

Leveling the Playing Field:

How California Can Advance
Health Equity

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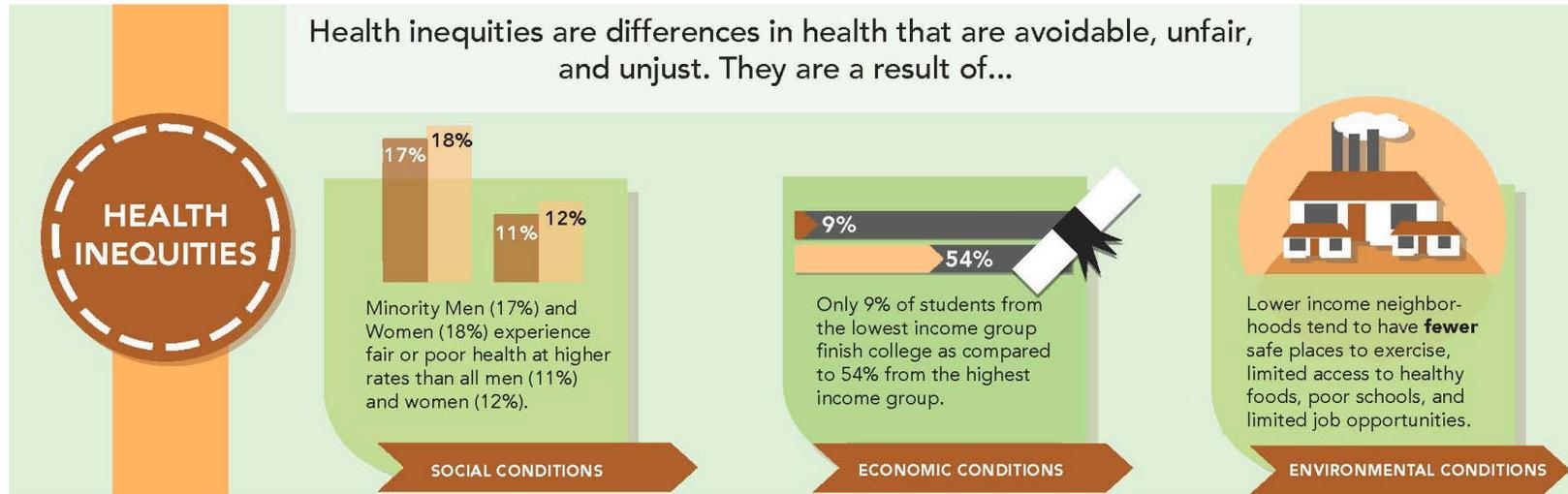
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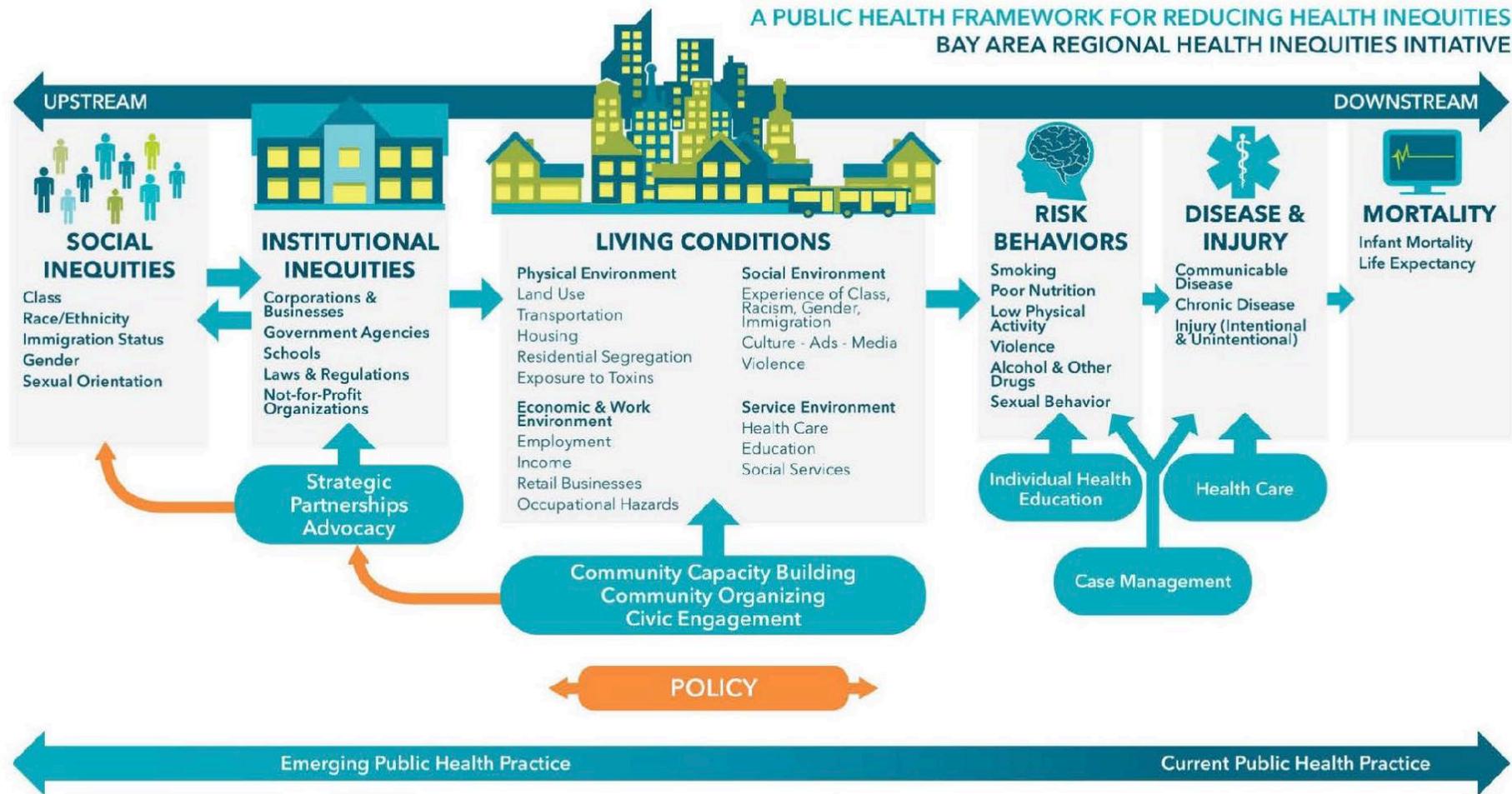
- *Health equity means that everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be healthier.*

