

NH COPD Plan Guiding Principles

The following guidelines are meant to provide a clear and shared understanding of the NH COPD Plan as envisioned by the various stakeholders.

The Process

- ❖ Involve those directly impacted by COPD and other stakeholders who can provide “on-the-ground” reality and solutions.
- ❖ Be inclusive in terms of diverse perspectives and geographical representation.
- ❖ Build on existing plans and work underway while addressing New Hampshire specific needs.
- ❖ Be action-oriented yet thoughtful.
- ❖ Energize and pull people together through a common vision.

The Plan

- ❖ The plan will include practical, cost-effective, and sustainable action steps that can make effective and measurable improvements.
- ❖ The plan will keep action steps broad, applicable to a wide range of populations, and always maintain a “patient perspective”.
- ❖ The plan will be unique in its simplicity – using simple messages, understandable concepts and aligning existing resources.
- ❖ The plan will prioritize policy and environmental approaches aimed at impacting population health.
- ❖ The plan will address “Best Practices” for diagnosis, treatment and management of COPD.
- ❖ The plan will serve as a resource guide for health care providers, policy makers, patients and NH communities to better address COPD in NH.
- ❖ The plan will set priorities and identify potential funding strategies and sources.
- ❖ The plan will be a fluid document subject to review every year with new data and information.