TENNESSEE’S HIGH RATES OF CHRONIC DISEASE COME WITH A COST

Tennessee’s excess burden of diabetes, hypertension, and cardiovascular disease (CVD) affected 460,000 Tennesseans and cost nearly $5.3 Billion in direct medical care, lost productivity, and premature death in 2015.

Our environments (physical, social, and economic), behaviors, and clinical care all influence health.

Studying the state’s excess disease burden sets an aspirational but realistic benchmark.

Tennesseans’ health has a complex and mutually influential relationship with our economic prosperity.

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