Questions for Upcoming Research

Healthcare

What are the outcomes of at-home care vs. nursing homes for the elderly population? (Provide a statistical analysis and comparison of other states, examine outcomes from multiple areas including quality of life, cost, state oversight, etc) What is the admitting criteria for entrance and is admittance based on diagnosis or are there other considerations?

What are the current and projected long term care needs needs of Rhode Island’s elderly population? (Include assisted daily living facilities and the discuss the role, if any, of senior centers) Can this be translated to the number of nursing home beds and community services needed?

Provide an evaluation of Rhode Island’s opioid overdose prevention program. What have other states done to measure similar programs? What can be measured to determine effectiveness? Is there any preliminary data/studies from other states? What treatment programs have proven successful and why (i.e. community mental health centers)?

How can Rhode Island address some of the social determinants of health to improve outcomes for early childhood development?