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Charting a Path Forward: Reducing Mental Health Disparities and Advancing Health Equity



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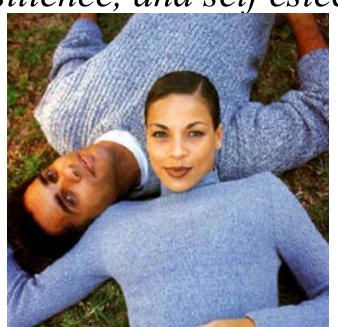
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Mental Health

The successful performance of mental function, resulting in productive activities, fulfilling relationships with other people, and the ability to adapt to change and to cope with adversity; from early childhood until late life; mental health is a springboard of thinking and communication skills, learning, emotional growth, resilience, and self esteem.

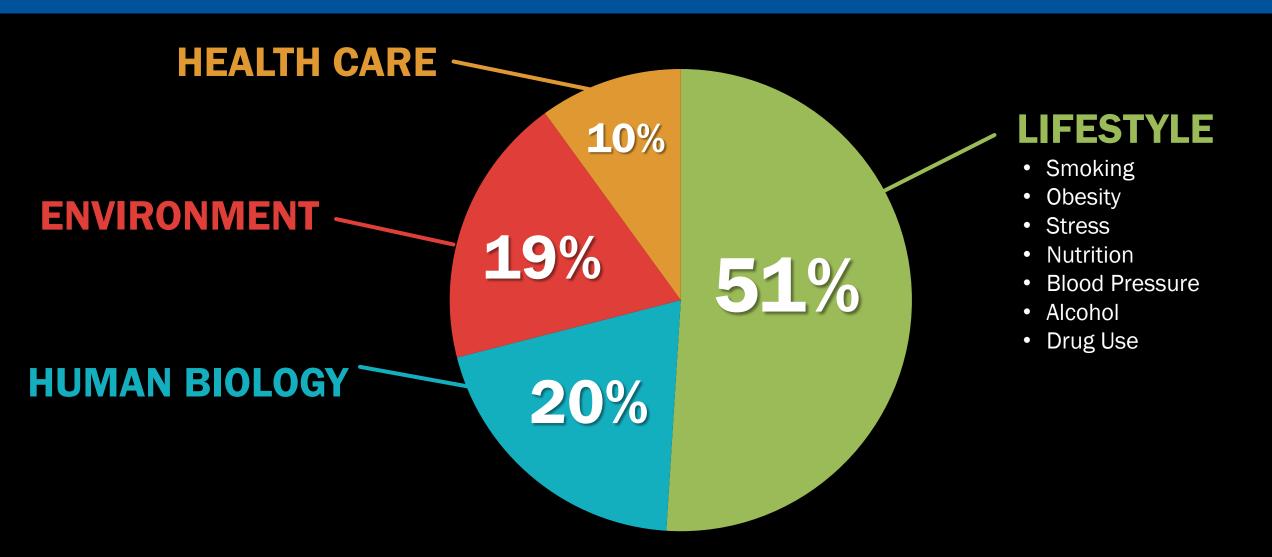




Bio-psychosocial, Sociocultural, and Environmental Stressors

- Health Concerns
- Individual/Personal Issues (e.g., cognitions, identity, selfperception, body image)
- Interpersonal and Intimate Relationships (i.e., commitment, intimacy, trust, communication, infidelity issues)
- Family Relationships and Daily Demands
- Unresolved Pain and Trauma (i.e., sexual, emotional, and physical abuse)
- Negative Life Events (death of a loved one, victim of crime etc.)
- Confronting historical negative stereotypes and images
- Sociopolitical Stressors including Racism and Sexism
- Job/Employment Issues
- Economic and Financial concerns
- Community (e.g., environmental conditions)
- Handling Multiple Expectations of Others

Factors that Influence Health Status



40%

of premature deaths in the United States are due to behavior.



Behavioral Health Includes:

mental illness



Healthy and Unhealthy Behaviors: activity, stress, diet, medication adherence, and more



Mental Health:
psychological distress, depression,
and anxiety to severe and persistent



Substance Use and Abuse: smoking, using drugs, alcohol dependence

Behavior Plays a Major Role Maintaining **Good Health**

Information from:

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Health Disparities



The U.S. Centers for Disease Control defines health disparities as preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or opportunities to achieve optimal health that are experienced by socially disadvantaged populations.

https://www.cdc.gov/aging/disparities/

Social Determinants of Health

Economic Stability	Neighborhood and Physical Environment	Education	Food	Community and Social Context	Health Care System
Income Expenses Debt Medical bills Support	Housing Transportation Safety Parks Playgrounds Walkability Zip code / geography	Literacy Language Early childhood education Vocational training Higher education	Access to healthy options	Social integration Support systems Community engagement Discrimination Stress	Health coverage Provider availability Provider linguistic and cultural competency Quality of care

Health Outcomes

Mortality, Morbidity, Life Expectancy, Health Care Expenditures, Health Status, Functional Limitations



Social determinants of health are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age.

They include factors like socioeconomic status, education, neighborhood and physical environment, employment, and social support networks, as well as access to health care.

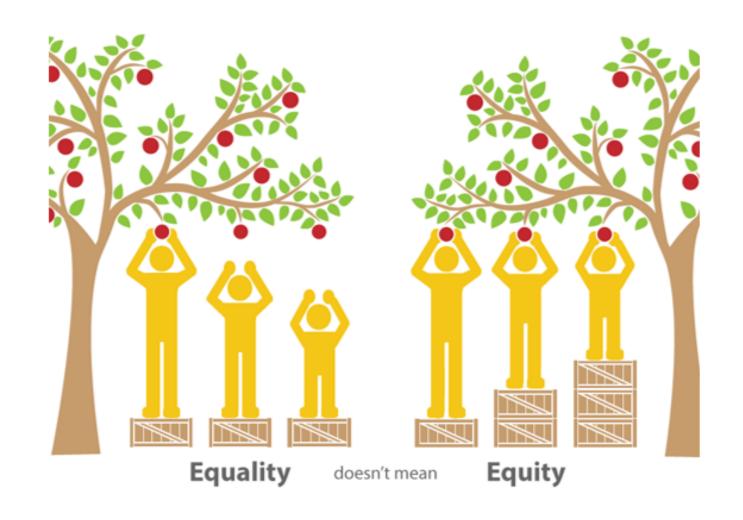
Health Equity



- Health equity is the attainment of the highest level of health for all people.

 Achieving health equity cannot be accomplished without addressing the ways in which health inequities and structural issues are intertwined

- Health inequities are driving substantial physical and psychological suffering and warrant immediate transformative action; aspirational goals are not sufficient.



Equity is about giving people what they need, when they need it, and in the amount that they need it!

Health Equity



Braveman P, Arkin E, Orleans T, Proctor D, and Plough A. What is Health Equity? 2017, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/research/2017/05/what-is-health-equity-.html

Health equity can be viewed both as a process

(the process of reducing disparities in health and its determinants)

and as an outcome

(the ultimate goal: the elimination of social disparities in health and its determinants)

Health Inequities



Health inequities refer to health differences that are rooted in social disadvantages and are therefore unjust or avoidable.

