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Exploratory Learning

Think about something that has fired you up in your day-to-day clinical and personal experiences over the past couple of weeks/months.

Maybe something you read, heard, observed. Perhaps an interaction with someone that struck a nerve.

Perhaps it has something to do with a specific patient encounter, or perhaps a systems problem, or perhaps a neighborhood problem.

Ideas:

- 1. Dig deep into a health-related social problem you have seen a lot of lately ó housing, employment, access to affordable daycare ó and become the local expert.
- 2. Wh{ y ϕ v { avie $\sqrt{\text{family eat better/exercise more?}}$
 - * Do a home visit, or develop a community asset map for one of your patients, identifying valuable and accessible resources in and around their neighborhood.
- 3. Meet with one of your local legislators to discuss a topic of inspiration or concern.
- 4. Create a community resource handout/poster/video that you can share with patients/families at the end of an appointment.
- 5. Write an article on a community-based organization to be highlighted on the KidsøThrive 585 website, or facilitate an interview for the Thriving Forward Podcast.
- 6. Write a letter to the editor to the D&C or City Newspaper on a topic of inspiration.
- 7. Cteawe a õd v htaueö (ama u atv htaue), ewet we awe, t ui i at ÷ act øi EPIC v more efficiently and effectively disseminate information to your patients, document social issues pet vai i g v { wt avie wuhea vh, or make more meaningful referrals to community-based resources.
- 8. Attend and/or speak at a local legislative meeting.
- 9. Other ideas? Ask and yeø probably say yes.