The Chariho Community Health Assessment was held at the Chariho Career and Technical Center on Wednesday, March 12, 2014. In addition to more than a dozen stakeholders from around the state, including Department of Health Director Dr. Michael Fine, 25 Chariho residents attended: 14 from Richmond, 8 from Hopkinton, and 3 from Charlestown. Residents were asked to name the health issues that most concerned them in their community. The full Chariho Community Health Assessment full report provides in-depth analysis of the residents’ health concerns.

### Most Commonly Mentioned Health Issues at Chariho Community Health Assessment

- Health care access and quality
- Public safety
- Access to health food
- Drug abuse
- Driving safety

### Specific concerns of community members:

- Access to specialty care is limited in rural communities
- Car accidents are a problem
- Lack of safe places to walk
- Lack of information about what public health services are available

Department of Health Director Dr. Michael Fine spoke with community members