



AMCHP Title V Partnership Meeting: Session 3

Health Equity: Leveraging Relationships

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Focus

Leveraging existing relationships and developing new relationships with key stakeholders (community organizations, state agencies) to launch and implement different programs that have a health equity lens.

IDPH Health Equity Commitment

IDPH is committed to health equity and the elimination of health disparities in Illinois. The IDPH Health Equity Council affirmed this commitment by stating that

“All Illinoisans deserve to live long, healthy lives, free of modifiable differences in health status and outcomes.”

To advance health equity, must address:

- Address social determinants of health,
- Acknowledge that racism classism, sexism, and other longstanding social inequities exists and influence health access and outcomes.



Articulate how a proposed intervention strategy will improve overall health and advance health equity by reducing disparities and/or health inequities in disparately impacted communities.



Proactively identify any barriers or undue burdens the proposed **intervention strategy** may impose upon **disparately impacted communities** that would limit the effectiveness of the intervention strategy.



Ensure that members of disparately impacted communities are engaged and consulted in the planning and implementation of the intervention strategy.



Assess the intervention strategy's impact on disparately impacted community members over time.

HEALTH EQUITY CHECKLIST GOALS

Title V minimum standards for each priority

Have at least one ...

- Evidence-based program or strategy
- Mechanism for routine feedback from consumers, families and communities for guide decision-making and program planning
- Publication annually
- Program or strategy that is applying a health equity framework



Other State Agencies involved in MCH



Partners and Key Stakeholders



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How we leverage existing and develop new partnerships with a focus on health equity

Existing Programs

- Increasing Well-Woman Visits
- Breastfeeding Initiative
- School Based Health Centers
- Family Councils/Ambassadors

New Programs

- Holistic Birth Collective
- Health Economic Analysis

Future Initiatives

- Pediatric mental health care access*
- Safe Sleep
- Technical Assistance Workshops

Discussion Questions

- What type of technical assistance workshops have you conducted? What content have you included?
- What other ways are you engaging CBOs and bringing in people with lived experiences?
- WORDCLOUD – one word to describe how you are feeling about your organization’s ability/capacity to address health equity in its programs?
- Safe Sleep Initiatives – what have you seen beyond messaging/awareness campaigns that has really made an impact (overall or specific cultures)?