Uprooting the Structural Drivers of Health Inequity

Episode 1: Growing Policy Solutions for Improved Community Health

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What is ChangeLab Solutions’ Mission?

Healthier communities for all through equitable laws & policies
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Oxiris Barbot, MD, adjunct assistant professor at Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health and senior fellow for public health and social justice at The JPB Foundation

Cara James, PhD, president and CEO of Grantmakers in Health

Wendoly Marte, director of economic justice at Community Change

Moderated by Sarah de Guia, JD, CEO of ChangeLab Solutions

Speakers
Poll #1: Who is the primary audience you serve?

a. General public—national
b. General public – specific state, region, or county
c. Specific racial or ethnic communities (Black, Indigenous, or people of color)
d. Business leaders/ business sector
e. Low-income communities
f. People with disabilities
g. Immigrant communities
h. People who are incarcerated
i. LGBTQIA communities
j. Other (please share in the chat)
Poll #2: What is your primary issue/focus?

a. Public health broadly
b. Housing
c. Food and food systems
d. Health care
e. Criminal justice
f. Education
g. Planning and transportation
h. Tobacco control
i. Economic development
j. Other (please share in the chat)
What is Health Equity?

Health equity = “the state in which everyone has the opportunity to attain full health potential and no one is disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of social position or any other socially defined circumstance.”

(source NAS)
You say health equity, I say...

Fairness / Justice / Opportunity

The goal is for health equity efforts to be effective.
The Fundamental Drivers of Health Inequity

- Structural discrimination
- Income inequality and poverty
- Disparities in opportunity
- Disparities in political power
- Governance that limits meaningful participation
Poll #3: What barrier is your organization facing in your efforts to advance health equity?

a. Lack of shared understanding of health equity challenges in our organization or community
b. Lack of shared definition of health equity
c. Lack of buy-in from internal organizational leadership
d. Lack of trust or buy-in among the communities we serve
e. Political divisiveness within our geographic area
f. Lack of funding and/or staff capacity to move work forward
g. Lack of practical tools and guidance on actionable steps
h. Challenges with implementation or uptake of proposed solutions
i. Other (please share in the chat)
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Guiding Principles for Advancing Health Equity

- Engage Community Members
- Build Capacity
- Understand the Roots of the Problem
- Align Action to Solve Core Community Problems
Resources

Equitable Enforcement to Achieve Health Equity
An Introductory Guide for Policymakers and Practitioners

The Planner’s Playbook
A Community-Centered Approach to Improving Health & Equity

Long-Range Planning for Health, Equity & Prosperity
A Primer for Local Governments

A Blueprint for Changemakers
Achieving Health Equity Through Law & Policy
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Join ChangeLab Solutions on **March 30, 10:30 am PT** for Episode 2 (Employment)