COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT: KEY FINDINGS

Below are key findings from the Community Health Assessment for Mercer County, completed by the Greater Mercer Public Health Partnership (GMPHP)
To view the full assessment visit: www.hamiltonnj.com/health

OVERVIEW

Viewed as whole, Mercer County has an abundance of social and environmental amenities, economic and educational opportunities, and high-quality healthcare resources, making it a healthy place to live a long life. However, this Mercer County experience is not shared by all residents. While significant portions of our community benefit from a high quality of life, whole neighborhoods and populations experience a starkly different Mercer County. Disparities among population groups within Mercer County—and within all communities—often point toward underlying social inequities.
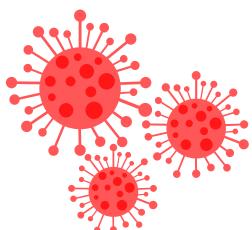
HOW DOES HAMILTON COMPARE

Health equity encompasses a wide range of social, economic, and health measures but can be simply defined as "a fair opportunity for every person to be as healthy as possible."

Health Indicator	Hamilton Township	Mercer County	New Jersey
Median household income, $	$78,177	$81,057	$82,545
Primary language other than English spoken at home, %	22.7%	30.5%	31.3%
Less than high school graduate (population 25 years and older), %	9.0%	11.5%	10.2%
Unemployed labor force, 2015-2019, %	5.1%	6.1%	5.5%
Population without health insurance, %	6.2%	7.7%	7.8%
Accessed prenatal care during first trimester, %	70.8%	65.7%	74.5%

KEY COMMUNITY HEALTH PRIORITIES AND GOALS

After review of statistical and stakeholder data the following health priorities were identified as the most pressing health needs to address in Mercer County

#2 - Chronic Disease and Life Expectancy
Guiding Goal: Achieve equitable life expectancy among all residents in Mercer County

#4 - Maternal and Infant Health
Guiding Goal: Achieve equitable outcomes for mothers and babies

#1 - COVID-19
Guiding goal: Reduce death disparities among vulnerable population groups

#3 - Behavioral Health and Trauma
Guiding Goal: Reduce the impact of trauma on health outcomes