a culture of health

# Group Exercise

- Find the community health issue on your table
- Work with your table to complete asset mapping exercise
- Develop a strategy to address that need
  - What stakeholders can you engage?
    - How can each organization/individual's expertise be leveraged?
  - What role will each one play?
  - Which organization will be the backbone?

# What's Next?



Far and away the best prize that life has to offer  
is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.

(Theodore Roosevelt)

# Thank you!

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