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Dear Stakeholders:

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has contracted with Ohio University in partnership with the Ohio Colleges of Medicine's Government Resource Center, the University of Toledo, and the Health Policy Institute of Ohio to support the update process to update the 2022 State Health Assessment (SHA) and the 2023-2028 State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP).

We are asking stakeholders to complete a survey in order to gain insights from a wide variety of sectors to identify health-related priorities, strengths, challenges, and emerging trends that will help inform our efforts. We are interested in learning about the health outcomes and health factors you continue to see as a priority and what new outcomes or factors you would elevate to a priority level. The stakeholder survey uses the structure of the SHIP framework which identifies key factors that shape health and well-being and health outcomes prioritized in the 2019 SHA.

This [survey](#) is open to all stakeholders interested in improving health and quality of life in Ohio. Please complete it by Thursday, February 9th, 2023.

In addition to the survey, guided discussions are being held with organizations that serve vulnerable populations and individuals with lived experience. A secondary data analysis is being conducted to identify trends across health outcomes and factors that impact health. Key findings and conclusions of these primary and secondary analyses will help inform the selection of priorities that will be included in the 2023-2028 SHIP.

You may be interested in reviewing the 2020- 2022 SHIP which can be found on the ODH website at <https://odh.ohio.gov/static/SHIP/2020-2022/2020-2022-SHIP.pdf>.

Thank you for participating in this survey. Please feel free to share it within your organization and with any other organizations that you believe can provide important insights for the SHA and SHIP. Your responses will be kept strictly confidential and only reported as part of aggregated information and data.

Sincerely,

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