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**On what social determinant of health will your team focus?**

- Our team will target health literacy as our focus in order to help individuals access, understand and use health related information and services to make appropriate health decisions.



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**What key components and infrastructure has your team established to support your work? Key partners engaged?**

- The team has created an advisory board consisting of a diversified group representing the different organizations in Sharkey and Issaquena Counties. The advisory board will participate in the planning and implementation of the project.

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**■ Key Components:**

- Agreement of team on social determinants of health to be addressed
- Clearly defined, developed, and agreed upon goals
- Clearly defined and agreed upon responsibilities for team members
- Identification of necessary partners
- Effective connection with the community and community-based organizations.

■ Our key partners will be faith-based groups and the local schools.

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**What has your team accomplished thus far?**

- Developed a mission statement
- Identified social determinants that produce poor health and quality of life in our community
- Decided on our area of focus
- Organized an advisory board
- Received input from the advisory board
- Created a brochure explaining the project

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- Identified some resources that faith-based groups may use to promote a healthy life-style
- Received commitments from individuals to teach tennis lesson to faith-based groups

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## What are the biggest challenges to your team's progress?

- The biggest challenge in our team's progress is time.
- It will be a challenge to get adults to change their southern culture cooking style to a more healthy way of cooking.
- To increase physical activity



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What is necessary for Place Matters to succeed in your community?

- In order for Place Matters to succeed in our community, there must be successful collaboration with the schools, faith-based organizations, and the community to help our citizens to become more aware of the importance of developing a healthy living style.

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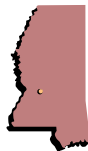
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