The Flint Hills Wellness Coalition (FHWC) works cooperatively with citizens and groups throughout the City of Manhattan and Riley County to develop community norms that support healthy behaviors and environments. Our vision is to create a healthier community for our residents through policy, system, environmental, and personal change. FHWC has been successful in improving access to healthy foods through vending and concessions. FHWC has expanded their scope of work to address some of the needs identified by the community in the 2015 Community Needs Assessment for Riley County. In 2016, workgroups, including nutrition, physical activity, mental health, access and coordination of services, and substance abuse were formed to put the results into action. The recently completed 2020 Community Needs Assessment for Riley County was coordinated by FHWC, and next year will inform the process that results in our community’s next community health improvement plan (CHIP).

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