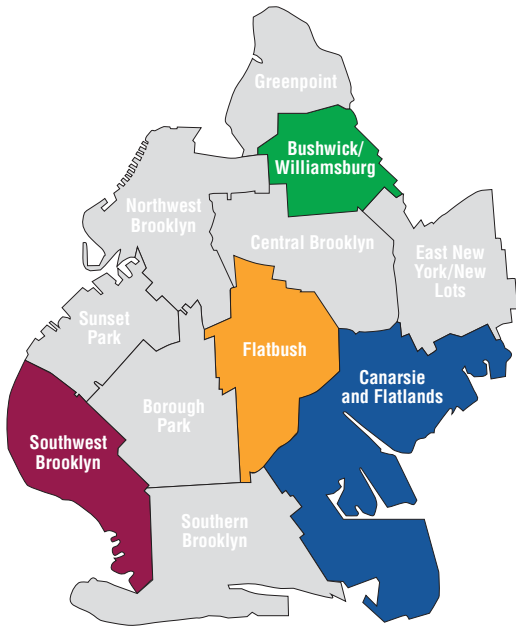


EXAMINING BROOKLYN'S HEALTH PROBLEMS, BY NEIGHBORHOOD

The Medicaid Redesign Team's Brooklyn work group noted that residents tend to rely on emergency rooms for their basic care, citing the fact that 46% of all ER visits in Brooklyn turned out to be nonemergencies. The work group blamed the overuse of ERs partly on residents not knowing when a situation was a true emergency and partly on the convenience factor, since nonhospital primary care during off-hours can be hard to find. This *Pulse Extra*, third in a series of four, looks at health data by neighborhood.



197,108
residents

CANARSIE/ FLATLANDS

Adults with no primary care provider **17%**

Adults who are obese **31.5%**

Adults who have diabetes **7.9%**

Residents who suffer from serious psychological distress **5%**

Mothers who got late or no prenatal care **28%**

Hospitalizations for heart disease **1,826** per 100,000 residents

202,549
residents

BUSHWICK/ WILLIAMSBURG

Adults with no primary care provider **32%**

Adults who are obese **34%**

Adults who have diabetes **12.5%**

Residents who suffer from serious psychological distress **10%**

Mothers who got late or no prenatal care **34%**

Hospitalizations for heart disease **2,991** per 100,000 residents

210,906
residents

SOUTHWEST BROOKLYN

Adults with no primary care provider **20%**

Adults who are obese **15.5%**

Adults who have diabetes **5.5%**

Residents who suffer from serious psychological distress **5%**

Mothers who got late or no prenatal care **15%**

Hospitalizations for heart disease **1,705** per 100,000 residents

307,274
residents

FLATBUSH

Adults with no primary care provider **20%**

Adults who are obese **29.8%**

Adults who have diabetes **13.3%**

Residents who suffer from serious psychological distress **6%**

Mothers who got late or no prenatal care **33%**

Hospitalizations for heart disease **1,605** per 100,000 residents

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