What’s on the Horizon for Health Equity in 2020?

Bay Area Health Funders Group
2019 Bay Area Philanthropy Holiday Party
December 9 | 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Yerba Buena Center for the Arts | San Francisco

Funding Hate: A Philanthropist’s Guide to Prevention
December 10 | 10:00 am – 11:30 am
Webinar

Navigating Change: The Journey of Eight CEO’s
December 16 | 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Skoll Foundation | Palo Alto
Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Health Equity Policy Horizon
3. What – So What – Now What?
4. Next Steps
Meeting Goals

1. Gain a deeper understanding of health equity policy changes that have happened in 2019, and key policy opportunities in 2020.

2. Gain insight into how funders can engage in policy and advocacy efforts.

3. Identify next steps to support the successful implementation of new policies and the advancement of current health equity policy efforts.
Member Feedback

Health Equity & Networking

- Complex Care Needs
- Mental health
- Food Insecurity
- Oral Healthcare
- Policy
- Public Charge
- CA Wellness Trust
- Funder Collaboratives
- Leveraging Public Funding
- Evaluation
February 20, 2020
Public Charge

May 7, 2020
Mental Health

August 6, 2020
Successful Funder Collaboratives
Low-Tech Social Network

• Draw your avatar
• Write your name on the card
• Hashtag with two words for the health equity issues you’re interested in
• Post your avatar on the wall
• Draw lines to connect!
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Health Equity

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Advancing Health Equity in California

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CPEHN
CPEHN ensures health justice and equity are on the agendas of policymakers and that communities are leading policy efforts.

We build people power to educate and influence policymakers through lived experience and community expertise for better health equity.

We pass, change, and implement policies that reflect community needs for better health.

We invest in communities of color to build leadership, sustainability, and advocacy.

We connect data, stories, partners, and regions to build knowledge, relationships, and understanding across cultures.

To create equitable conditions that promote health equity and allow communities of color and all residents to thrive and prosper.
CPEHN’s long history of championing quality of care for communities of color, limited English proficient, and immigrant communities….
Overview

What changed in 2019?

What does the future of Medi-Cal look like?

What are CPEHN’s 2020 priorities?

How can we get there?
What changed in 2019?
Health Coverage

• Expanded Medi-Cal coverage to income-eligible undocumented young adults, up to age 26.

• Funded additional premium assistance in Covered CA.

• Implemented state-level individual mandate.

• Local, state and community response to proposed public charge regulation.

• Funded outreach, enrollment, and navigation.

Uninsured Rates Have Dropped Since 2013, Though the Share of Latinos Without Coverage Remains High
California Fully Implemented Federal Health Care Reform in January 2014
Delivery System Transformation

The ACA = Focus on the Triple Aim
But Disparities Overlooked

- Required implicit bias training for maternal health providers (SB 464).
- Implementing ACEs screening for children and adults in Medi-Cal.
- Required disparities data be tracked and reported for Covered CA health plans (AB 929).
- Citing cost concerns, rejected several equity proposals related to Medi-Cal including language access, quality improvement, asthma prevention and mental health.
Social Determinants of Health

• Focus on housing and homelessness, including statewide rent cap.

• Less emphasis on climate change, except for impact of wildfires.

• Focus on early childhood investments.

• Aging becomes a priority too.

Studies show that communities of color and low-income communities are more likely to live in areas with toxic waste including higher concentrations of contaminated water.
Future of Medi-Cal: CalAIM

DHCS Goals:
- Manage risk and need through Whole Person Care approaches and addressing the social determinants of health;
- Reduce complexity and increase flexibility in the Medi-Cal program;
- Improve quality outcomes and drive delivery system transformation through value-based initiatives and payment reform.

BUT...
- Funding uncertain;
- Medi-Cal program continues to experience serious access challenges and significant disparities;
- Focus on highest need members ignores the power of prevention.
2020: Key Strategies to Achieving Equity

- Improve self-reported collection/reporting of quality data by race, ethnicity and other sociodemographic factors
- Strengthen access to culturally and linguistically competent care
- Invest in primary care
- Strengthen care coordination
- Improve patient engagement
- Address the social determinants of health
## How Can Funders Help?

### Offer core support funding
- Support the underlying mission of the organization
- Help organizations try and fail and try again
- Builds trust and removes operational barriers

### Fund advocacy to help address systems change needs
- There are many forms – education to administrative advocacy
- Remember what most groups lack is political, social and economic power

### Consider long-term capacity building and resources
- Most efforts are long-term
- Many organizations are trying to address federal threats AND state opportunities
- Still many unknown factors at various levels of government
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What – So What – Now What

• What resonated from the discussions, and why is that important to you?

• What would it take for your foundation to start or strengthen their support for health equity policy efforts?

• What action will you take as a result of this meeting?