## Socio-Economic & Health Disparities: Improving Community Well-Being

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## Health

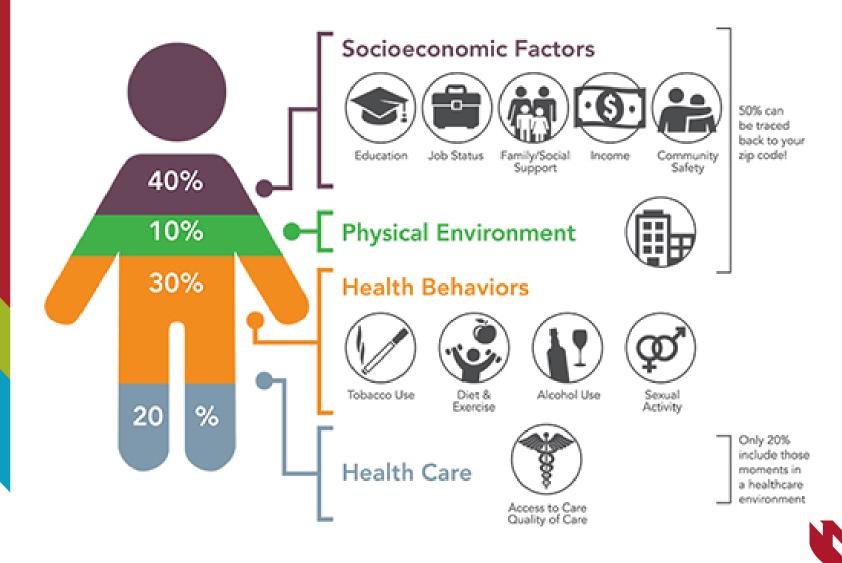
World Health Organization (WHO):

A state of complete physical, mental and social <u>well-being</u> and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.





## **Health Determinants**





## **Social Determinants of Health**

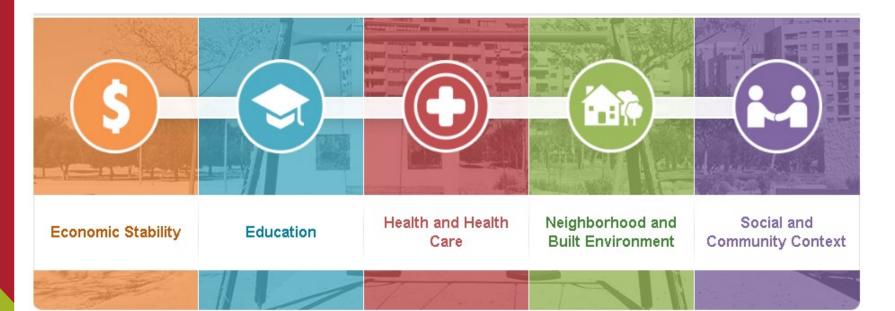
World Health Organization (WHO):

The <u>conditions in which people are born, grow,</u> <u>live, work and age, and the wider set of forces</u> <u>and systems shaping the conditions of daily</u> <u>life</u>. These forces and systems include economic policies and systems, development agendas, social norms, social policies, and political systems at global, national and local levels.

They affect a wide range of health, functioning, and quality of life outcomes and risks.



### **Social Determinants of Health**



Economic Stability Poverty Employment Food Insecurity Housing Instability

#### Education

High School Graduation Enrollment in Higher Education Language & Literacy Early Childhood Education

#### Social and Community Context

Social Cohesion Civic Participation Discrimination and -isms Incarceration Immigration Legal Status Social Mobility

Health and Health Care Access to Health Care Access to Primary Care Health Literacy

#### Neighborhood and Built Environment Access to Foods that Support Healthy Eating Patterns Quality of Housing Crime and Violence Environmental Conditions Neighborhood Density



### **Social Determinants of Health Data**

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AH-5.1 Students graduating from high school 4 years after starting 9th grade (percent) By Race/Ethnicity IEE

#### Year: 2013-2014 2020 Target = 87 1 Increase desired ▲ ▼ 100 80 60 40 20 American Indian or Black or African White, not Hispanic Total Hispanic or Latino Alaska Native, not American, not or Latino ▼ Hispanic or Latino Hispanic or Latino

