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Dear GHVHS leaders, staff members and board members,

It is with great pride that we present you with the Regional Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Orange & Sullivan Community Health Improvement Plans (CHIP). These documents will provide guidance and direction for our system work to improve the health outcomes of residents in our hospital catchment area. The CHA identifies key needs and issues of a community through comprehensive data collection and analysis. The Community Health Improvement Plans are developed in response to the assessment and in full collaboration with our county health departments and the other hospitals in the counties we serve.

Each county CHIP focuses on two NYS Prevention Agenda areas for the 2019-2021 cycle. It is generally understood that work will continue on the other priority areas, however, the ones chosen and identified below help to focus efforts and align resources on areas of greatest need.

**Orange County:**

Prevent Chronic Disease  
Prevent Communicable Disease

**Sullivan County:**

Prevent Chronic Disease  
Promote Well-Being and Prevent Mental and Substance Use Disorders

Within each of the prevention agenda areas, there are numerous evidence based interventions that the hospitals and health departments have chosen to work on based on collaborative relationships and available resources. Development of each county's CHIP is a community-driven process with diverse input and stake holder engagement.

The GHVHS Community Health Department urges all within our health system to use these documents as a tool for planning departmental outreach and community based programs. Both the CHA and CHIP documents will be located on our hospital and county health department websites. GHVHS Community Health is at your service for presentations, clarifications and explanations. Together, we can work to ensure that everyone in our hospital communities has the opportunity to live their longest, healthiest lives.

Yours in health,

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