

Culture of Health Action Framework

The Culture of Health Action Framework was developed by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation ([RWJF](#)) in collaboration with the RAND Corporation in 2015, building on RWJF’s proposed vision for a national [Culture of Health](#) that enables all in our diverse society to lead healthier lives, now and for generations to come. [Ten underlying principles](#) provided the foundation for this vision and the inspiration for the Action Framework, intended to mobilize a national Culture of Health and achieve an Outcome of improved population health, well-being, and equity.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)

For more than 45 years the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has worked to improve health and health care. We are working alongside others to build a national Culture of Health that provides everyone in America a fair and just opportunity for health and well-being.

The [Culture of Health Action Framework](#) is comprised of Action Areas, Drivers, and Measures, all drawn from rigorous research and analysis of the systemic problems holding the nation back from a level of health that a great nation deserves. The framework’s development involved valuable input from over 1,000 experts, partners, colleagues, community members, focus group participants and global leaders during an 18-month period. The four Action Areas include: making health a shared value, fostering cross-sector collaboration to improve well-being, creating healthier, more equitable communities, and strengthening integration of health services and systems; the Outcome is improved population health, well-being, and equity. In its most recently updated iteration in [2019](#), 35 measures correspond to specific drivers within the action areas and outcome.

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| Developer(s) | The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and the RAND Corporation |
| Funder(s) | RWJF |
| Purpose(s) | To set a national agenda to improve health, equity and well-being through unprecedented collaboration between individuals, organizations, and communities. |
| Target Populations | Individuals, public and private sector organizations, and communities representing a range of social, demographic, and geographic characteristics. |
| Data Sources | Data sources include national surveys, national/regional databases, public use datasets and more. Data sources for each measure can be found here . |
| Technical Measure Descriptions | Technical descriptions are available in the Culture of Health Measures Compendium Update 2019 . |
| Number of Measures | 35 measures in total. 11 measures directly apply to children and adolescents. |
| Topics of Measurement | Making health a shared value; fostering cross-sector collaboration to improve well-being; creating healthier, more equitable communities; strengthening integration of health services and systems; and improved population health, well-being, and equity. |
| Reporting Requirements | No reporting requirements. 2019 updates reflect expanding views of what influences health with the objective of catalyzing action across sectors to improve structural determinants of health. More information on updates can be found here . |
| Recommended or Required Stratification | All possible stratifications depend on the individual measures and their corresponding data sources. View the Action Framework and Measures Technical Report . |
| Link to Additional Info | Building a Culture of Health: How We Got Here Moving Forward Together: An Update on Building and Measuring a Culture of Health Putting the Action Framework to Use Supplement |

[Browse and Search the Measures](#)

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