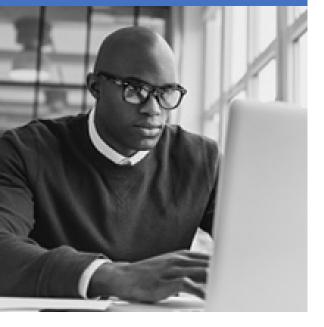
Health inequities adversely affect groups of people who have systematically experienced greater social and/or economic obstacles based on their racial or ethnic group; religion; socioeconomic status; gender; age; mental health; disability; sexual orientation; geographic location; or other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion.

Health Equity and Health **Disparities** are Intimately Related to **Each Other**

- Health disparities can stem from health inequities—
 - systematic differences in the health of groups and communities occupying unequal positions in society that are avoidable and unjust

- Health equity is the ethical and human rights principle that motivates us to eliminate health disparities.
- Disparities in health and in the key determinants of health are the metric for assessing progress toward health equity.

RESEARCH



ADVOCACY



EDUCATION/ TRAINING

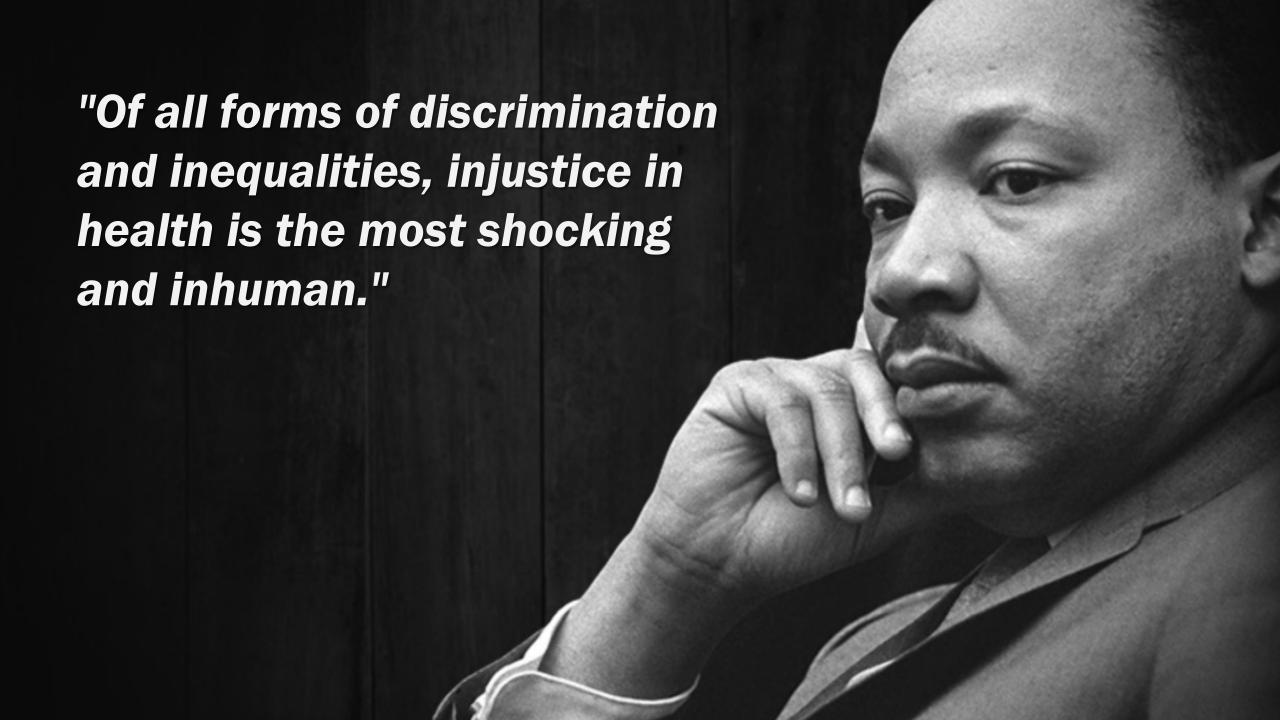


PRACTICE



RECOMMENDATIONS For a More Equitable Mental Health System

- Address social determinants
- Embed services in the places people go
- Empower people to be healthy
- Work with people who are healthy
- Broaden the set of interventions that are used
- Enlist others to build broader mental health literacy
- Focus on health at the community level
- Reframe how people view mental health/reduce stigma
- Promote use of #988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline (starting in July 2022)



A Community-Based Behavioral Health Model to Advance Health Equity

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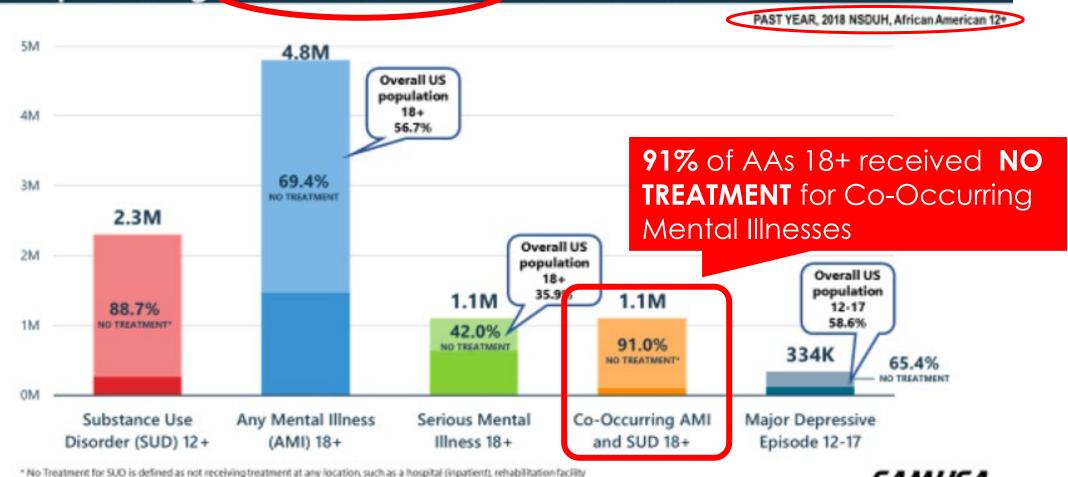
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Before COVID-19: Pervasive Social and Structural Inequities Existed for African Americans