- Source: Braveman P, Arkin E, Orleans T, Proctor D, and Plough A. *What is Health Equity? And What Difference Does a Definition Make?* Princeton, NJ: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 2017.

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How Do We Achieve Health Equity?

- -Policy and systems change
- -Investment in communities
- -Research and data
- -Narrative change
- -Power!



California Black Health Network

#HealthyBlackPeople. That's our mission and we're sticking to it. Part of that mission is the creation of a Black Health Agenda. In solidarity and coalition with our statewide partners we're gathering direct information about the health and well-being of African Americans, from African Americans. Once we're done, we'll publish an open source document to be used by any and everyone focused on, say it with me, **#HealthyBlackPeople.** Join us.



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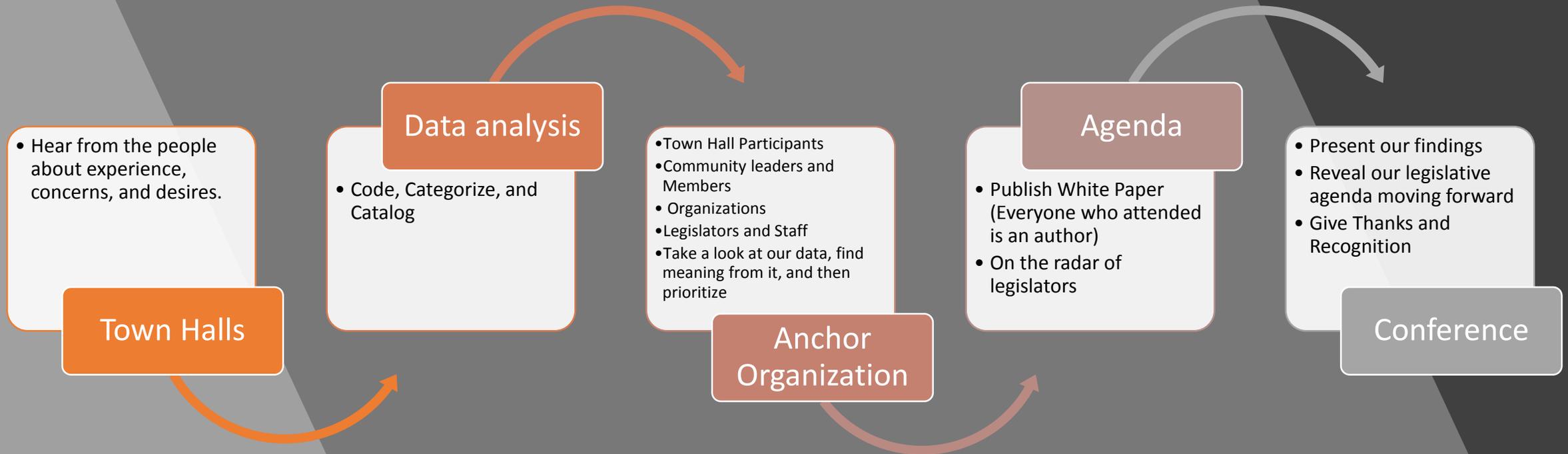


