

**SAN MIGUEL COUNTY
COMMUNITY HEALTH
PROFILE**

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San Miguel Family & Community Health Council
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Council Description

Introduction of the San Miguel County Family & Community Health Council

The San Miguel County Maternal Child Health (MCH) Council and the Healthier Communities Council of San Miguel County (HCC) have merged into the San Miguel County Family & Community Health Council (Consejo Pro Salubridad Familiar y Comunitaria del Condado de San Miguel).

In April 2004, the San Miguel County Board of County Commissioners formally appointed 21 members to the new blended San Miguel County Family & Community Health Council and in May 2004 by-laws were adopted and officers elected. Since then, the council has continued to evolve. Members are appointed by the County Commission in the fall of each year.

Council Description

The Council membership is made up of diverse individuals who represent service providers, community agencies, organizations, coalitions and private citizens. The council strives to maintain a membership which is geographically and ethnically representative of San Miguel County. Primarily, our goal is to further facilitate and develop the comprehensive community health improvement process, through council assessment, planning and coordination at a county level.

Additionally, coordination services also support community action and systems evaluation.

The Health Council meets on a monthly basis, with Committees (Interpersonal Violence, Teen Pregnancy, Diabetes/Obesity) also holding regular meetings. All meetings are open to the public, if you are interested in attending meetings, or becoming a member of a committee or the Health Council, please contact the Health Council Office at smhealthcouncil@desertgate.com or 454-1401 ext 275.

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Use of County Profile

This County Profile is intended to provide the community with both general and specific descriptive information on the status of health of San Miguel County. This information may be used for informative and educational purposes, to gain an understanding of existing gaps, to consider opportunities to collaborate with other agencies and to substantiate the need for additional resources and services in the County. The document will also be used as a resource for Council members to utilize while establishing priorities and planning activities. The material is broad in scope and paints the picture of both maternal and child health issues as well as, greater community health issues. As new information and data becomes available, the profile and plan will be updated. We hope you find it informative and useful in your work to understand health issues and improve health outcomes in San Miguel County. If you are interested in any further information please contact the San Miguel County Family & Community Health Council at 454-1401 extension 275 or smhealthcouncil@desertgate.com

Vision Statement

“Healthy families promoting a healthy community”

Mission Statement

“To provide and promote a leadership role in empowering the community to improve our health status, through a comprehensive, family-centered, community based and culturally-sensitive approach in San Miguel County”

Purpose

- A. To enhance the quality of life through the improvement of health, welfare and safety of every resident.
- B. To discuss ideas, concerns, initiatives, goals and solutions for collectively developing community priorities for the above.
- C. To maximize community health resources and services.
- D. Advocate for the needs of women, infants, children, adolescents and their families, including fathers, and children with special health care needs.
- E. Improve maternal & child health outcomes.