

## Leadership in Action

Current programs and services developed with our partners include:

**Behavioral Health Newsletter** – A Partnership-prepared, twice-quarterly newsletter titled “*Keeping in Touch.*” Developed for the Carroll County Behavioral Health Advisory Council, this newsletter is available on our website.

**Cross-Agency Training** – Training to provide local service agencies and organizations with information detailing each other’s basic services and procedures. This results in better information for clients about available help and more continuity between services.

**Designated Driver Education** – The Partnership, in collaboration with other organizations, provides Designated Driver awareness and water distribution at the annual Maryland Wine Festival.

**Flu Immunization Outreach** – Promotes getting regular, annual flu shots for all appropriate ages, including homebound older adults.

**Fun in the Sun** – A summertime skin cancer prevention and awareness program held at local community pools and lakes.

**Healthy Carroll Vital Signs** – The Partnership’s system for tracking and reporting on selected data points, or indicators, to gauge progress in the Community Health Improvement Areas.

**Our Community Dashboard** – A web-based system encompassing a wide variety of data for Carroll County. Collected from a number of resources, this data is updated automatically when new information becomes available.

**Safer in the Shade** – An educational program focusing on skin cancer prevention. An annual tree planting is held to highlight the importance shade plays in protecting people against sun overexposure.



Visit us on the web at [HealthyCarroll.org](http://HealthyCarroll.org) to find out about:

- Local health headlines and events
- New community health initiatives
- Links and downloadable brochures and booklets
- Health statistics for Carroll County
- Volunteer-based leadership and action teams that you can join

### Our Founders

Carroll County Health Department  
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## Connecting people.

### Who We Are

**The Partnership for a Healthier Carroll County, Inc.**, was established in 1999 by a team of progressive leaders from Carroll Hospital Center and the Carroll County Health Department. The Partnership collaborates with individuals, organizations and agencies throughout Carroll County to create a healthier community. With support from our community partners, this unique organization strives to improve the health of the community by organizing skilled and influential leadership and action teams, influencing policies on both the state and local levels, and promoting healthier lifestyles. Our success is derived from sharing activities and resources that help people live healthier lives.

### Our Mission

The Partnership for a Healthier Carroll County, Inc., strives to build the capacity of individuals and organizations to improve the health and quality of life in Carroll County, Maryland.



## Inspiring action.

### What We Do

Teamwork is at the heart of everything we do. With the help of committed and dedicated individuals and organizational partners, we:

- Promote healthy lifestyles
- Inspire leadership in the community
- Develop new relationships to address emerging health needs
- Advocate for change that translates into better health and quality of life for Carroll County residents
- Track and interpret health data to continually “check the pulse” of our community and monitor results

### Community Health Needs Assessment

Developed using the most up-to-date community health information, the Community Health Needs Assessment identifies the most critical community health needs. By identifying these needs, The Partnership, along with groups and individuals in the community, strive to implement programs that help improve the overall health of Carroll County.

### Community Health Improvement Areas

Using accurate and reliable community assessment data, and strong input from the community, The Partnership identified several broad Core Health Improvement Areas on which to focus. These areas include:

- Chronic Disease Prevention and Chronic Disease Intervention
- Elder Health
- Access to Health Care
- Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Abuse)

## Strengthening community.

### Guiding You in Your Quest for Good Health

Many resources to help individuals live healthier lives have been developed with the help of our community partners. All resources are free and can be found online at [HealthyCarroll.org](http://HealthyCarroll.org) or in print where applicable:

- Healthy Carroll Resource Guide
- Healthy Carroll Families – an electronic resource on nutrition and physical activity
- Healthy Dining Guide of Carroll County
- The Carroll Card – a wallet sized card listing a variety of general community resources
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Resource Directory for Carroll County
- Prescription Assistance Information Card

### Acknowledgements and Awards

Each year The Partnership holds an assembly known as *We're On Our Way*. This community event reviews and celebrates progress toward our shared vision of health, and honors the outstanding achievements of local groups and individuals in Carroll County. Nominated by you, these groups and individuals help make our community a healthier place to live and to work.

**Dr. Janet W. Nelsen Award** – recognizes the outstanding efforts of an individual and/or organization in improving access to health care.

**Karen Feroli Community Champion Award** – honors an individual who takes decisive action and creates a plan to strengthen our community's health.

**Worksite Wellness Award** – recognizes the outstanding achievements of businesses in implementing employee health promotion and wellness programs.

### Our Vision

**The Partnership for a Healthier Carroll County, Inc., will be the leader in healthy community strategies, implemented by the Carroll County, Maryland community, to achieve the highest level of health possible.**