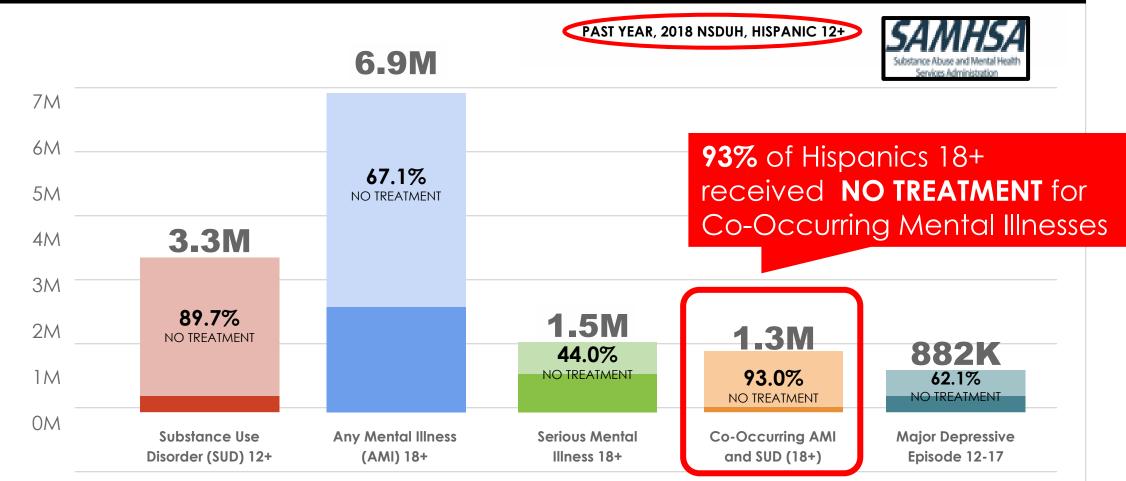
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Before COVID-19: Treatment Gaps Existed for Latinos Too

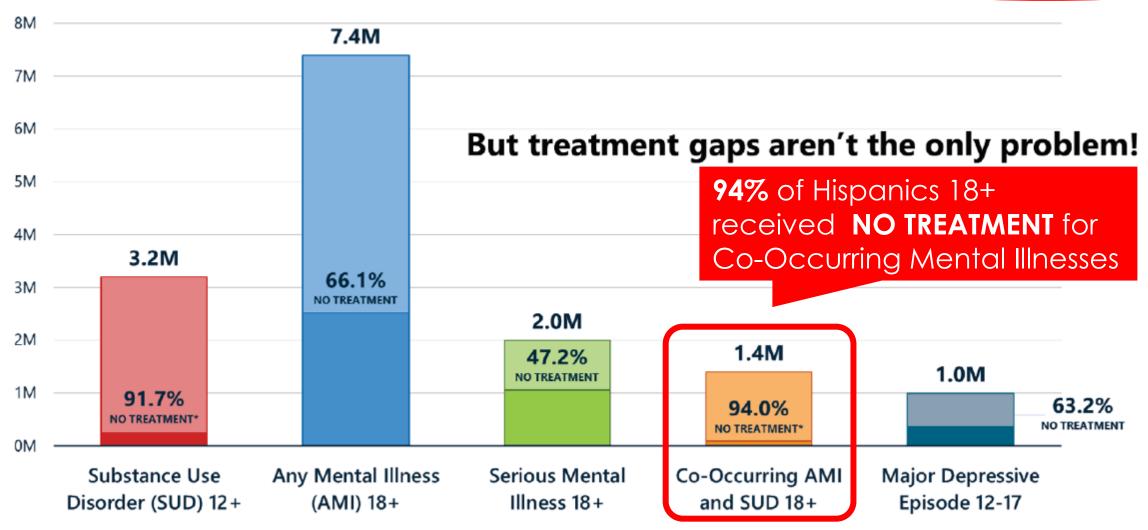
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Mental and Substance Use Disorders among Latinos: High Prevalence/Huge Treatments Gaps

PAST YEAR, 2019 NSDUH, Hispanic 12+



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Is it possible to advance health/mental health equity in historically underserved populations through community-engaged approaches?

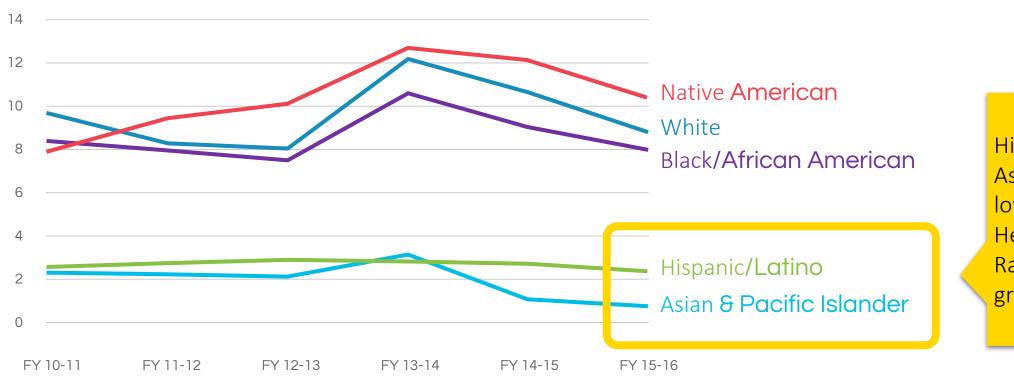
Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Cultural Transformation Model (ICCTM)



- 5-year multi-phase Mental Health
 Services Act (MHSA) Innovation Project
- Focused on three priority underserved populations in Solano County
- Anchored in the nationally recognized
 Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate
 Services (CLAS) Standards
- First project of its kind combining the CLAS Standards with community engagement



Solano County Mental Health Plan Service Penetration Rates by Race/Ethnic Group



Hispanics and
Asians had much
lower Mental
Health Penetration
Rates than other
groups

Note: Penetration rates are calculated by dividing the number of Medi-Cal beneficiaries receiving mental health services by the number of Medi-Cal eligible beneficiaries

- 1. Comprehensive health assessment with the three priority populations in the first year. Community forums and focus groups throughout the project
- 2. Development and facilitation of a Solano-specific CLAS training for cross-sector participants representing the community
- 3. Culturally and linguistically relevant quality improvement (QI) action plans designed to improve mental health service delivery that were both community-informed and community-developed



1. Communities of Focus

- Improve community engagement and partnerships
- Awareness of mental health services
- ↓ Stigma

2. Quality Improvement

Delivery of CLAS-informed care

3. Quadruple Aim

- ↑ Consumer experience
- - Access & service utilization
- Provider experience
- → Per-capita cost



ICCTM Partners

Solano Pride

Center









Health Disparities





14 Quality Improvement Action Plans



COMMUNITY FOCUSED

- 1. Mental Health Education
- 2. Bridging the Gap
- 3. Takin' CLAS to the Schools
- 4. TRUEcare Roadmap
- 5. LGBTQ+ Ethnic Visibility

CBO DEFINED

- 1. Fighting Back Partnership CBO
- 2. Rio Vista CARE CBO
- 3. Solano Pride Center CBO
- 4. Queer Trans People of Color (QTPOC)



WORKFORCE FOCUSED

- 1. Cultural Game Changers
- 2. CLAS Gap Finders

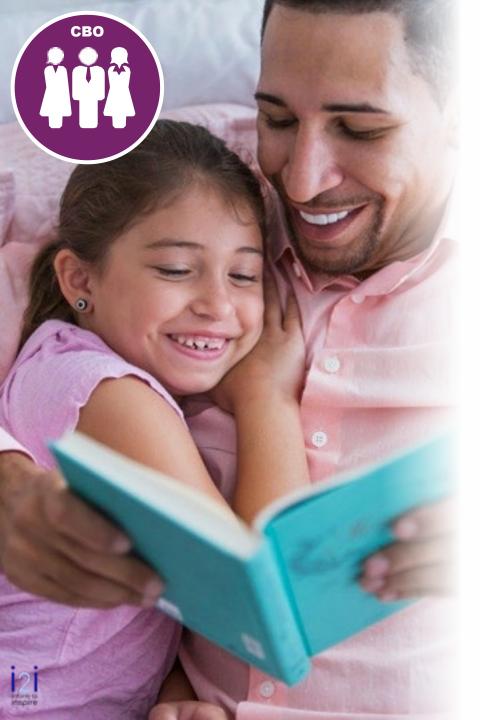




TRAINING FOCUSED

- 1. Cultural Humility Champions
- 2. ISeeU
- 3. Culturally Responsive Supervision