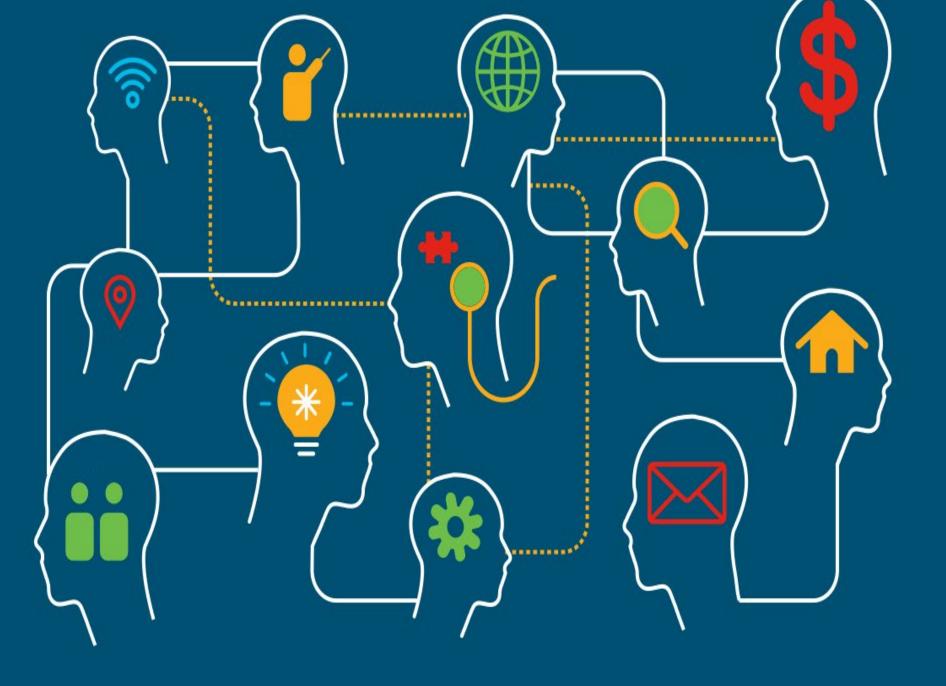
At baseline, 79 percent of students attending public schools graduated with a regular diploma in 2010–11 4 years after starting 9th grade. The target is 87 percent, based on a target-setting method of 10 percent improvement.

Data Source: Common Core of Data (CCD), ED/NCES

Note: Further information about the data used to track this objective is available on the <u>Data Details</u> page. Additional footnotes may apply to the objective data and to the population subgroups, if any, that appear in this National Snapshot.

https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/topics-objectives/topic/social-determinants-of-health





# **Economic Disparities**

Economic disparities include how economic variables are distributed—among individuals in a group or among groups in a population.

There are disparities in both:

- outcomes
- opportunity

#### The Washington Post

Economic Policy • Analysis

Wealth concentration returning to 'levels last seen during the Roaring Twenties,' according to new research

### The 400 richest Americans now own more than the bottom 150 million

Share of American wealth owned by the 400 richest Americans

Share of American wealth owned by the bottom 60% (150 million in 2016)



(Christopher Ingraham/The Washington Post) (Illustration by Christopher Ingraham for the Washington Post/Illustration by Christopher Ingraham for the Washington Post)





## **EXAMPLE:** Children Living in Poverty

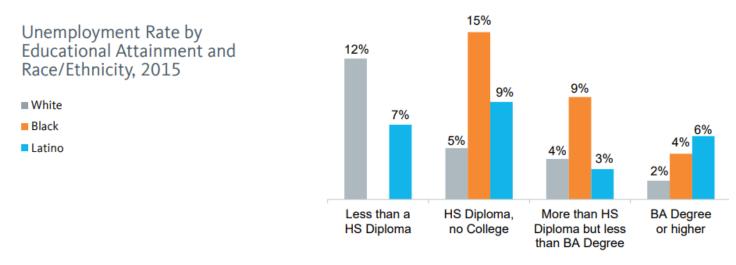
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## **EXAMPLE: Economic Disparities**

### Full employment

Do racial inequities in employment persist after controlling for education?

