

## Work underway on next *Health Value Dashboard*

HPIO staff is collecting and analyzing data for the next edition of the *Health Value Dashboard*.

The *Dashboard* is slated to be released at a forum in Columbus April 4. Regional forums are scheduled for April 17 in Cincinnati and April 30 in North Canton.

The **2017 Health Value Dashboard**, the second edition of the publication, showed that Ohioans live less healthy lives than people in most other states (43rd in population health), yet spent more on health care (31st in healthcare spending). Ohio was ranked 46th overall for health value, a composite measure of population health outcomes and healthcare spending.

In the four years since introduction of the first *Dashboard*, policymakers and other stakeholders have used the data to set policy priorities, catalyze conversations and evaluate the effectiveness of existing policy strategies.

Data from the 2017 *Dashboard* was cited more than seven times in testimony to the General Assembly. One legislative leader commented, "The *Dashboard* has really become a go-to report. Now it's part of the fabric of what we do."

## 2018 HPIO highlights

2018 was another successful year for HPIO, as the organization continued to partner with policymakers and other stakeholders engaged in the policymaking process to provide the independent and nonpartisan analysis needed to create evidence-informed state health policy.

### HPIO's work recognized by Ohio organizations

HPIO was the recipient of awards from three Ohio organizations in 2018:

- The Ohio State University College of Public Health awarded HPIO its **Dean's Award** at the 2018 Champions of Public Health Awards. The Institute was cited for being a "voice in efforts towards health equity and access for all Ohioans, as well as elevating the quality of health policy dialogue in Ohio."
- The Association of Ohio Health Commissioners gave HPIO its **Public Health Guardian Award** for the Institute's work on population health planning efforts, including the state health assessment and state health improvement plan.
- The Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance gave HPIO a **certificate of recognition and honor** for the Institute's work related to education and health, as well as promoting physical activity and health.



### Child health assessment

The Ohio Children's Hospital Association commissioned HPIO to complete a **report** that identifies Ohio's top child health and healthcare-related priorities and provides a starting place for a child-focused health policy agenda that can pave the way for a healthier Ohio. The report was released at a September event in Columbus that included both major gubernatorial candidates.

### State Health Assessment/State Health Improvement Plan

As the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) began preparation for its next State Health Assessment (SHA) and State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP), it contracted with HPIO to host five regional forums. The forums will inform HPIO's work on the latest iterations of the **SHA and SHIP**, which are expected to be released later this year.

### Addiction

HPIO released the first two in a series of addiction policy scorecards. These tools are designed to identify strengths, gaps and opportunities for improvement in Ohio's policy response to addiction. HPIO's first scorecard addressed prevention, treatment and recovery and the second scorecard examined overdose reversal and other forms of harm reduction. All of HPIO's addiction related work is available at [www.hprio.net/addiction](http://www.hprio.net/addiction)

# HPIO releases report on regional state health assessment forums

In preparation of the state's next State Health Assessment (SHA), the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) contracted with HPIO to host five regional forums and conduct an online survey to determine priorities throughout the state, solicit input on the 2019 SHA and State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) and give feedback for the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant and Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Needs Assessments.

A [report summarizing the results](#) of the regional forums and online survey was released by HPIO in December. This report is one component of the 2019 State Health Assessment, to be released in spring 2019.

ODH must conduct a SHA and prepare a SHIP in order to remain accredited by the national Public Health Accreditation Board. ODH contracted with HPIO to facilitate the development of the most recent versions of each, the [2016 SHA](#) and the [2017-2019 SHIP](#).

## Thank you to our funders

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- CareSource Foundation
- North Canton Medical Foundation
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- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

## Upcoming HPIO Forum

### Addressing Ohio's greatest health challenges through technological innovation

Technological innovations have the potential to improve population health while reducing healthcare spending. In Ohio, new technology is already beginning to change the way we approach the state's greatest health challenges, including:

- **Telehealth** services that increase access to mental health and addiction services
- **Transportation** initiatives that enable better access to jobs and active living environments, while improving air quality
- **Data analytics** tools that identify issues related to the social determinants of health

This forum will explore the role of technology in fostering innovative approaches to improving health and reducing health disparities, with a focus on addressing Ohio's greatest health challenges: mental health and addiction, infant mortality and chronic disease.

Speakers and panelists will discuss policy implications and how to balance the promise of these innovations with policy concerns

**When:** 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2019**

**Where:** Fawcett Event Center  
Ohio State University  
2400 Olentangy River Rd.  
Columbus, OH 43210

#### Speakers include:

- Brandi Braun, Deputy Innovation Officer, City of Columbus
- Representative Doug Green, Chairman of the Ohio House Transportation and Public Safety Committee in the 132nd General Assembly, The Ohio House of Representatives
- Christopher F. Koller, President, Milbank Memorial Fund
- Mei Wa Kwong, Executive Director, Center for Connected Health Policy

#### Panelists include:

- Kimberly Anderson, Chief Legal Counsel, State Medical Board of Ohio
- Dan Paoletti, Chief Executive Officer, Ohio Health Information Partnership
- Alex Vaillancourt, Chief Information Officer & Senior Vice President, Informatics, The Health Collaborative
- And more to be announced!

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