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CBHN's Health Equity Advocacy: Townhalls



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- Africans Americans are 6.5% of California's population. The toughest challenge is ensuring that the 'minority' voice is heard and heeded in health policy. Our strategy is two-fold:
- (1) Collect and carry the voice of African Americans through direct engagement in communities through out town halls and
- (2) with those direct lived experiences and insights we join coalitions with ethnic, racial, gender and economic groups to build a united voice to create policy that positively affects our community and communities in solidarity with ours.

What does health equity mean?

- **It means that Black people need more**, require more, deserve more when it comes to access to the highest quality health care.
- **It means the removal of structural racism**, macro and micro-abrassions as it relates to the care delivery, access to insurance, preventative and chronic/emergency care.
- **It means representing the entire Black community** including undocumented Black immigrants and the Black LGBTQ community.
- It means a focus on the social determinants of health including generational wealth, the lived environment (physical & social).
- **It means that Black Lives Matter so BLACK LIFE MATTERS.**

Last Year's Fight

- Three areas (1) The fight for universal health care and (2) the fight against the Trump Administrations sabotage of the ACA/Obamacare. (3) Prescription drug costs
- (1) We supported SB 974 (Lara) focused on expanding Medi-Cal coverage for 19-25yr olds regardless of documentation status. We advocated in solidarity w/ undocumented Californian's while adding the 30,000 undocumented Californian's of African descent into the conversation.
- (2) We supported SB 910 (Hernandez) which banned short term or 'junk insurance' in California, a product not aligned with the comprehensive insurance cover requirements of the ACA.
- (3) We supported SB 1021 (Wiener) – which capped a 30 day supply of prescription drugs to \$250.

This year's fight....

- **End Structural Racism/Implicit Bias** in Healthcare Systems (AB 2275 redux)
- **Focus on Black Women's Health** – Including maternal and infant health.
 - \$45 million in the budget for trauma screening connected to ACEs lead by the new Surgeon General Dr. Nadine Burke Harris
 - New Budget Funding for the Black Infant Health Program, Implicit Bias Training
- **Violence as a Public Health Issue** – From Domestic Violence to Police Brutality
- **A conversation about IVF/Fertility and Sickle Cell Anemia**
- **Overall Affordability** in Healthcare (Insurance, Premiums, etc.)
- **Oral Health** – Chronic cases of Oral Cancer in the AA community
- **Social Determinants of Health-** Health, Wealth, Justice, Education
- **“Lowest Performing Sub-Group Precedent”** – Weber's LCFF Bill

Questions for Dr. Williams: Legislation

- **[AB 2635](#)** (Weber – AD 79) **Finance: LCFF: Supplemental Grants: Lowest Performing Sub Group** (*Passed as Budget Language, signed by the Governor*) **Summary:** AB 2635 provided more funding for the lowest performing sub-group in K-12 education. Right now, that group is African Americans. **How would this bill impact African Americans:** This bill helps close the achievement gap for Black students by providing equity funding. Notwithstanding issues related to Proposition 209, this bill may have set a precedent for equity-based funding in health. Although the mechanisms for education funding and health funding are different, the precedent of equity-based funding could be translated into health and healthcare funding.

Southeast Asia Resource Action Center (SEARAC)

SEARAC is a national civil rights organization that empowers Cambodian, Laotian, and Vietnamese American communities to create a socially just and equitable society. SEARAC stands together with other refugee communities, communities of color, and social justice movements in pursuit of social equity.



Building power

Building Powerful Leaders & Advocates

- Leadership and advocacy training
- Leadership, Empowerment, & Advocacy Fellowship

National & State Policy Advocacy

- Immigration
- Education
- Health

Movement building

- Campaigns
- Equity Summit
- Leading coalitions and collaboratives



Who are Southeast Asian Americans?



