Utah Department of Health diabetes programs have cultural competency gaps for Hispanics.



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Background

- **Hispanics** are disproportionately affected by diabetes.
- The Utah Department of Health facilitates programs to prevent and manage diabetes.



Objectives

Identify cultural competency gaps in Utah Department of Health diabetes programs for the Hispanic population.



Highlight evidence-based strategies to address key gaps.

Methods



Critical examination of website content and educational materials

Interviews with Utah Department of Health staff

Application of a cultural competency evaluation framework (figure 1)



Figure 1: Categories of cultural competency strategies





Implementing cultural competency strategies can help reduce health disparities.

Results



Linguistic

• Limitations in the availability of resources provided in Spanish



Sociocultural

 Lack of resources discussing diabetes within social context and cultural characteristics

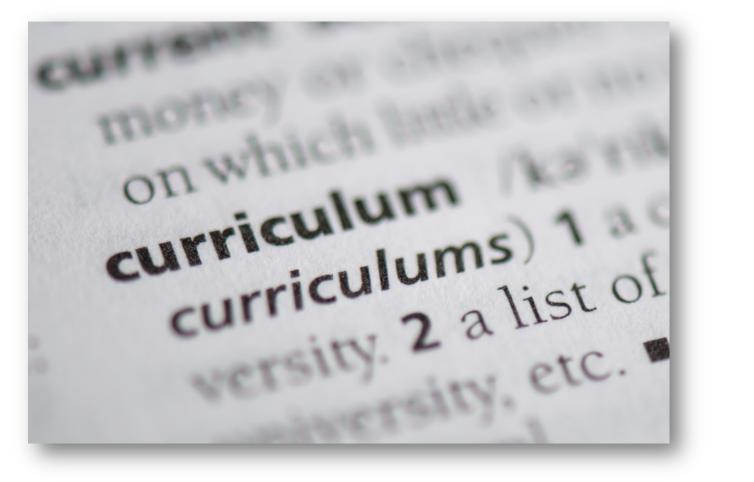
Next Steps: Evidence-based Strategies



Language accessibility



Community health workers



Content adaptations



Culture-specific impacts





 Failure to draw on experiences of the Hispanic community



Evidential

 Deficit in enhancing the perceived importance of diabetes within the Hispanic community



Culture resources and training



Representation



Peripheral

• Minimal use of packaging program resources in culturally appealing ways



Community partnerships