Rio Vista CARE Supporting the Latino Community



GOALS

- 1. Raise Mental Health awareness and education in the Latino Community
- 2. Enhance community outreach and engagement efforts in the Latino community to ensure early access to mental health services and reduce stigma

HIGHLIGHTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- NAMI Spanish-language-- Familia a Familia Training with 5 graduates
- Mental Health 101 workshops with community partners
- Latino outreach events and community celebrations to reduce mental health stigma and discrimination
- Outreach and partnerships with Community-Based Organizations

LESSONS LEARNED

- A trusted community partner is important to deliver mental health messages
- Being flexible to meet people where they are



Takin' CLAS to the Schools

School-Based Wellness Centers

- Culturally inclusive spaces where ALL students are welcome
- Enlisted youth group to conduct focus groups at each site prior to launching
- Funded 45 wellness centers on school campuses K-12 and adult ed sites, 5 pilot sites opened before school closures due to COVID

Wellness Centers Philosophy

- Calm and supportive environment for students needing a place to re-center and re-calibrate
- Trauma-Informed space and staff
- Access point to link students to behavioral health services including crisis support as needed
- Peer delivered services when appropriate



ISeeU

- Training for Frontline Reception Staff
 - Specialized training developed to strengthen customer service skills with emphasis on providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services
- Inclusive Spaces
 - Ensure clinics are culturally inclusive spaces where ALL consumers are welcome
- 3 cohorts for both County and contractor staff have been trained



ICCTM Outcomes

- Increased Utilization of Services
- Increased Access Line Service Calls
- Decreased in first admissions via crisis services
- Increased levels of job satisfaction among Solano County Behavioral Health staff



ICCTM Outcomes

- Providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services (CLAS) represents a key factor in **building trust with** underserved communities.
- Trough a community-engaged process, the ICCTM Project's partners were empowered to define quantitative and qualitative outcomes essential to improving the delivery of mental health services in Solano County.
- Mental health service use increased
 (+29%) and was especially high among
 LGBTQ+ residents (+309%) who had
 traditionally underutilized services in the
 past.

 From baseline, we found improvements in participants' level of cultural responsiveness (+19%), as well as improved engagement with:



 Solano's underserved communities were less likely to enter the mental health system of care through crisis services.

ICCTM Outcomes



 These trends reflected increased trust towards primary mental health care providers in Solano County and resulted in substantial cost savings.

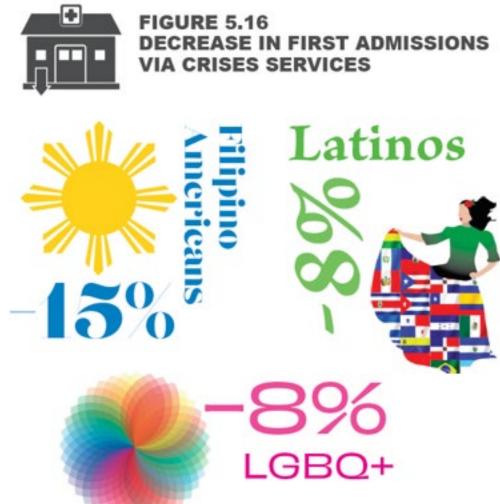


FIGURE 3.4 **FINDING JOY IN THEIR WORK** influencing other "The work I do on this job is very meaningfu through my work? "I feel inspired after working closely with the

Joy in Work

Is participation in the ICCTM Project associated with higher levels of job satisfaction among SCBH staff?

 98% of Solano County Behavioral Health staff reported that their job was meaningful. They felt they were positively influencing people's lives and were inspired from working with patients.

Sustainability of CLAS from the go

County Contracting Practices

- Added CLAS language into RFPs
- Ensure contracts include requirement to use CLAS Standards
- Require contracted vendors to have their own Cultural Responsivity Plans

Continued Implementation of QI Action Plans

Policy Development

- County added a section "Cultural and Linguistic Considerations" to all new and renewed policies
- CBO partners and other community organizations can consider using CLAS Standards when developing policies

Interpreter & Translation Services

 Extended County's contracted interpreter service to all funded vendors

Hiring & Retention

 County and CBO partners to use CLAS Standards to guide hiring and retention processes

Diversity & Equity Plan & Committee

- Continue to use Plan as a guide for equity and to address healthcare disparities
- Shared decision making with committee and community
- Develop an equity data dashboard
- Continue to support CBO partners to have their own Plans and Committee



Is it possible to advance health equity in historically underserved populations?

Yes!

Health/Mental health equity can be advanced!

Practice & Support



Between community engagement sessions, counties will be able to practice skills with local communities

Learning
Collaborative with
40+ CA counties

2 training cohorts

4 Mentor –Mentee with 4 counties (LA, Kern, Fresno & Marin)

ICCTM Learning Collaborative Training Topics

- 1. Overview of the Solano County ICCTM Project
- 2. Community Engagement Models (3 sessions)
- 3. The Impact of COVID-19
- 4. Social Determinants of Health
- 5. Implications of Trauma on Marginalized Communities
- 6. CLAS Standards
- 7. Quality Improvement & Mental Health Equity Data
- 8. ICCTM Sustainability











RESEARCH

2022 AAMC Innovations That Bolster Community Trust in Science Award



First Prize Winner

Community Engagement Model that Bolsters Trust and Trustworthiness

University of Florida, College of Public Health and Health Professions; College of Medicine Linda B. Cottler, PhD, MPH, FACE

Second Prize Winner

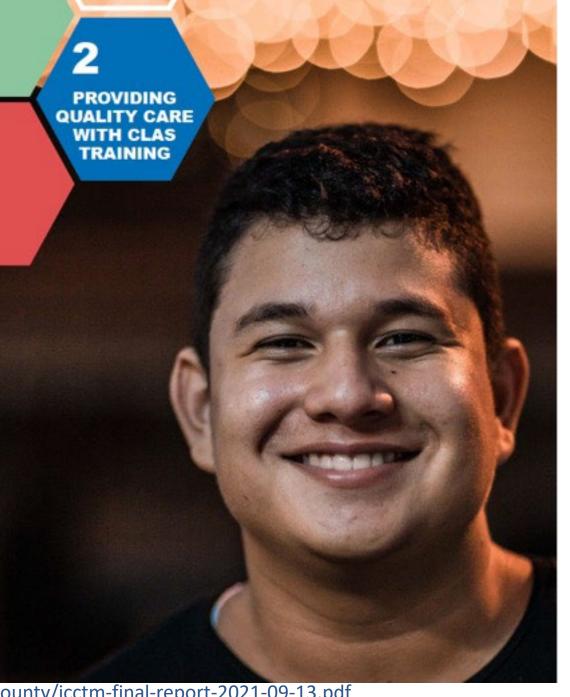
Solano County Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Cultural Transformation Model (ICCTM) Innovations Project