- Political identity
- Immigrants and Refugees from Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam
- Lao, Khmu, Khmer/Cambodian, Cham, Vietnamese, Hmong, Iu-Mien



Model Minority

Japan Tops List of Healthiest Countries

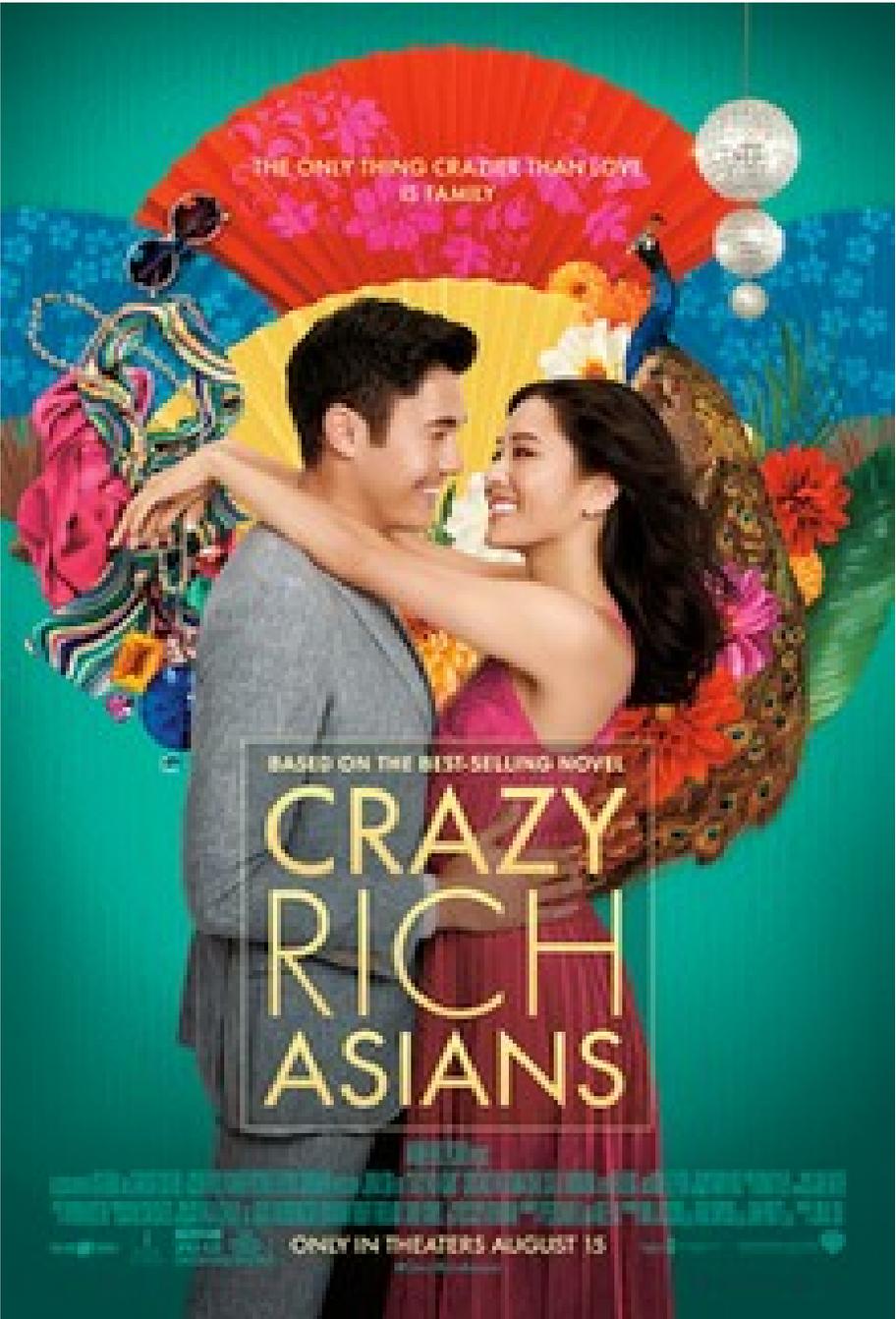
By ABC News December 13, 2012



Japanese citizens are still the healthiest people in the world, a new study found. (Image credit: Tomohiro Ohsumi/Getty Images)

“Japanese citizens are still the healthiest people in the world”
Reported by Dr. Lauren Browne:

No one knows whether it's their great diet, good health care or just great genes, but after two decades Japanese citizens are still the healthiest people in the world, according to a decades-long study on population health published today.



