



National Collaborative for Health Equity

Our mission is to promote health equity by harnessing evidence, developing leaders, and catalyzing partnerships across the many different sectors that share responsibility for creating a more equitable and just society. Recognizing that action, leadership, inclusion, and collaboration are the basis for driving policy decisions, we strive to connect people most impacted by social and racial injustices and to transform systems and institutions built on the enduring legacy of racism, particularly its less visible – but more insidious–structural manifestations. In doing so we improve the health, well-being and life opportunities for communities of color.



Founded in 2014, the National Collaborative was established to promote health equity through action, leadership, inclusion, and collaboration. Health equity, in our view, requires creating the conditions that foster the best possible health for all populations, regardless of race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, or nativity. It requires us to actively measure and improve conditions for health and well-being, including those related to housing, education, income and wealth, and the physical and social environment. And it requires us to correct historic and contemporary injustices and inequities in these dimensions that are often brought about by racism operating at structural, institutional, and interpersonal levels.

OUR PROGRAMS

At the NCHE, our goal is to change the course of racial inequality and the health inequities that result from it. To that end, our variety of programs use many different methods to ensure that people of color have equal opportunity for healthy lives.



► Collaboratives for Health Equity (CHE)

Collaboratives for Health Equity (CHE), formerly known as PLACE MATTERS, is a national initiative designed to empower leaders and communities to identify and address social, economic, and environmental conditions that shape health and life opportunities.

Launched in 2006, CHE blazed trails as a national place-based initiative, focused on understanding the power of place through community engagement. 10 years later, in 2016, CHE is rebranded as a national community of practice committed to policy and systems change that advances equity. Our national center and 19 teams in 27 jurisdictions throughout the US are helping to build the capacity of communities and leaders using effective models of partnership, advocacy and engagement. Our work focuses on the development of strong multisectoral networks to share data, leverage resources, advance policy, and disseminate best practices, so every person has an opportunity to achieve optimal health.

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► Culture of Health Leaders

The Culture of Health Leadership Program will cultivate, train, and support leaders who represent multiple sectors as they lead communities, organizations, and the nation toward a Culture of Health. Specifically, participants come from a mix of established teams working to advance health equity (through collaborative partnerships spanning government, community-based organizations, businesses, faith groups, emerging multi-sector teams), as well as individual leaders who are highly motivated and prepared to forge partnerships for health across sectors.

Culture of Health Leadership Program is funded by a generous grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

► Health Equity Leadership & Exchange Network (HELEN)

The Health Equity Leadership & Exchange Network (HELEN) is a collaborative effort between the National REACH Coalition, Morehouse School of Medicine, and the National Collaborative for Health Equity.

HELEN is a national network designed to bolster leadership and the exchange of ideas and information among communities of color and other vulnerable populations relative to the advancement of health equity in laws, policies, and programs.

HELEN is funded by generous grants from DentaQuest, AETNA and WellCare.

► Health Opportunity and Equity (HOPE) Measures Project

The National Collaborative for Health Equity (NCHE) and the Texas Health Institute (THI), working in collaboration with the Virginia Commonwealth University Center on Society and Health (CSH), are working to create Health Opportunity and Equity (HOPE) Measures, a two-year project funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). HOPE Measures has two primary goals: (1) reframing the health disparities conversation in the context of health equity and opportunity and, (2) developing a set of broadly accessible measures that illustrate the gaps in opportunities that shape health outcomes.

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