



CCLHO HEALTH EQUITY WORKGROUP UPDATE

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OVERVIEW

1. Work Group Goals
2. Definition
3. Analyzing Legislation for Equity Impacts
4. Issues
5. Recommendation for Next Steps

1. WORK GROUP GOALS

- Establish a hub within CCLHO for advancing dialogue and understanding of Health Equity
- Define new processes within CCLHO to optimize impact in advancing Health Equity
- Create locus within CCLHO for coordination of equity-related work across agencies

First Tasks:

1. Define Health Equity
2. Design a Tool for Describing Potential Health Equity Impact of Legislation

2. DEFINITION: HEALTH EQUITY

The assurance of conditions for optimal health and well-being for all people and communities for both present and future generations.

3. ANALYZING LEGISLATION FOR EQUITY IMPACTS

- A. What is the disadvantaged community? Or does this bill unfairly disadvantage a particular group?
- B. Does the proposal negatively impact resources or opportunities vital to disadvantaged communities?
- C. Does the proposal positively impact resources or opportunities vital to disadvantaged communities?
- D. Does the proposal include adequate provisions to ensure the implementation and sustainability of the resources?
Provisions means funding, resources and/or other requirements necessary to implement legislation. An “unfunded mandate” an example of inadequate provision, as is legislation targeting a very limited population.
- E. What modifications in the proposal are needed to maximize equity and inclusion?

4. ISSUES IDENTIFIED WITH THE TOOL

- Tool good for analyzing impacts on health equity.
- But doesn't help prioritize legislation for review, which ones to analyze in the first place.
- Screening tool needed.

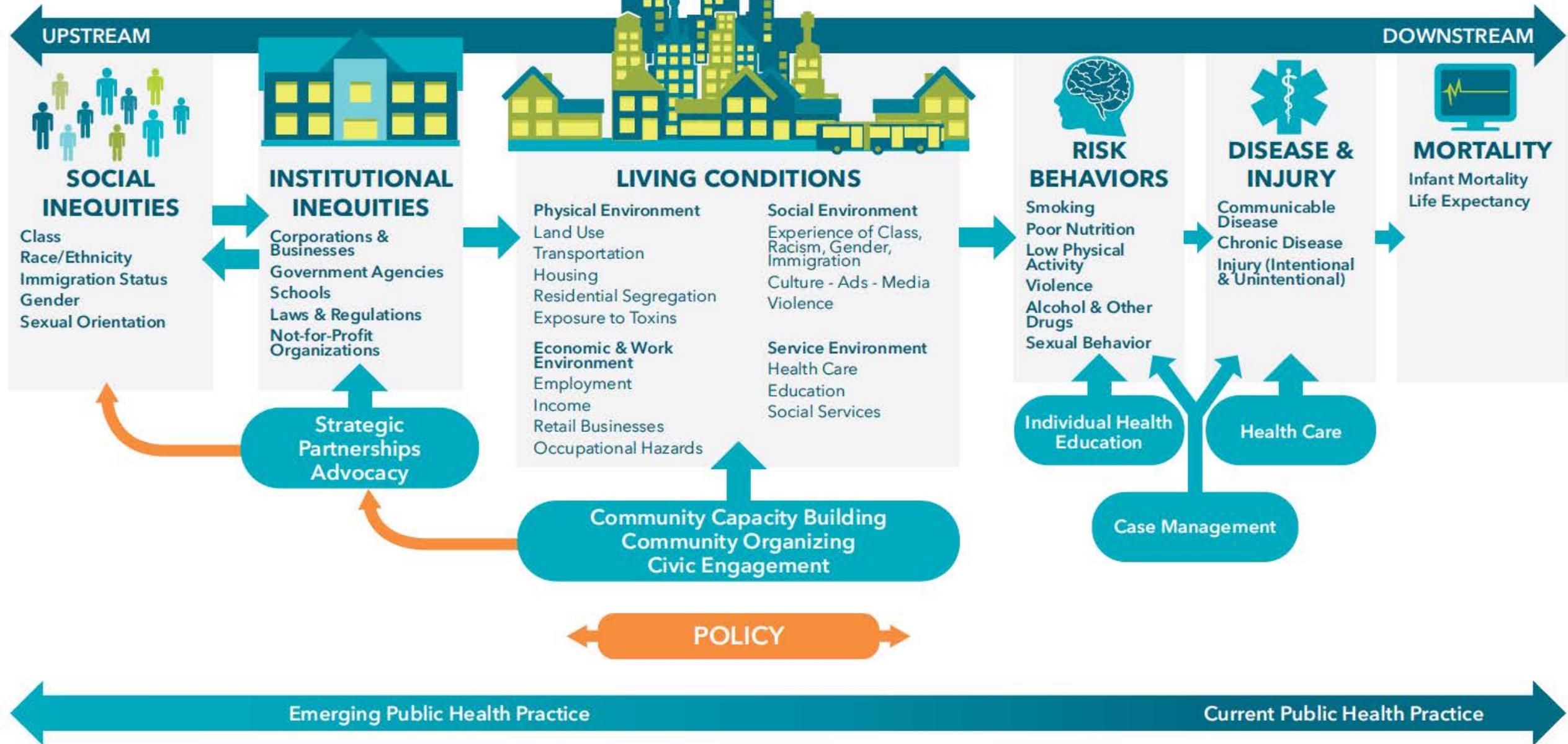
5. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEXT STEPS

- Look for commonalities among local health priorities. Prior survey asked:
 - Have you completed a Community Health Assessment?
 - What are your current priorities resulting from your Community Health Assessment (CHA) to improve the health of residents within your LHD?
 - If you have not completed a Community Health Assessment (CHA), what priorities are you currently working on?
 - And what are your highest priorities to start working on to improve the community's health within your LHD?

5. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEXT STEPS

- Look for commonalities among local health priorities.
- Identify the top 3 health priorities, such as clean water, obesity, influenza, etc.
- Use a health equity framework to assess each health priority.

A PUBLIC HEALTH FRAMEWORK FOR REDUCING HEALTH INEQUITIES
 BAY AREA REGIONAL HEALTH INEQUITIES INITIATIVE



SOURCE: Portrait of Promise: The California Statewide Plan to Promote Health and Mental Health Equity. A Report to the Legislature and the People of California by the Office of Health Equity. Sacramento, CA: California Department of Public Health, Office of Health Equity; August 2015.

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- Look for commonalities among local health priorities.
- Identify the top 3 health priorities, such as clean water, obesity, influenza, etc.
- Use a health equity framework to analyze each health priority, including social and policy context for its current status.
- Release a report on each health priority and recommendations for policy and practice solutions to improve it.
- Focus on analyzing legislation that supports those solutions.
- Pilot use of impact tool on select legislation for feedback and revision.



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