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Envisioning Health Equity: 2018 & Beyond

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1. CHE Vision for Health Equity

2. Moving from Theory into Action

3. Opportunities to Partner

What is the Center for Health Equity?



MDH directed by Legislature in 2013 to prepare a report on Advancing Health Equity in MN

- 1. To provide an overview of MN's health disparities and health inequities
- 2. To identify inequitable conditions that produce health disparities
- 3. To make recommendations to advance HE in MN

What is the Center for Health Equity? (continued)

- Current evolution of former Office of Minority & Multicultural Health (OMMH)
- Established by the Commissioner of Health in 2013 to bring an overt and explicit focus to the efforts of MDH to advance health equity in MN.
- Works to achieve MDH vision of:
 - "Health equity in Minnesota, where all communities are thriving and all people have what they need to be healthy"

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CHE Mission

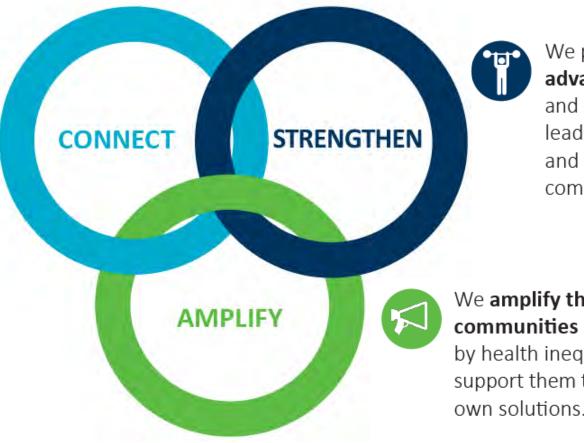
- <u>MDH's mission</u> is protecting, maintaining and improving the health of all Minnesotans.
- <u>MDH's vision</u> is for health equity in Minnesota, where all communities are thriving and all people have what they need to be healthy.

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CHE Mission (continued)

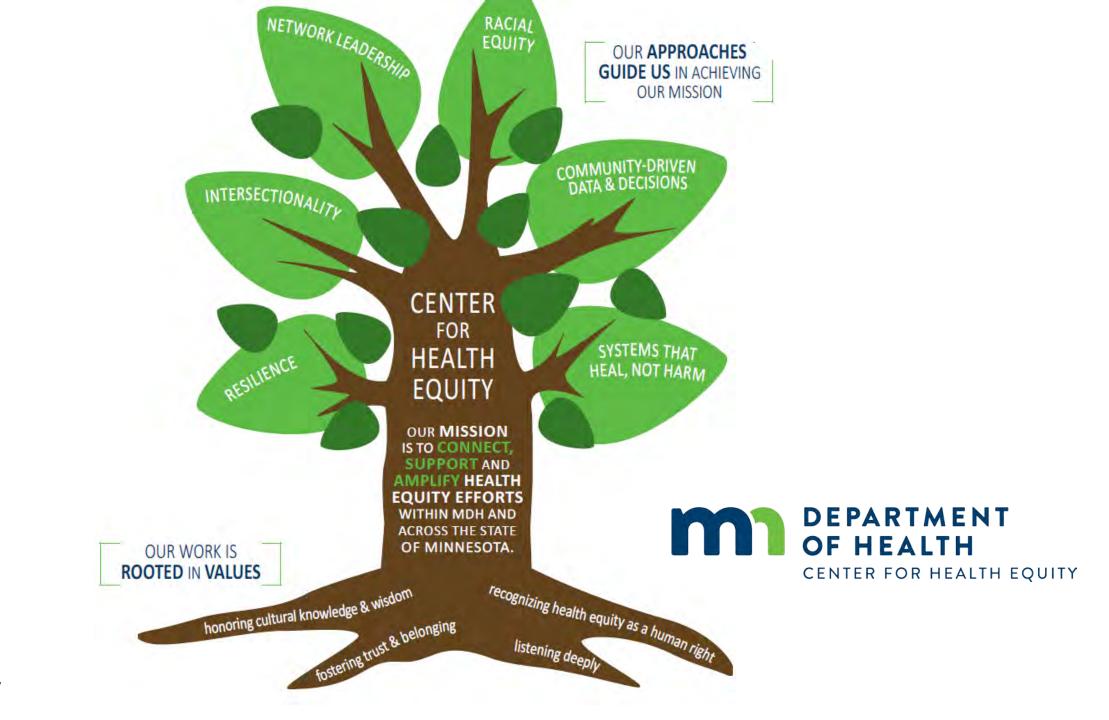
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We are a **network hub**, leading, connecting and strengthening networks of health equity leaders and partners across MDH and Minnesota communities.