THE ONLY THING CRAZIER THAN LOVE IS FAMILY

BASED ON THE BEST-SELLING NOVEL

CRAZY RICH ASIANS

RICH & FAMOUS

ONLY IN THEATERS AUGUST 15

SEAA in California Landscape

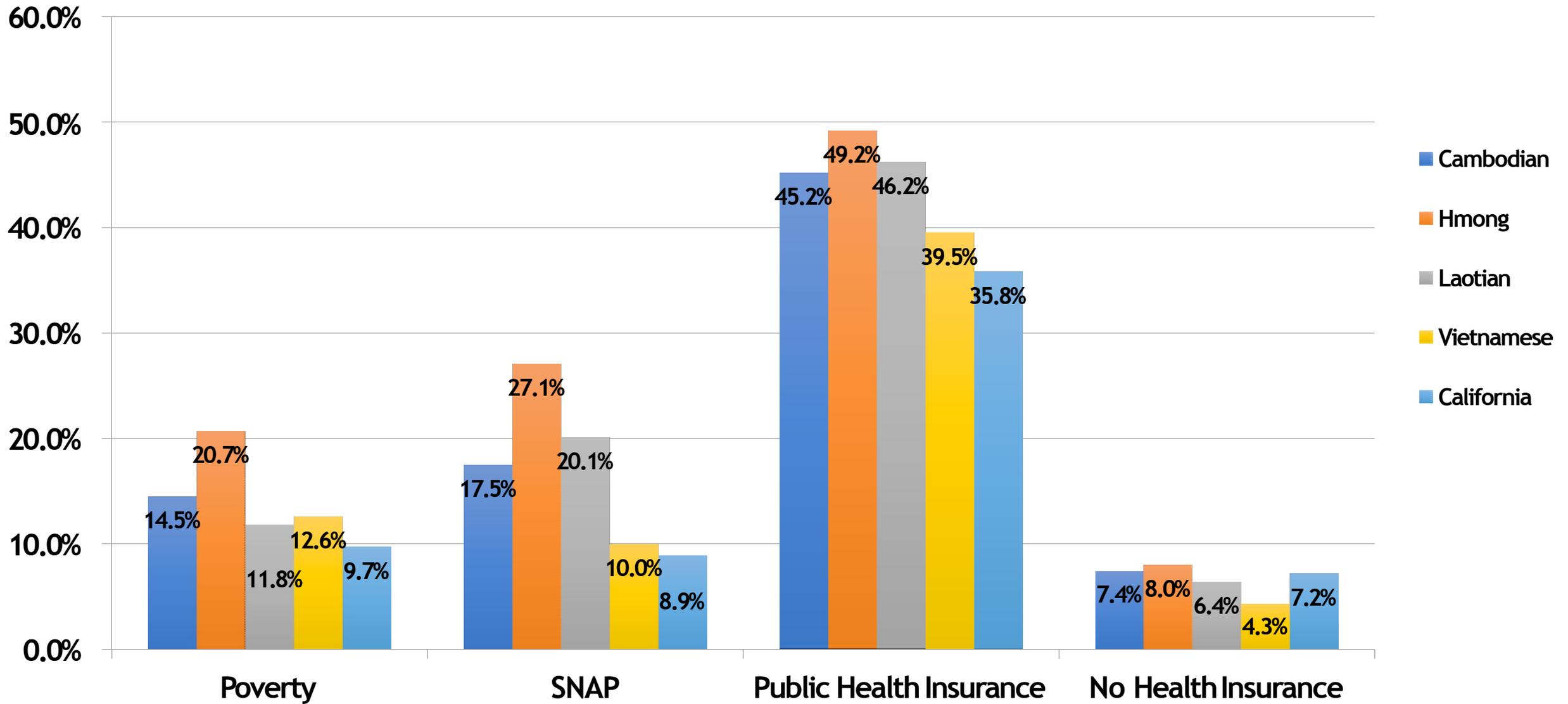


Table 1. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey, 1-Year Estimates

