

Minnesota IMPLICIT Network

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ABOUT GRANTEE:

Started by three volunteers in 1971, Southside Community Health Services has been promoting health in South Minneapolis for over 50 years. Southside strives to provide the opportunity for **a happy and productive life** to everyone in the community.

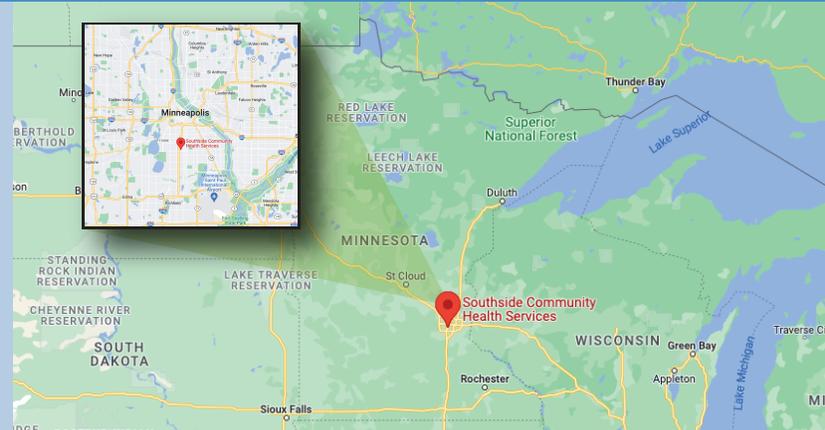
PRIMARY REACH:

Families living in and around Hennepin County

- 24.6% are Black, Indigenous and people of color (BIPOC)¹
- 6.1% of the population lives in poverty²
- 41.8% of kids are eligible for free or reduced price lunch³
- 10,883 annual premature deaths⁴

OTHER INITIATIVES:

- Southside Community Health Services partners with a variety of organizations within Minneapolis, including: Minneapolis Public Schools, Head Start, Reach Out and Read, Help Me Grow/Way to Grow, and Urban Venture.
- Southside has been recognized as a Gold Quality Leader in clinical quality outcomes the past three years, ranking in the top 10% of over 1400 clinics across the country.



QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (QI) EFFORTS:

As a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Southside regularly collects and reports out data related to health outcomes.

Southside has a quality improvement team that tracks information using the Uniform Data System (UDS) and shares data with staff quarterly. Additionally, two additional quality improvement groups meet monthly, one focuses on chronic conditions and the other on preventative measures. Southside also regularly meets with its board of directors and the national Federally Qualified Urban Health Network (FUHN) to discuss its UDS data.

DESCRIPTION OF INTERCONCEPTION CARE PLAN

Number of providers involved in well-child checks: 7

Other members of the interconception care team:

Nursing department, behavioral health, clinic staff (medical assistant team & provider team), and quality improvement.

Project Focus: Southside aims to use the IMPLICIT model to better standardize workflows to implement best practices to improve the birth outcomes of their patients. Southside plans to leverage its existing smoking and depression screening processes while increasing consistency in screening and providing interventions for family planning and folic acid use.



¹ 2019 American Community Survey.

² Ibid.

³ Minnesota Department of Health. <https://mndatamaps.web.health.state.mn.us/interactive/frpl.html>.

⁴ University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, County Health Rankings: 2021. <https://careshq.org/map-room/?ids=39521>. Estimate provided is a 3-year average.