We provide **leadership in advancing health equity** and cultivate health equity leaders within MDH and across Minnesota communities.

We **amplify the work of communities** most impacted by health inequities and support them to drive their own solutions.



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- Racial Equity
- Resilience
- Intersectionality
- Network Leadership
- Community-driven data & decisions
- Systems that heal, not harm

CHE Approaches (continued)

Racial Equity

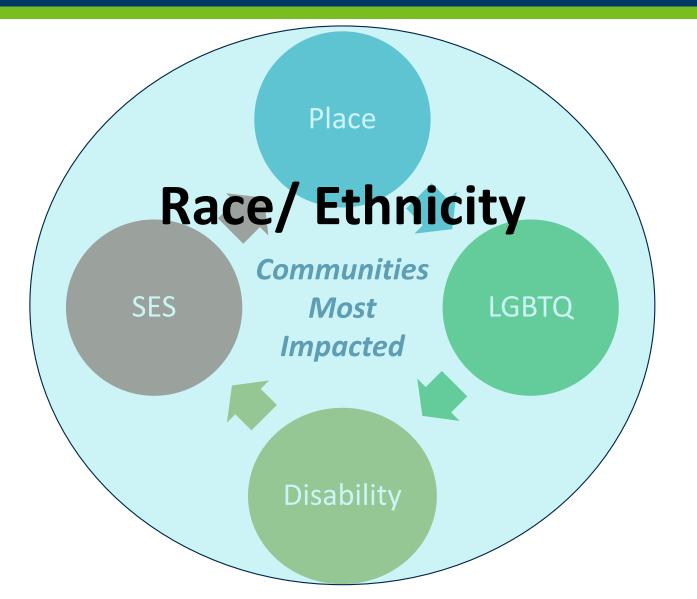
• No health equity without racial equity

- Link to Advancing Health Equity Legislative Report
- <u>Racial Equity Alliance website</u>
- Link to Racial Equity Tools website

Priority Populations



Priority Populations (continued)



Resilience

- Root of inequities tied to legacy of historical and intergenerational trauma
- Honor both vulnerabilities (risk-factors) & resiliency (strengths)
- Leverage strengths-based approaches to advance health equity

- Model of Historical Trauma for Public Health
- <u>Asset-based Community Development</u>
- Lesson on Historical Trauma
- MPR news story about historical trauma
- Link to a book about historical trauma

Intersectionality

- Holding multiple identities and lived experiences
- Individual, community & systems-level factors
- Yes AND...

- Intersectionality and Health Equity
- Health Inequities, Social Determinants, and Intersectionality
- <u>Webinar: Intersectionality and health equity: Exploring opportunities for public health practice and policy</u>
- Intersectionality-based policy analysis

Network Leadership

- Across and within communities, sectors and systems
- Adaptive, collaborative, inclusive

- <u>RWJF & LLC</u>
- <u>Culture of Health Equity website</u>
- Influencing a health equity agenda using a network leadership framework

Community-driven data & decisions

• Data collection, analysis & reporting grounded in community

- MDH Health Equity Data Analysis
- Voices for Racial Justice

Systems that heal, not harm

• Health equity in all policies in order to strengthen communities, not marginalize or divide

- Movement for a Regenerative Economy
- <u>Healthy MN Partnership</u>

CHE Values

- Honoring cultural knowledge & wisdom
- Fostering trust & belonging
- Listening deeply
- Recognizing health equity as a human right

POLL!