**Unemployment decreases as educational attainment rises, but racial gaps remain**. Black workers are two to three times as likely to be unemployed as their White counterparts across education levels. Latinos with very low education have lower unemployment than their White counterparts.



Source: IPUMS. Universe includes the civilian noninstitutional population ages 25 through 64.

Note: Unemployment for Blacks with less than a HS diploma is excluded because of a small sample size. Data represents a 2011 through 2015 average.

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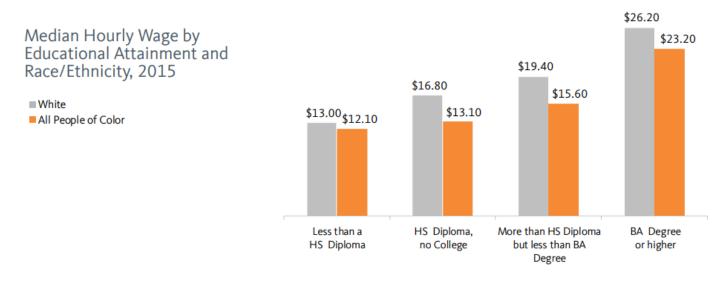
## **EXAMPLE: Economic Disparities**

### Access to good jobs

Can all workers earn a living wage?

#### People of color earn lower wages than Whites at every

**education level**. People of color with college and graduate degrees still earn \$3/hour less than their White counterparts. People of color with a high school diploma but no college earn nearly \$4/hour less than their White counterparts.





Source: IPUMS. Universe includes civilian noninstitutional full-time wage and salary workers ages 25 through 64. Note: Data represents a 2011 through 2015 average. Values are in 2015 dollars.

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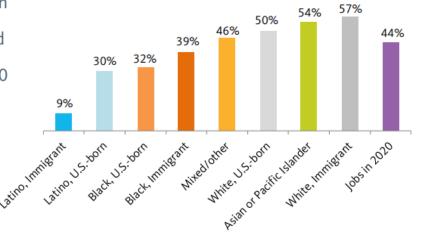
### Skilled workforce

Do workers have the education and skills needed for the jobs of the future?

### Some of the fastest-growing segments of the region's workforce lack the education levels required for the jobs of

**the future.** By 2020, an estimated 44 percent of jobs will require at least an associate's degree. Yet, only 30 percent of U.S.-born Latinos, 32 percent of U.S.-born Blacks, and 9 percent of Latino immigrants have that level of education.

Share of Working-Age Population with an Associate's Degree or Higher by Race/Ethnicity and Nativity, 2015 and Projected Share of Jobs That Require an Associate's Degree or Higher, 2020





Source: Georgetown Center for Education and the Workforce; IPUMS. Universe for education levels of workers includes all persons ages 25 through 64. Note: Data for 2015 by race/ethnicity/nativity represents a 2011 through 2015 average and is at the regional level; data on jobs in 2020 represents a regional job-weighted average of state-level projections for Nebraska and Iowa.

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# **Health Disparities**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

A particular type of <u>health difference</u> that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage that adversely affects groups of people who have systematically experienced greater obstacles to health based on:

- Race or ethnicity
- Religion
- Socioeconomic status
- Gender
- Age
- Mental health

- Cognitive, sensory, or physical ability
- Sexual orientation or gender identity
- Geographic location
- Other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion

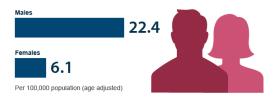


# **EXAMPLE: Health Disparities**

#### **Mental Health**

#### Suicide Rate by Sex, 2017

In 2017, females had a lower suicide rate than males. The rate for males was more than 3.5 times the rate for females.



Data source: National Vital Statistics System–Mortality (NVSS–M), CDC/NCHS; Bridged-race Population Estimates, CDC/NCHS and Census.

#### **Healthy People 2020 Targets**

#### Suicides

In 2017, there were 14.0 suicides per 100,000 population (age adjusted).

Data source: National Vital Statistics System–Mortality (NVSS–M), CDC/NCHS; Bridged-race Population Estimates, CDC/NCHS and Census.



