


This assessment provides an opportunity for you gain insight into the mission, vision, and operations of a community services organization.


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Graded Requirements

The research requirements, outlined below, correspond to the grading criteria in the assessment scoring guide, so be sure to address each point.

- Explain how the organization's mission and vision enable it to contribute to public health and safety improvements.
 - Include examples of ways a local and/or global initiative supports organizational mission and vision and promotes public health and safety.
- Evaluate an organization's ability to promote equal opportunity and improve the quality of life in the community.
 - Consider the effects of social, cultural, economic, and physical barriers.
- Assess the impact of funding sources, policy, and legislation on the organization's provision of services.
 - Consider the potential implications of funding decisions, policy, and legislation for individuals, families, and aggregates within the community.
- Explain how an organization's work impacts the health and/or safety needs of a local community.
 - Consider how nurses might become involved with the organization.
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Instructions

First, select one of the local, national, or global nonprofit organizations or government agencies presented in the [Assessment 02 Supplement: Community Resources \[PDF\]](#)  resource.

Then research the nonprofit organization or government agency that you selected. Determine how the organization or agency contributes to public health and safety improvements, promotes equal opportunity, and improves the quality of life within the community. Submit your findings in a 3–5 page report structured according to the following specifications:

Document Format and Length

Format your paper using APA style.

- Refer to the [APA Style Paper Tutorial \[DOCX\]](#) to help you in writing and formatting your paper. Be sure to include:
 - A title page and references page. An abstract is not required.
 - Appropriate section headings.
- Your paper should comprise 3–5 pages of content plus title and references pages.

Supporting Evidence

Cite at least three credible sources from peer-reviewed journals or professional industry publications published within the past 5 years that support your research findings.

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- Apply APA formatting to in-text citations and references exhibiting nearly flawless adherence to APA format.
 - Write with a specific purpose and audience in mind.
 - Adhere to scholarly and disciplinary writing standards and APA formatting requirements.

Additional Requirements

Before submitting your paper, proofread it to minimize errors that could distract readers and make it difficult for them to focus on your research findings.

Competencies Measured



By successfully completing this assessment, you will demonstrate your proficiency in the following course competencies and scoring guide criteria:

Competency 1: Analyze health risks and health care needs among distinct populations.

- Explain how an organization's work impacts the health and/or safety needs of a local community.

Competency 2: Propose health promotion strategies to improve the health of populations.

Assessment 02 – Community Resources

For this assessment, you will research a selected local, national, or global nonprofit organization or government agency to determine how it contributes to public health and safety improvements, promotes equal opportunity, and improves the quality of life within the community and submit your findings in a 3–5 page report.

Before you complete the detailed instructions in the courseroom, first review the local, national, and global nonprofit organizations and government agencies in the list below and select one to be the focus of your assessment.

- **The Arc:** Advocates for the rights and full participation of all children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- **Alliance for Retired Americans:** Advocates for the rights and well-being of retirees in the U.S.
- **Futures Without Violence:** Works to prevent and end domestic and sexual violence through policy development, educational programs, and public action campaigns.
- **Blue Campaign:** The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's campaign to combat human trafficking and raise awareness.
- **Covenant House:** Provides housing and supportive services to youth facing homelessness.

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Competency 2: Propose health promotion strategies to improve the health of populations.

- Explain how an organization's mission and vision enable it to contribute to public health and safety improvements.

Competency 3: evaluate health policies, based on their ability to achieve desired outcomes.

- Assess the impact of funding sources, policy, and legislation on an organization's service delivery.

Competency 4: Integrate principles of social justice in community health interventions.

- Evaluate an organization's ability to promote equal opportunity and improve the quality of life in a community.

Competency 5: Apply professional, scholarly communication strategies to lead health promotion and improve population health.

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