Percentage of SEAs who Speak English "less than very well" in 2017

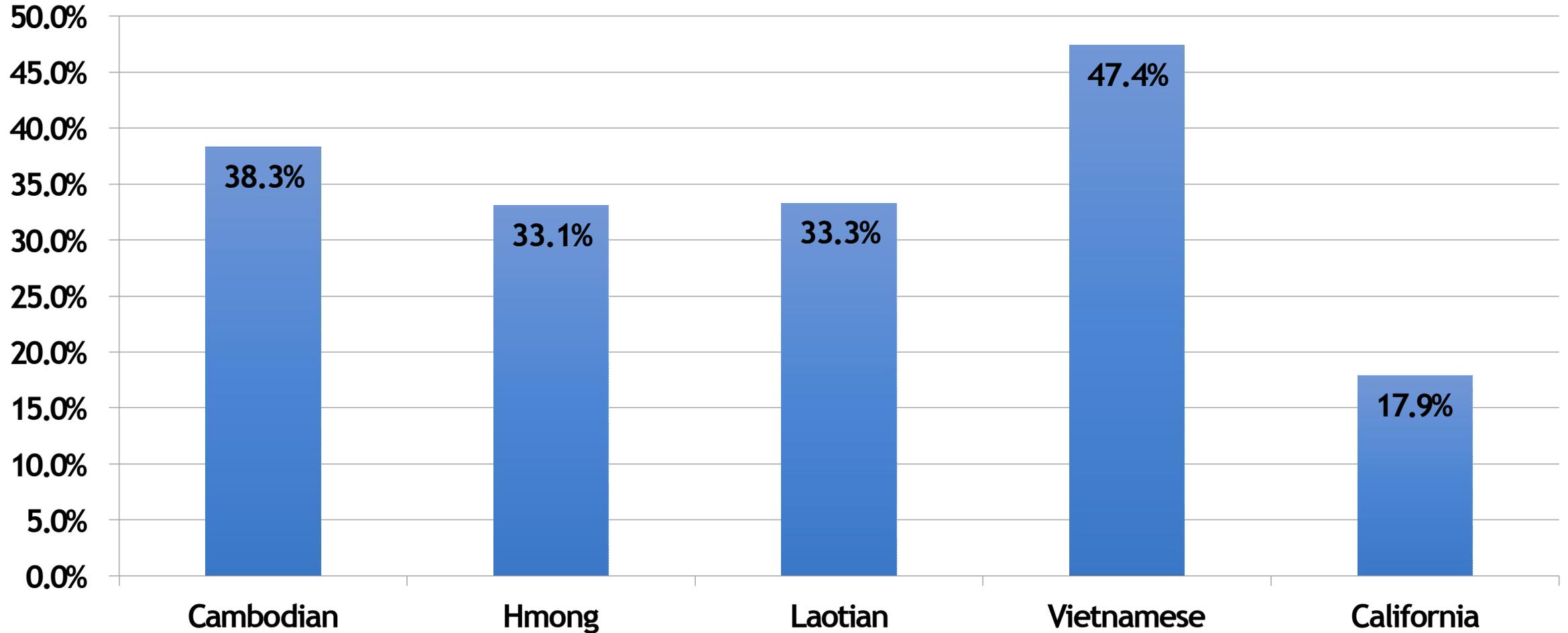


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What does health equity mean to your communities?



- Ensuring that our community can live, thrive, and age with care and dignity.

Challenges and Opportunities

1

Access to health care

- Supported the passage, implementation, and protection of the ACA
- Supporting Health4all



- Estimates: at least 416,000 Asians without legal status in California, constituting 15% of the state's undocumented residents

Challenges and Opportunities

2

Bad Data

- Sponsored **AB 1726** (2016) disaggregate ANHPI data DPH
 - Hepatitis B was acknowledged to be common among certain
- Protect disaggregate data wins

refugee groups, for example the Vietnamese, but was so prevalent in these communities that it was not seen as a ‘problem’”



Challenges and Opportunities

3

Lack of culturally and linguistically competent mental health services

- Cosponsoring **AB 512 (2019)** to address cultural competence mental health



	Older Cambodia n Adults	General Populatio n
PTSD	62%	3%
Major Depressio n	51%	7%



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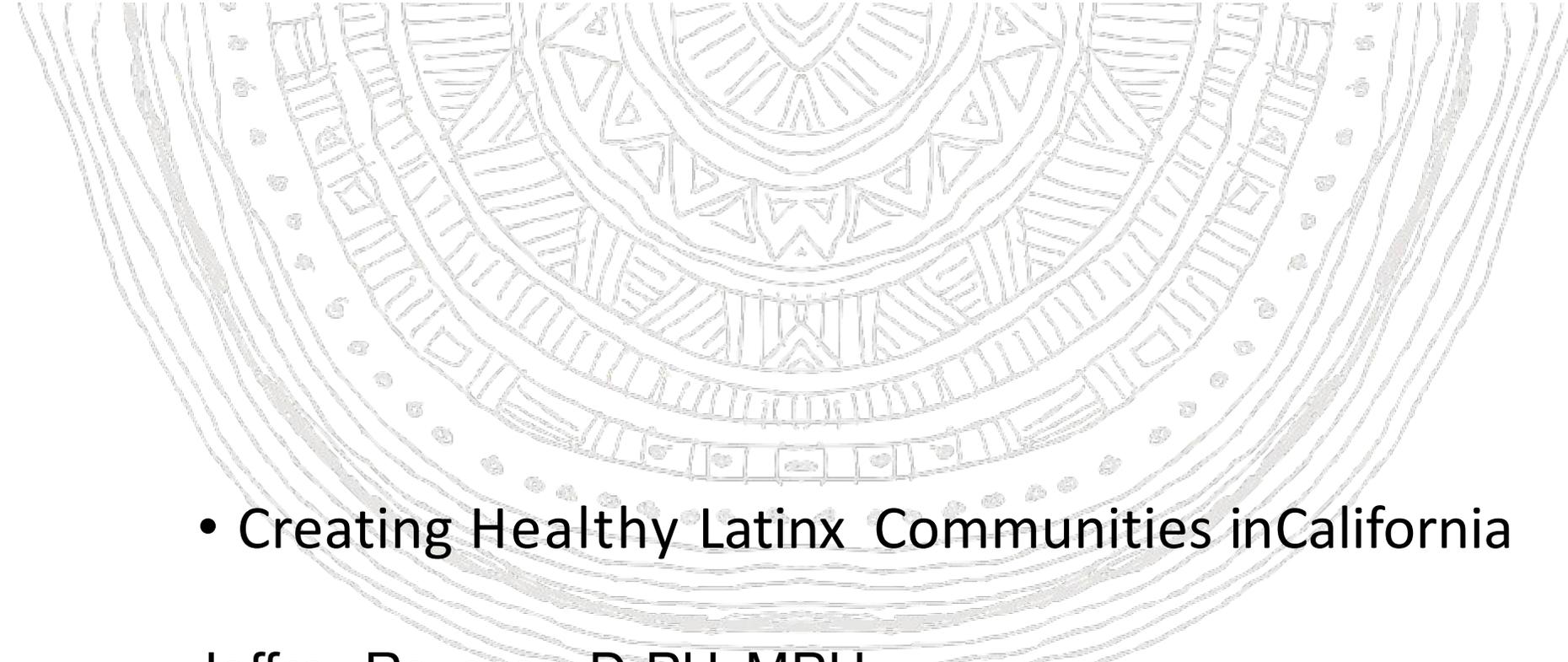
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- Creating Healthy Latinx Communities in California