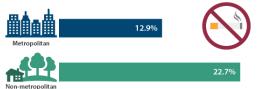
**4** 27.1% decrease needed.



#### Tobacco

#### Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults by Metropolitan Status, 2017

Among adults aged 18 years and over, age-adjusted rates of current cigarette smoking were higher among adults living in non-metropolitan areas.



Data source: National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), CDC/NCHS

#### **Healthy People 2020 Targets**

#### Adult Cigarette Smoking

In 2017, 14.1% of adults aged 18 years and over were current cigarette smokers (age adjusted).

Data source: National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), CDC/NCHS.

#### 12.0% 2020 Target 2017

14.1%







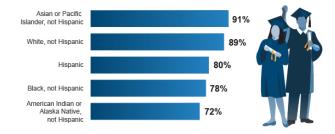
Office of Disease Prevention & Health Promotion. https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/leading-health-indicators/LHI-Infographic-Gallery

# **EXAMPLE: Health Disparities**

#### Social Determinants

### On-Time High School Graduation Rates by Race/Ethnicity, 2016–17 School Year

On-time high school graduation rates, defined as the percentage of students awarded a high school diploma within 4 years of starting 9th grade, varied among racial and ethnic groups in the 2016–17 school year.



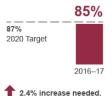
Data source: Common Core of Data (CCD), ED/NCES.

#### Healthy People 2020 Target

#### **On-Time High School Graduation Rate**

In the 2016–17 school year, 85% of students attending public schools graduated with a regular diploma within 4 years of starting 9th grade.

Data source: Common Core of Data (CCD), ED/NCES.



#### LHI February 2019

HealthyPeople.gov

#### **Access to Health Services**

### Persons with Health Insurance by Educational Attainment, 2017

For persons aged 25–64 years, the health insurance rate for those with an advanced degree was 44.2% higher than the rate for those without a high school education.

#### 96.9% Advanced degree

67.3% Less than high school

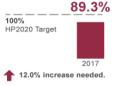


Data source: National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), CDC/NCHS.

#### **Healthy People 2020 Targets**

#### Persons with Health Insurance

In 2017, 89.3% of persons aged less than 65 years had health insurance. Data source: National Health Interview Survey (NHIS),



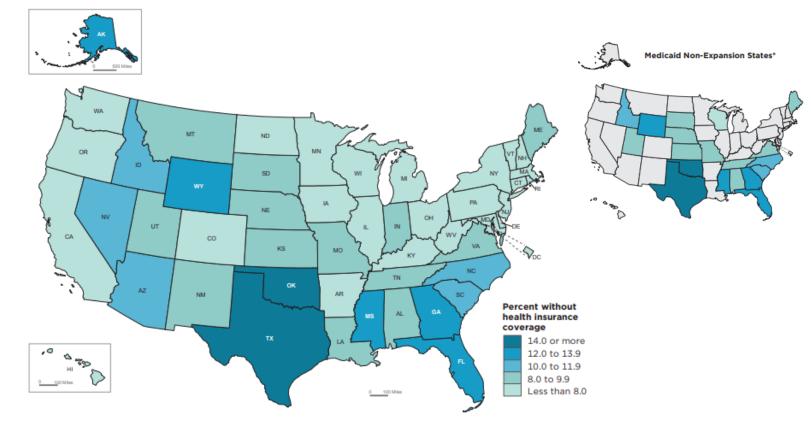
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CDC/NCHS

