

Collecting Additional Local Secondary Data

Demographic and Socioeconomic Data

1. **Special Needs Registry** – Policies and procedures; if there are any concrete numbers of registrants (including their categories of need)
2. **County Revenue Indicators** – Multiple years (if available; partial year acceptable); from Chamber of Commerce or County Economic Development
 - a. **Number of building permits**
 - b. **Value of building permits**
 - c. **Land transfer collections**
 - d. **Gross collections on retail sales**
 - e. **Occupancy receipts**
 - f. **Food and beverage receipts**
3. **Public Transportation** – Description of service; utilization figures for multiple years (if available; partial year acceptable)
4. **Department of Social Services *State of the Department Annual Reports*** – data for Multiple FYs (if available; partial year acceptable)
 - a. Useful DSS data includes parameters that illuminate the effect of poverty in the community or describes apparent needs of particular populations:
 - i. Adult and family Medicaid utilization
 - ii. Nutrition and Food Services
 - iii. Child day care services utilization (and waiting lists)
 - iv. In-home aide services and institutional support for the elderly
5. **Homeless Shelters** – Name, location and capacity; utilization figures for the three most recent years
6. **Domestic Violence Shelters** – Count, capacity (since the names/locations of facilities are likely confidential); utilization data for the three most recent years
7. **School System Data** – Multiple school years (if available) data on:
 - a. **Number and Percent of Children Eligible for Free- or Reduced-price Lunch**
 - b. **Drop-Out Rate**
 - c. **Graduation Rate**
 - d. **Crime and Violence in Schools**

e. LEA Report

f. Any applicable student and/or parent survey data (e.g., YRBS follow-up)

Note: this data is usually available in the public domain (i.e., state Department of Public Instruction) but local data is sometimes more recent.

8. Local report/statistics regarding law enforcement-related activities

a. (including estimates) on gangs and/or gang activity

b. Local report/statistics on methamphetamine lab busts (or other major drug “business” interventions)

c. Local report/statistics on needle/drug/gun exchange programs

Health Resources and Healthcare Utilization Data

1. EMS Calls Summary (by call type) – for the three most recently completed years/fiscal years

2. Health Department – Programs and service utilization data (including clinics and Environmental Health Division) for the three most recently completed fiscal years (or calendar years, if that is the common reporting timetable). Also needed: Communicable Disease Reports (or data) for the same three years, and counts of childhood immunizations and adult immunizations (especially flu shots) administered by year.

a. Clinic utilization data summaries (stratified by race, age, gender, and payer)

b. Communicable disease case tallies

c. Communicable disease outbreak reports

d. Child vaccination records

e. Adult immunization records (especially flu shots given)

f. Health screening activity summaries

g. Environmental health activities and reports (e.g. restaurant and food stand inspection results, well and/or septic system permits and violations, etc.)

3. FQHC or other “free” clinics (if present in county) – Programs and service utilization data, preferably for the three most recently completed years/fiscal years

4. School Health – via *Annual School Health Report* (or equivalent)

a. Programs – Current list of programs and services

b. School Nurse to Student Ratio - Data for most recently completed school year

c. School Nurse Activity Summaries – Data for most recently completed school year

5. Mental Health

- a. LME Annual Report(s)** - utilization data for each county. Preferred parameters include number of patients by diagnosis accompanied, if feasible, by their demographic data (gender, race and age).
 - b. Locally-generated reports, survey results, etc. regarding mental health issues (if available)** – preferably from 2012 and later

- 6. Dentists in each county who accept Medicaid clients** – List (to compare to a NC DMA list that is sometimes inaccurate or dated)

- 7. Hospital/Clinical Data** – ICD-9/ICD-10-CM Codes (International Classification of Diseases), DRG Codes (Diagnosis Related Group Codes), ACS Conditions (Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions)
 - a.** Illuminating mortality rates for leading causes of death with morbidity data for the same conditions.
 - b.** Providing additional information about key health conditions inadequately described by traditional health data in the public domain.
 - c.** Providing diagnosis data that can be stratified by not only by age, gender and racial group, but also geography and primary payer category.