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Latino Coalition for a Healthy California

Mission: To advance and protect the health of Latinos through policy and advocacy to create healthy communities in California.

Vision: Eliminate the inequalities that exist among Latino communities in California

Health Issue Areas: 1) Universal access to healthcare for all, 2) Building healthy communities, and 3) Health is a fundamental right of every human being



Healthcare Access



Healthy Communities



Health and Human Rights

Latinx Demographic Snapshot

40%

Of CA's 40 million residents

Live in LA County

41%

**&
52%**

Of CA's millennials & kids

28%

**&
27%**

Speak Spanish & are immigrants

8.5%

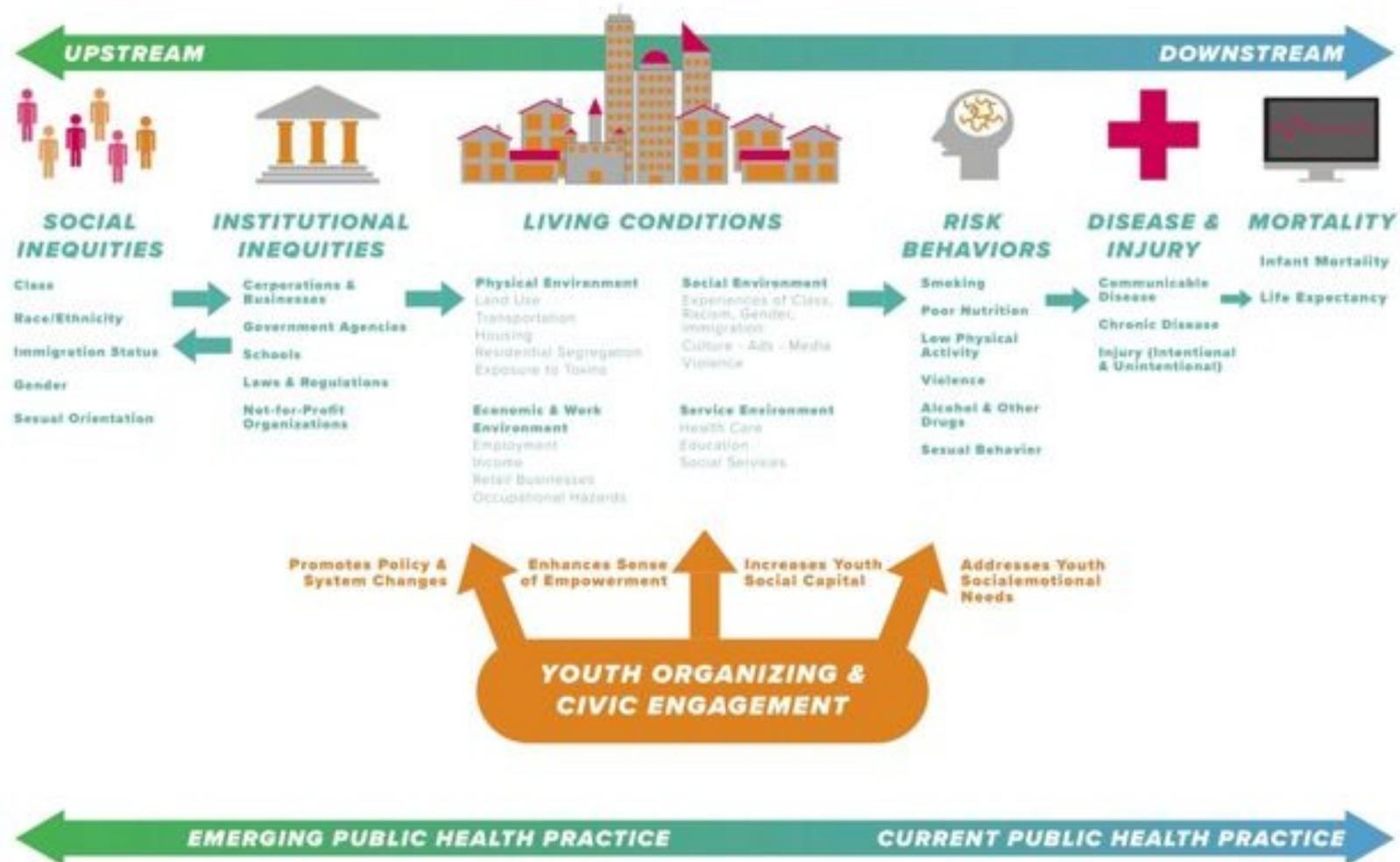
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90%**