## EXAMPLE: Uninsured Rate by State, 2017





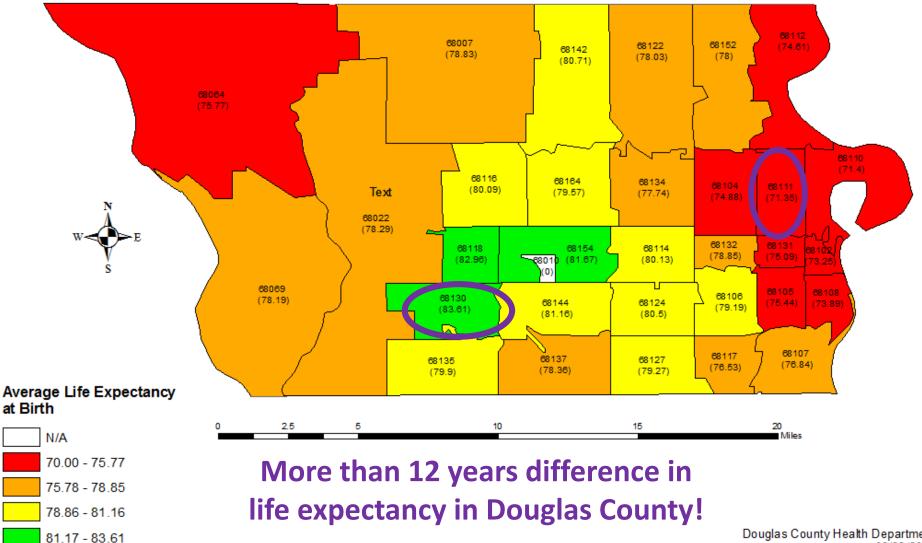
U.S. Census Bureau. (2018). *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2017.* https://www.census.gov/content/dam/Census/library/publications/2018/demo/p60-264.pdf



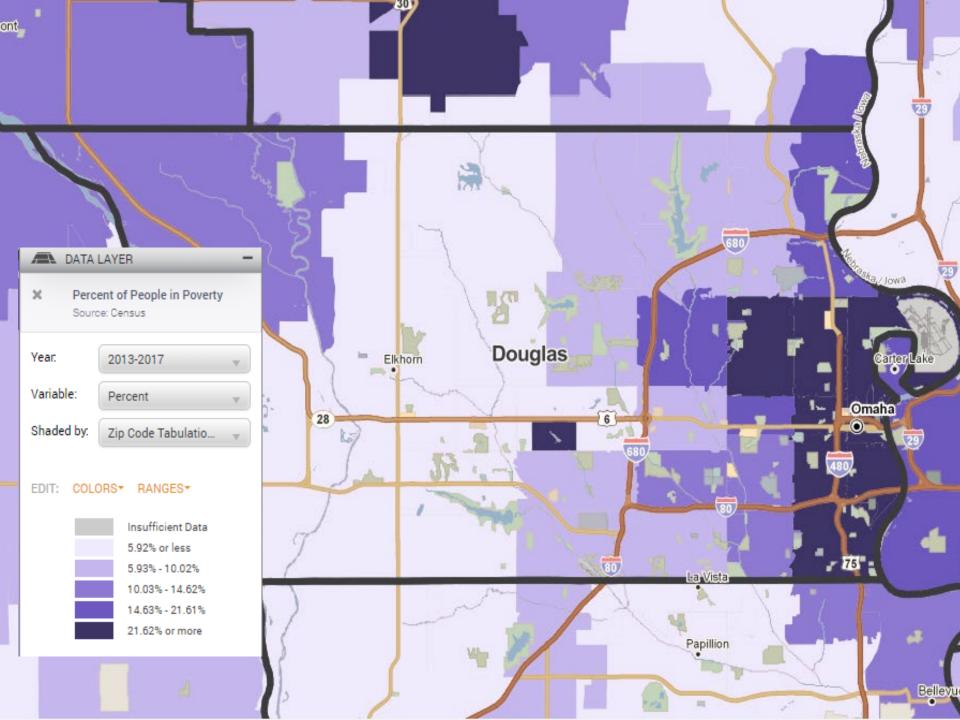
### 2011-2015 Average Life Expectancy at Birth By Zip Code

