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**Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative Conducts Survey and Listening Groups
as part of 2016 Community Health Needs Assessment**

(October 20, 2015)— This fall the Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative (HCWC) is soliciting community feedback for its 2016 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA). This initiative includes an online survey designed to identify health needs of our communities.

To take the survey, visit www.healthycolumbiawillamette.org

This is the first year HCWC is offering an online survey, which will be available in English, Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, and Chinese. To increase engagement in this data collection initiatives, HCWC is reaching out to over 200 local organizations. These organizations, which range from service groups to health clinics, will direct community members to the online survey.

The engagement efforts launched at the start of September 2015, coming to a close in January 2016. HCWC wants to hear from as many community members as possible. In spring 2016, HCWC will analyze the findings resulting in a CHNA, or a summarized report of the health needs of local community members. This summarized report will be available on July 31, 2016.

The information collected from the survey will inform HCWC member organizations of their improvement activities. Examples from the 2013 process can be found at multco.us/healthy-columbia-willamette-collaborative/reports

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Data collection and synthesis is just one way the HCWC aims for stronger relationships between communities, CCOs, hospitals, and public health. The group also acts as a platform for collaboration around health improvement plans and activities that leverage collective resources to improve the health and wellbeing of our communities.

Members of the HCWC include: Adventist Medical Center, Clackamas County Public Health Division, Clark County Public Health, FamilyCare Health, Health Share of Oregon, Kaiser Sunnyside Hospital, Kaiser Westside Hospital, Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center, Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center, Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center, Multnomah County Health Department, Oregon Health & Science University, PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center, Providence Milwaukie Hospital, Providence Portland Medical Center, Providence St. Vincent Medical Center, Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center, Tuality Healthcare, and Washington County Public Health Division.