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Community Health Assessment Released and Health Summit Announced

October 2, 2017 – Denton County Public Health (DCPH) announced today the release of the *2017 Community Health Assessment*. The summary document of existing health trends was developed through in-depth data collection by several Denton County agencies. DCPH, Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton and United Way of Denton County partnered to produce broad, high-quality data and identify areas of health concerns.

This assessment included many participants and aims to promote a healthier Denton County. The *2017 Community Health Assessment* serves as a foundation of quality health data to partner with stakeholders and residents to make Denton County a healthier place to live, work, worship and play.

Dr. Matt Richardson, Director of Public Health, states “By combining the hard work of recent workgroups, our staff was able to collectively identify Denton County residents’ health concerns to be addressed for a healthier community.”

Identified health areas of concern are:

- Access to Care
- Behavioral Health
- Exercise, Weight and Nutrition
- Health Outcomes: Chronic Disease
- Education and Prevention

DCPH invites residents and stakeholders to attend the upcoming Community Health Summit to participate in community health improvement planning through strategically reviewing these areas of concern. The Community Health Summit event details include:

- Date: Wednesday, October 11th from 9am to 2pm
- Location: Denton County Southwest Courthouse, 6200 Canyon Falls Drive, Flower Mound, Texas 76226
- Register to attend at: bit.ly/2xsoF5q. Registration is on a first come basis with limited capacity.

Please visit www.dentoncounty.com/health to view the full *2017 Community Health Assessment* and provide feedback on the report through the online community survey. You can also obtain updates on the assessment report and Community Health Summit by liking DCPH on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DentonCountyPublicHealth.

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