Douglas County, NE

Overall Life Expectancy at Birth is 78.11



Douglas County Health Department 02/28/2017



# **Health Equity**





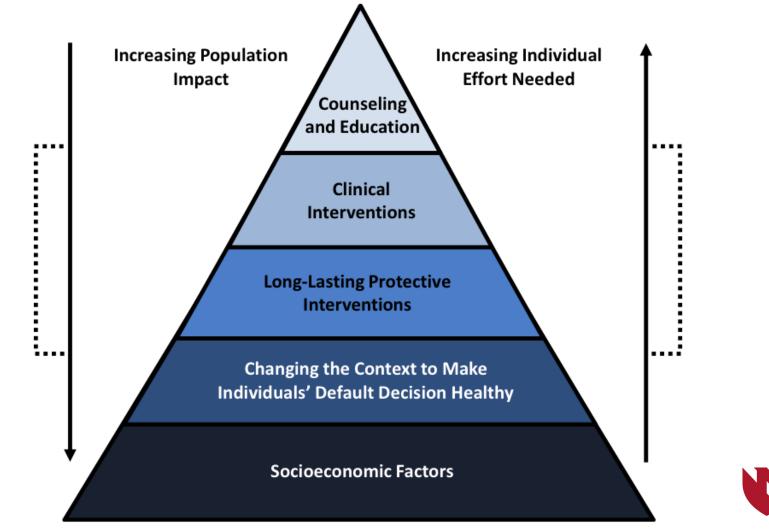
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Achieving health equity. https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/features/achieving-health-equity.html

# **Reframe the Questions**

Instead of only asking:	We should also ask:
Why do people smoke?	What social conditions and economic policies predispose people to environments that encourage smoking?
Who lacks healthcare insurance coverage and why?	What policy changes would redistribute healthcare resources more equitably?
How do we connect isolated individuals to social supports?	What institutional policies and practices maintain isolation rather than counteract it by building strong social support networks?
How can we create more parks, bike lines, and farmers' markets in vulnerable neighborhoods?	What policies and practices do not allow or discourage access to recreational spaces, transportation resources, and healthy food in neighborhoods where health is the poorest?



### Improving Public Health Initiatives and Practices



Frieden, T.R. (2010). A framework for public health action: The health impact pyramid. American Journal of Public Health, 100(4), 590–595.

# "Health is a resource for everyday life, not the objective of living."

- WHO, Ottawa Charter for Health Promotion, 1986



## Addressing the Social Determinants of Health





National Academies. Communities in Action: Pathways to Health Equity

# **Effective Approaches**

"There is sufficient evidence to support policy interventions that focus on the social determinants of health..."

- Education and Early Childhood
- Urban Planning and Community Development
- Housing
- Income Supplements
- Employment Interventions

"Social determinant-related interventions designed to create structural changes must be coordinated with long-term efforts to change social and cultural norms, build on existing community strengths, and change the opportunity costs associated with healthy behaviors to make the healthy choice the default choice."



Thornton, R.L., Glover, C.M., Cené, C.W., Glik, D.C., Henderson, J.A., & Williams, D.R. (2016). Evaluating strategies for reducing health disparities by addressing the social determinants of health. *Health Affairs*, *35*(8), 1416–1423.

# Policies?? A Health Intervention YES!!!

### Policies that may impact the social determinants of health include:

- Minimum wage
- Zoning
- Density
- Rental housing inspections
- Environmental protections
- SNAP, WIC, SSI, TANF
- Free and reduced school lunch
- Multi-modal connectivity





Housing policy = health policy Economic policy = health policy Civil rights policy = health policy Social policy = health policy Education policy = health policy

### ALL POLICY THAT AFFECTS HEALTH IS HEALTH POLICY.

# Activity

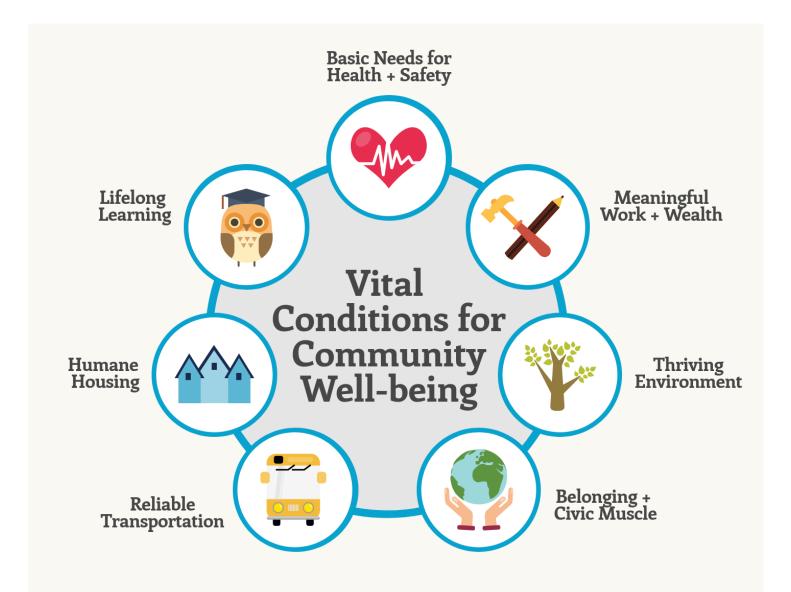
Let's break up into small groups (ideally with people who you do not regularly work with ③)