University of California, Davis School of Medicine Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, MD, PhD



SOLANO COUNTY INTERDISCIPLINARY
COLLABORATION AND CULTURAL
TRANSFORMATION MODEL (ICCTM) INNOVATION
PROJECT: FINAL EVALUATION REPORT

JUNE 2021



Lessons Learned in Building Community Programs

- Multistakeholder community partnerships are required
- Use a health equity lens
- Listen attentively to all
- Review local data on health outcomes in your community, connect dots ("patterns that connect"), and look for what is missing
- Actively look for community assets, strengths and resilience and use them
- Design and implement for sustainability right from the go
- Start don't over plan learn and adapt as you go
- Involve students and trainees— with training and oversight
- Building trust and creating trustworthiness is front and center



Our Holistic Community Engagement Model to Advance Behavioral Health Equity





Presented by: Linda B. Cottler, PhD, MPH, FACE on behalf of Team HealthStreet
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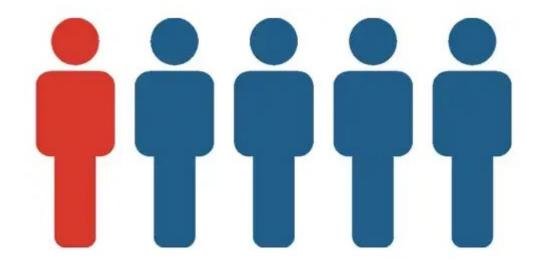


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- Model of Community Engagement we developed
- What we know about inequities in participation in the research enterprise related to mental health
- Next steps to continue to promote behavioral health research



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Mental Illness Affects...



Community Engaged outreach efforts that assess needs and concerns MUST assess for behavioral health.

Approaches to Assessing Mental Health of the Community

Does not Require	Requires
DSM criteria (official nomenclature of the American Psychiatric Association)	Screening questions to elicit behaviors
A clinical degree	Being sensitive to language used to assess
	Knowledge of community resources
	Ability to do social prescribing
	Protection of the data (confidentiality)



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Our Community. Our Health.



...a community engagement program to reduce disparities in access to research through community and other stakeholder engagement AND to improve the population health

Meet People Where They Are

- Community centers
- Libraries
- Senior centers
- Laundromats
- Bus stops
- Health fairs
- Food pantries

- Barber/Beauty shops
- Parks
- Faith-based entities
- Fitness centers
- Health care facilities
- Neighborhoods
- Community events







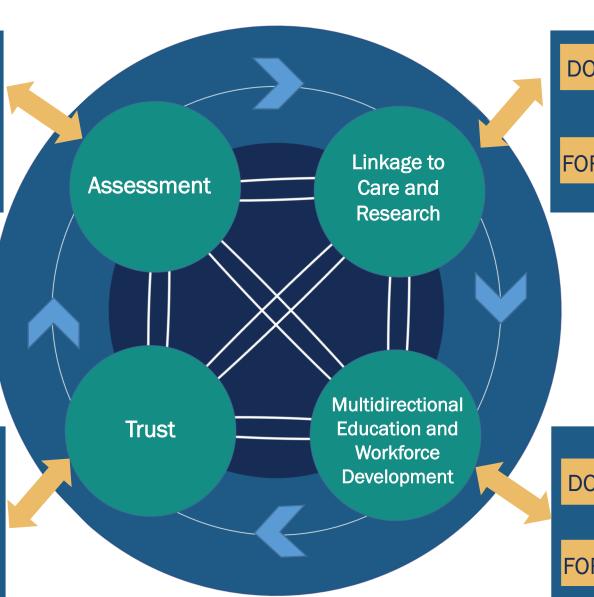
UF HealthStreet 4 Pillars

-Screen for conditions/concerns

FOR

-Better health

-Targeted interventions



-Give referrals

-Navigate to UF research

-Access and parity

-Quality improvement

-Increased relevance and impact of research

-Measure research perceptions and trust

FOR

-Breaking down walls

-Becoming a community



-Train the next generation

-Provide opportunities for communication within the Learning Health Community



-Building and sustaining the Learning Health Community

Assessment-Informed Consent

If you decide to participate in this UF HealthStreet research study:

- You will be part of UF HealthStreet Registry; a registry keeps information so that you can be contacted in the future.
- · If you agree to participate in this study, you will be given a signed copy of this document.

Study ID:IRB2016004

- You may contact Dr. Cottler at (352) 294- Other things you should know: the research or if you think that you have
- The information collected from you is calle signing this informed consent you provide to researchers who have an IRB approved potentially qualify.
- · Your medical records at UF Health (Unive & Clinics) and other medical records may

IRB Project # 201600459 IRB Version: 03/10/2010 PI Version: 1/14/2019

Institutional Review Board

INFORMED CONSENT FORM to Participate in Research, and

AUTHORIZATION

to Collect, Use, and Disclose Protected Health Information (PHI)

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- You may be contacted at set intervals to update your contact information and to receive information about your satisfaction with our referrals, services, resources and research opportunities.

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You have the right to review and c However, we can make this availa Study ID:IRB201600459 Date Approved: 5/3/2019

Signature of Subject providing Informed Consent & HIPAA Authorization

You have been informed about the UF HealthStreet research study and Registry. You have been informed of the possible review of your medical information and possible re-contact if you are a potential candidate for a research study. You have also been told of possible benefits and risks, and that you are free not to agree to be in this UF HealthStreet Registry. You have received a copy of this informed consent. You are aware you may contact UF HealthStreet and you can ask other questions at any time. Signing this document means that the research study, including the above information, has been described to you orally and/or that you have read this document, and you voluntarily agree to take part. Signature of Person Obtaining Consent & Authorization Date I agree to participate in the brief health screening and be part of the UF HealthStreet research study (initial in the appropriate box):

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I agree to allow UF HealthStreet to access my UF Health medical records for research
purposes (initial in the appropriate box):

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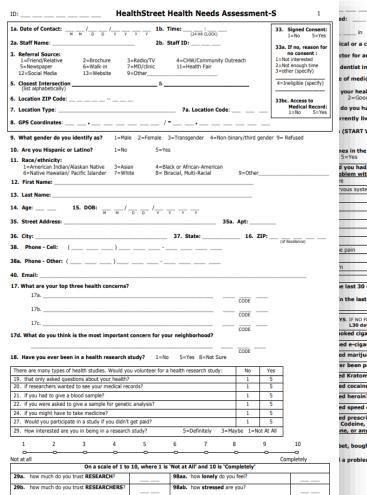
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Signature of Adult Consenting and Authorizing for Self

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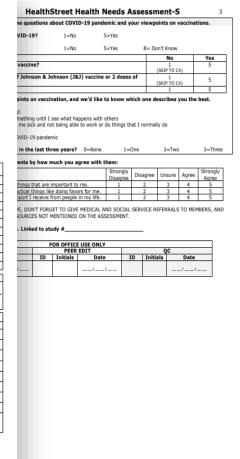