What do you think about our new mission/ values/ approaches?

- Amazing! Can't wait to partner with CHE!
- Intrigued. Would like to learn more.
- Unsure. It's kind of confusing.

Moving Theory into Action

MDH – Internal (Sara)

I-HEALTH – Internal Health Equity Advisory & Leadership Team Hub

- 1) Oversee implementation of <u>MDH strategic plan</u> to advance health equity within the agency
- 2) Streamline coordination of health equity activities, policies and projects across the agency
- 3) Foster greater collaboration amongst MDH divisions/offices around health equity



Sara Chute Asst. Director

MDH - Internal

Health Equity Community of Practice (HECoP)

- Share resources, challenges and successful practices
- Practice flexing equity muscles
- Add tools to toolkit



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MDH – Internal (Shor)

Health Equity Coaching & Training

- Coaching & consultation across MDH
 - Program assessment
 - Policy assessment
- Advancing Racial Equity training 1,500+ staff
- Health Equity E-Learning Curriculum



Shor Salkas Health Equity Planner

External (Helen)

Community Voices and Solutions (CVAS) Initiative

- Community-led, community-driven
- Shared leadership & decision making
- Cultural wisdom & lived experiences
- Leaders develop & implement long-lasting, sustainable solutions
- Impact policy & systems change



Helen Jackson Lockett-El Community Engagement Planner

Community Voices and Solutions



Link to view the list of 23 Members

Link to learn more

External (Mohamed & Bridget)

Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative (EHDI) Grant

- Established in 2001
- \$5 million in annual funding to improve health status of Populations of Color and American Indians
- Current grantee snapshot
- Grantee highlights



Mohamed Hassan Grant Manager



More info: http://www.health.state. mn.us/divs/che/ehdi/

Grant Manager

External (Bruce)

Health Equity Advisory & Leadership (HEAL) Council

- 25 diverse members across the state
- Advise Commissioner of Health and MDH on health equity strategy
- HEAL Council page on MDH website





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External

Training, Consultation, Connection

- Priority populations
- Non-profit organizations, community groups, FQHC's, clinics
- Health systems
- Schools/Universities
- Foundations/Funders
- Other government agencies; legislative workgroups; councils



Bruce Thao Director

SECOND POLL!

I'm interested in learning more about:

- MDH internal health equity efforts
- External health equity efforts

• Both!

Opportunities!

- 2019 Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative RFP
 Forthcoming Fall 2018
- Health Equity Leadership Network @ bushCON
 - Deadline to apply: May 2, 2018
 - <u>More info</u>
- Community Conversations
 - Link to request
- Health Equity Leadership Institute
 - Link to register
- Future webinars on CHE health equity approaches



2018 Health Equity Leadership Institute



Friday, April 27, 2018

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

TIES Grand Hall 1644 Larpenteur Ave. West St. Paul, MN 55108



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Goals of event:

- Examine the state of equity in Minnesota.
- Provide a space for cross-sector collaboration.
- Explore how intersectionality expands our ability to achieve equity.
- Identify actions needed to move equity forward.

Sponsors:

- Minnesota Department of Human Services
- University of Minnesota Medical School's Program in Health Disparities Research
- Minnesota Department of Health, Center for Health Equity

Link to register

THIRD POLL!

Are you interested in webinars on CHE health equity approaches?

- Yes! Where do I sign up?
- Not interested
- Prefer in-person workshops

Questions?

Connect With Us!

Emails, Phone Numbers, Request Form:

• Link to MDH CHE contact information

Center for Health Equity Listserv:

• Link to sign up for Health Equity Listserv

Additional Resources

- MDH Health Equity Resource Library
- <u>Health Equity Guide MN Case Study</u>
- MN Statewide Health Assessment
- Healthy MN Partnership



Thank you!