Total & undocumented uninsured rates

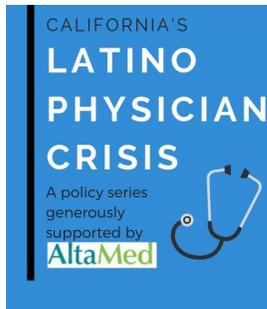
50%

Likelihood of Latino kids developing type 2 Diabetes

Health Inequalities Framework



Research Data



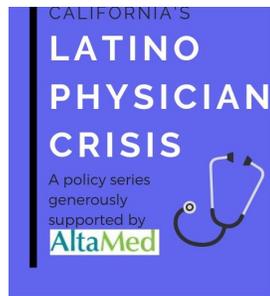
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5 Centuries to Reach Parity:

An Analysis of How Long it Will Take to Address California's Latino Physician Shortage



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The Current State of the Latino Physician Workforce:

California Faces a Severe Shortfall in Latino Resident Physicians

Towards Universal Health Coverage:
Expanding Medi-Cal to Low-Income Undocumented Adults



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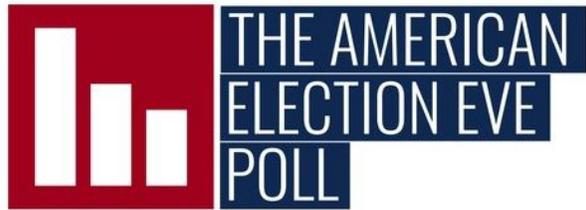
 The California Healthy Places Index (HPI)[™]
public health alliance of southern california A Partnership for Healthy Places



Community Data



Political Data



AAPI
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT FUND

ADVANCEMENT
PROJECT

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AMERICA'S
VOICE

APIAHF
ASIAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER
AMERICAN HEALTH FORUM

Demos

race forward
CENTER FOR
SOCIAL INCLUSION

National
Urban League

FAITH IN
ACTION

INDIVISIBLE

MIFAMILIA
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MOVE ON

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Congress
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Indians

SEIU

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STRONGER COMPANIES. STRONGER AMERICA.

Cafecito at the Capitol

Join us to learn about Latinx Health priorities for 2019

Tuesday, November 27, 2018
Capitol Room 125
10:00 am - 11:30 am

Come enjoy cafecito and pan dulce!

RSVP through eventbrite: <https://bit.ly/2JGMYnz>



LCHC Policy Priority Setting Process



Past Policy Successes

- **Universal Access to Healthcare for All**
 - Mental Health
 - Alzheimer's Study
 - Oral Health
 - Restoration of Medi-Cal dental benefits
- **Building Healthy Communities**
 - Affordable healthy food access in low-income communities
 - Healthy by Default Kids Drinks
 - California Nutrition Incentives Program
 - Pathways to living wage jobs in the healthcare sector for diverse communities
 - CA Future Health Workforce Commission
 - Protecting the natural environment and combating climate change
 - Prop 68
- **Health is a fundamental right of every human being**
 - Immigrant and refugee integration
 - SB 54 implementation

2019 Latinx Health Policy Priorities

Latinx Health Policy Summit 2019

Save the Date

October 3, 2019

California Endowment

Sacramento, CA



¡Gracias!
Thank you!

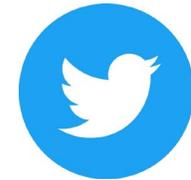
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