Indiana’s health needs healing, with disturbingly high rates of obesity, tobacco use and infant mortality. The One Measure initiative encompasses numerous projects made possible in part by the IU Health Community Impact Investment Fund, a $100 million fund administered by the IU Health Foundation. Through One Measure, we seek to improve these troubling numbers with collaborative programs designed to improve health throughout our state as well as by building stronger neighborhoods, providing better job and skills training, and offering improved educational opportunities.

SPIRITUAL CARE AND CONGREGATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS PROJECT

LOCATION: Marion County and other select communities

IU HEALTH PARTNERS: IU Health Methodist Hospital, IU Health Bloomington Hospital

PROGRAM BEGINS: 2020

FOCUS AREA: Healthy Living

COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

- Center for Interfaith Cooperation
- Indiana Center for Parish Nursing
- QSource, CMS education and community outreach
- Indiana Consortium for the Study of Religion, Ethics and Society
- Indiana Clinical & Translational Sciences Institute
- Evans Center for Spiritual and Religious Values in Healthcare

IU Health is investing $1.37 million over three years to help faith congregations work with hospitals to care for those who are socially isolated and suffering from health issues complicated by depression, anxiety or loss. Partners from Marion County and Indiana’s south central region will care for those most in need of community and health services, with a goal of improving healthy habits and reducing emergency room misuse and hospital readmissions.

To learn more about the Spiritual Care and Congregational Partnerships Project, go to OneMeasure.org.