HealthStreet's Community Health Needs Assessment



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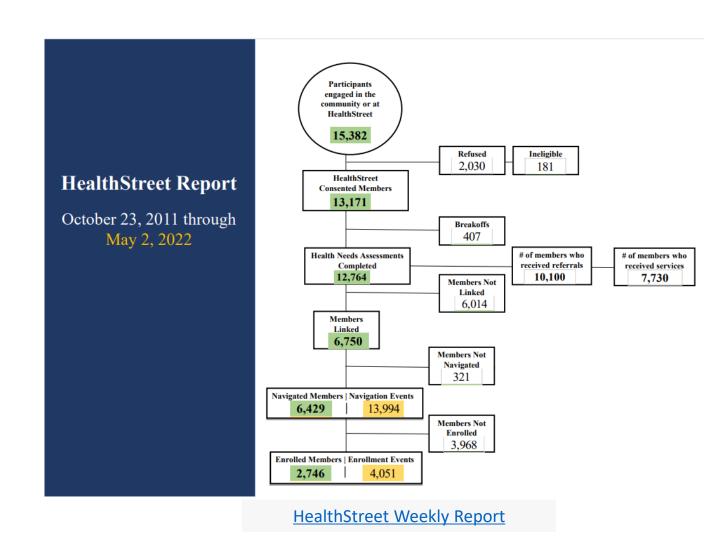




Building Trust Through the HealthStreet Community Engagement Model



Community Health Needs Assessment







Bring Services Where People Are

for the <u>AAMC 2022 Innovation Award to Bolster</u>

<u>Community Trust and Engagement in Science</u> for our

Community Engagement Model that Bolsters Trust and

Trustworthiness

- Our UC Davis partner won 2nd place for their Solano County Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Cultural Transformation Model
- Featured in the monthly NIH NCATS Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA) Program newsletter, the CTSA Ansible.

Spotlight Story



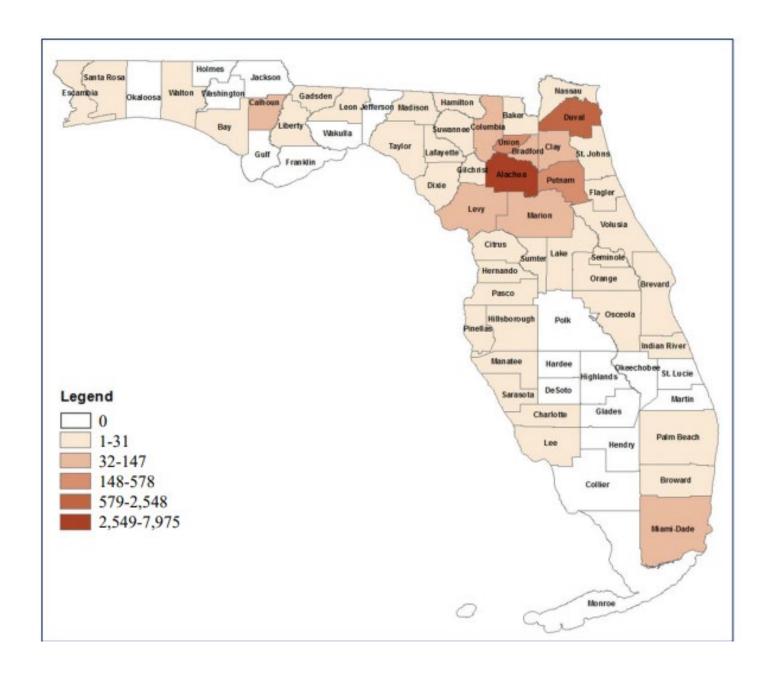
Tackling Vaccine Hesitancy and Health Care Skepticism Through Community Engagement and County Extension

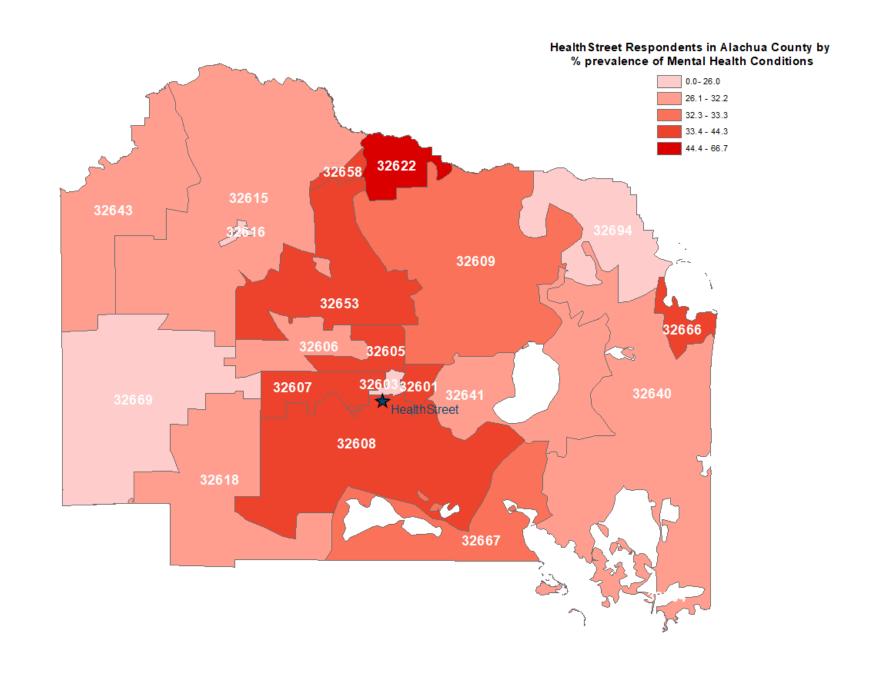
The Our Community, Our Health program reaches community members where they are, focusing on community events, primary care providers and mobile health vehicles. This community engagement program was established with CDC grant and aims to address vaccine hesitancy and health care skepticism. Based on the HealthStreet model, programs in Florida and beyond are partnering with and prioritizing migrant workers, LGBTQ, Native American, Hispanic and Black populations.

