
STARTING POINT BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE LAUNCHES 2025 COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR NASSAU COUNTY

Starting Point Behavioral Healthcare (SPBH) is working with the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc. (HPCNEF) and the St. Johns River Rural Health Network to complete a Community Needs Assessment (CNA) for Nassau County in 2025.

As part of becoming a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), SPBH needs to complete a CNA every few years to identify mental health and substance use concerns in the community, as well as information that will help SPBH improve services and community outreach efforts.

Dr. Laureen Pagel, Starting Point Behavioral Healthcare CEO, states, “Since this health assessment is focused on the Nassau community and their behavioral health needs, we’re determined to get responses from as many residents as possible. It’s important that all voices are heard, especially those of vulnerable and underserved populations that we strive to serve.”

If you live or work in Nassau County, you are encouraged to complete a survey that is part of the CNA. Your feedback about mental health, substance use, and quality of life is valued and will help make Nassau County a better place to live. Community members and businesses are also encouraged to share the survey with staff, partners, volunteers, clients, family, and friends. The survey is also available in Spanish.

The survey will remain open until February 7, 2025. Survey responses are confidential and anonymous.

Take the English survey here: <https://forms.office.com/r/8x3tAM2JAh>

Take the Spanish survey here: <https://forms.office.com/r/3VpH3pH6qr>

For questions about the survey, please contact Daniel Schmidt, MPH, CPH, via email at Daniel_Schmidt@hpcnef.org.

About Us

Created in 1982, the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida (HPCNEF) is one of 11 local health councils mandated by Florida State Statute 408.033. Our purpose is to dedicate resources and expertise to regional health utilization data management, health planning and research, community organizing, health promotion, and awareness programs in a seven-county region of Northeast Florida. HPCNEF is guided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP)’s Healthy People Initiative, and the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA). For more information, contact us at (904) 448-4300 or visit www.hpcnef.org.

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