- 1. What disparities or inequities do you see in your local community?
- 2. What factors might contribute to these disparities? Where is it that we can intervene to help people who suffer from poor health or those struggling to get by?

Within your small group, brainstorm how your community could be improved...how can it become <u>one that promotes health and well-being</u>:

- What does your community need in order to be healthy, equitable, and cohesive?
- What are the assets that currently exist that could be used to promote well-being? What types of resources are needed? What kinds of programs should there be? Why?
- What types of policies should be implemented or revised? Why?
- What additional data or research may be necessary?







### **TOOL: County Health Rankings** <u>https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/</u>



#### Find Strategies by Topic

Health Behaviors	Clinical Care	Social & Economic Factors	Physical Environment
<ul> <li>Alcohol and Drug Use</li> <li>Diet and Exercise</li> <li>Other Health Behaviors</li> <li>Sexual Activity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Access to Care</li> <li>Quality of Care</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Community Safety</li> <li>Education</li> <li>Employment</li> <li>Family and Social Support</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Air and Water Quality</li> <li>Housing and Transit</li> </ul>
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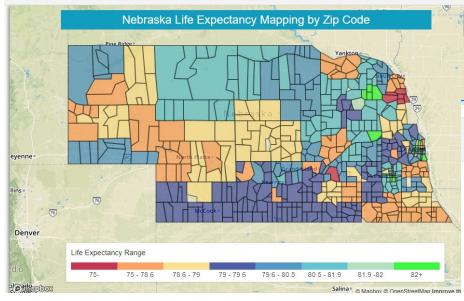


## **TOOL: Life Expectancy Calculator**

#### University of Nebraska Medical Center

#### COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH | CENTER OF REDUCING HEALTH DISPARITIES LIFE EXPECTANCY CALCULATOR FOR ADULT NEBRASKANS

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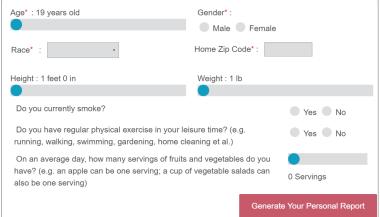


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#### HEALTHY LIFE STYLE HELPS YOU LIVE LONGER





### https://publichealth.unmc.edu/lec/#

# **Data & Mapping Resources**

500 Cities (CDC)

**Broad Street** 

**Census** 

**Community Commons** 

**Community Need Index** 

County Health Rankings and Roadmaps

Healthy People

Heartland 2050 Equity Profile

**Opportunity Index** 

<u>PolicyMap</u>

RWJF Data Across Sectors for Health (AllinData - or - DASH)





## Review

#### The SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH are...

the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age, and the wider set of forces and systems shaping the conditions of daily life.

#### The SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH include things like...

- Education
- Income
- Social and community context
- Neighborhood and built environment

Data and appropriate research are needed to drive programming, service delivery, and policy change that is relevant and responds to community concerns.

### There are a number of ways that SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH can be incorporated into what we do such as...

- Consistent assessments (e.g., incorporate into EHR systems)
- Strong referral system to address social needs
- Ensure outreach and education efforts address social and structural determinants of health (e.g., culturally and linguistically appropriate information, historical context, etc.)
- Develop partnerships with community and neighborhood organizations
- Advocacy, monitoring, and policy change



# **Questions?**

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