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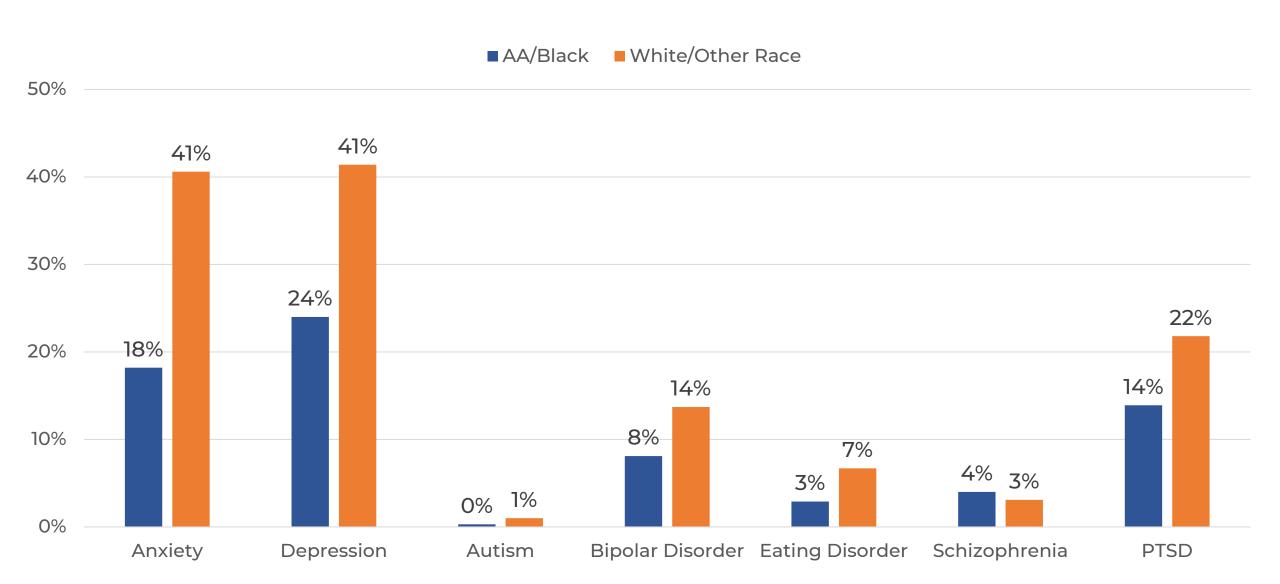




How Common are Mental Health Conditions and Concerns among HealthStreet Community Members?

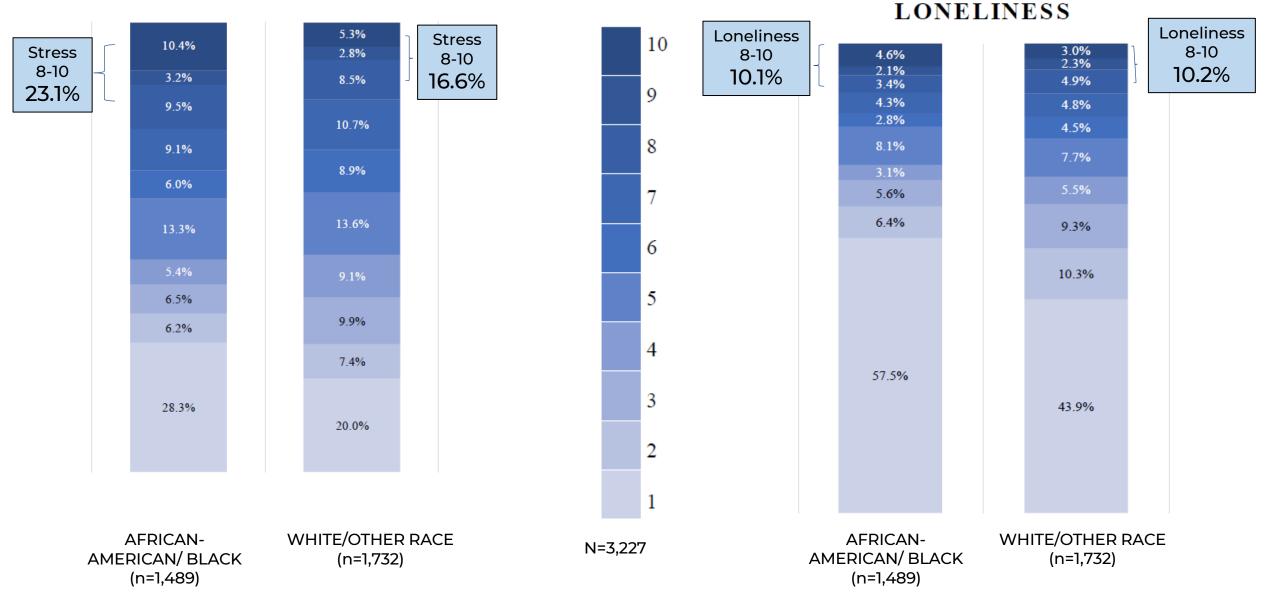
	2011 through December 2019	January 2020 to present
Mental Health Conditions	Ranked 4 th	Ranked 3 rd
Mental Health given as a Concern	Ranked 8 th	Ranked 2 nd

Mental Health Conditions by Race



Stress and Loneliness by Race





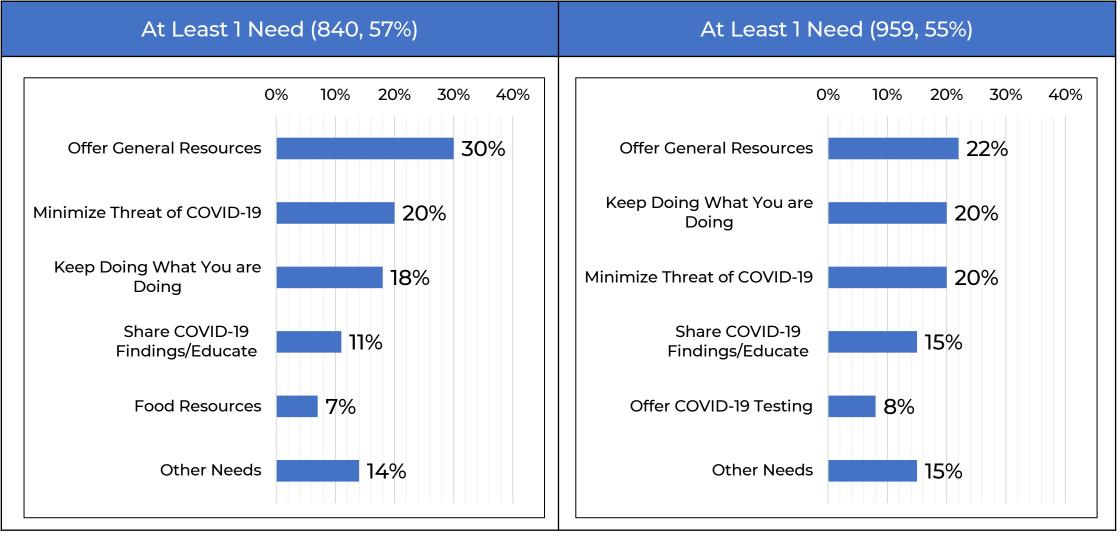
Comorbidity of Mental Health Conditions and Loneliness/Stress by Race

# of Mental Health Conditions (0-7)	None		1 only		2 or more	
	AA/Black N= 4,572	White/ Other Race N= 2,632	AA/Black N= 1,010	White/ Other Race N= 1,180	AA/Black N= 1,145	White/ Other Race N= 2,038
Loneliness (1-10)	3.0 (2.9)	2.9 (2.4)	4.0 (3.1)	3.3 (2.6)	4.6 (3.1)	4.5 (2.9)
Stress (1-10)	4.3 (2.9)	4.2 (2.5)	6.0 (3.2)	5.4 (2.7)	6.4 (3.2)	6.6 (2.9)

Other Health Conditions and Trust by Race

	AA/Black N= 6,723	White/ Other Race N= 5,845
Health Conditions		
Hypertension	41.2%	31.6%
Diabetes	15.2%	12.3%
Trust in research (1-10)	7.2 (2.1)	7.6 (1.9)
Trust in researchers (1-10)	7.1 (2.2)	7.6 (1.9)

COVID-19 Community Needs by Race



Black (n= 1,489)

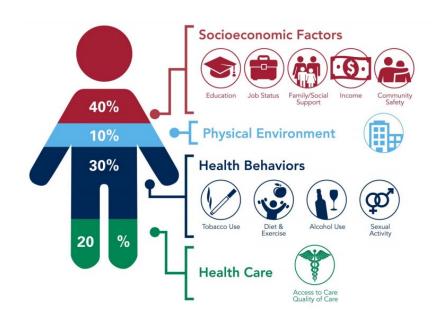
White and Other Race (n= 1,732)

HealthStreet Referrals/Social Prescribing Program

CHWs give referrals at Baseline. Community members are followed up at 60 and 120 days. "Did you use our referrals? How satisfied were you? Here are additional referrals."

What is Social Prescribing?

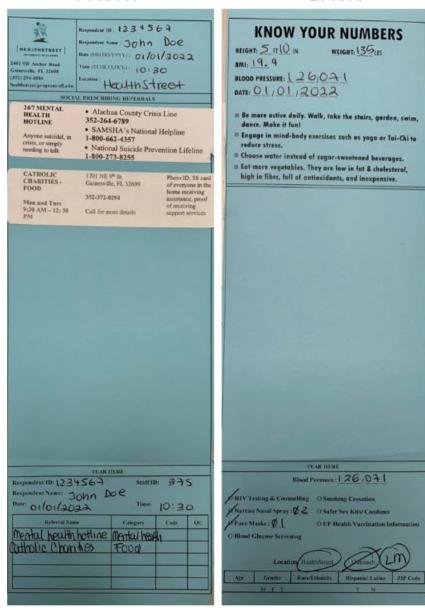
- Non-medical interventions proposed to:
 - address wider determinants of health (food pantry referrals, walk, coping strategies etc)
 - help people improve health behaviors (Zumba, drink more water etc)
- Evidence suggests it can improve health and wellbeing and reduce workload for healthcare professionals and demand for secondary care services
- CHWs do social prescribing at all events



Mock Referral Form

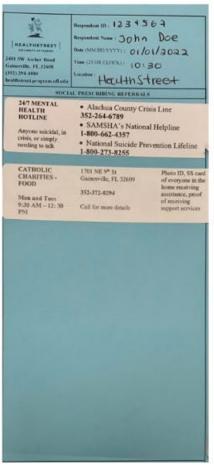
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Goes to the member

CHW keeps it and stores at HealthStreet





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Respondent ID: (234567 Staff ID: 375
Respondent Name: John Doe
Date: 01/01/2022 Time: 10:30

Referral Name Category Code OC

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Service Referrals by Race

	AA/Black N= 6,723	White/ Other Race N= 5,845
By # of Mental Health Conditions (0 -7)		
None	68%	45%
▶ % at least 1 service referral/ Mean # of referrals	77% / 3.8	66% / 3.3
➡ % completed at least 1 FU in 120 days	55%	60%
▶ % utilized at least 1 referral	15%	13%
► % completely/ mostly satisfied	93%	84%
Only 1	15%	20%
▶ % at least 1 service referral/ Mean # of referrals	85% / 4.5	77% / 3.9
₩ % completed at least 1 FU in 120 days	58%	59%
▶ % utilized at least 1 referral	20%	17%
► % completely/ mostly satisfied	91%	88%
2 or more	17%	35%
► % at least 1 service referral/ Mean # of referrals	90% / 4.8	84% / 4.6
₩ % completed at least 1 FU in 120 days	60%	60%
► % utilized at least 1 referral	23%	22%
₩ % completely/ mostly satisfied	86%	83%

- Very few studies exist on the use of:
 - social prescribing
 - utilization of referrals
 - 15 to 23% of referrals used is a good start– especially within only 120 days (4 months)



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- What we know about inequities in participation in the research enterprise related to mental health
- Next steps to continue to promote behavioral health research

What We Know about Participation*

	Not Navigated or Enrolled N= 5,883 (46%)	Navigated but not Enrolled N= 3,968 (32%)	Navigated + Enrolled N= 2,731 (22%)
Race/Ethnicity			,
AA/Black	55.8%	51.1%	52.0%
White/ Other Race	44.2%	48.9%	48.0%
Female	57.8%	60.6%	63.7%
12+ years of education	40.0%	47.1%	51.7%
Mental Health Conditions			
None	60.1%	55.9%	53.2%
1 only	16.7%	17.2%	19.4%
2+	23.2%	27.0%	27.4%
Trust in research	7.2 (2.1)	7.7 (1.9)	7.5 (1.9)
Trust in researchers	7.1 (2.1)	7.6 (2.0)	7.4 (2.0)
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^{*}Connected to the IRB and recruit for all studies.



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Recommendation 1: Holistic Models are Necessary

People have more than one condition



Recommendation 2:

- Community Engagement models at each of the CTSAs across the country are Showing impact.
- We have a small budget and a large goal.
- To show impact requires longitudinal study.
- Fund follow-up studies.



Recommendation 3: Track Metrics Cascade of Community Recruitment Efforts to Research Opportunities*

	HealthStreet Registry	Navigated	Enrolled (Among Navigated)	
	n= 13,171	n= 6,429 (49%)	n= 2,746 (43%)	
African American/ Black	55.2%	52.6%	53.1%	
White	37.8%	40.0%	39.8%	
Others	7.0%	7.4%	7.1%	



Recommendation 4: Operationalize the Principles of Community Engagement

3rd Edition coming out soon with the addition of a 10th principle: TRUSTWORTHINESS





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Recommendation 5: Be Sustainable

- During the pandemic, we could not turn our back on the community we worked with everyday
- We:
 - Pushed for new guidelines from UF to be out
 - Worked outside on picnic tables a couple afternoons a week
 - Made calls to our Members to stay in touch
 - Worked for environmental justice (distributed food/toiletries/ feminine hygiene products/clothes)

Respond to Needs

- Based on data we know Florida is among the highest in the country for fatal and non-fatal overdoses.
 HealthStreet CHWs distribute Narcan.
- Give referrals. Track them. It's not that difficult.



Recommendation 6: Solicit Testimonials from the Community

- It's nice to be called and be thought of. You were the first person I have talked to in over 3 weeks so will you keep calling me and checking in on me?
- I'm lonely and you all really helped.
- Your services are very helpful for people. For me personally, I have been benefited by participating in clinical trials and your program is great.
 But I know people need the assistance in transportation and donations so keep offering rides and shampoo and clothes.
- Keep your doors open and continue to help people as much as you can.
- Call people and get their opinions like you are doing. Talking stops fear and anxiety so what you are doing is great. More information will help.

Recommendation 7: Let the Community Know You Stand With Them

We have written 6 Op Eds as a team (with our CAB) in the past 18 months

Topics:

- Racism x 2
- Supporting Black vendors
- Narcan
- Hard-working people
- Black Lives Matter

Recommendation 8: Let's keep sharing our approaches



