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MEETING CHALLENGES TOGETHER WEBINAR SERIES

DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND EQUITY: HOW CME PROVIDERS CAN RESPOND

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What is Health?

Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.

-- World Health Organization

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Blind Spots

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"I'm an excellent driver."
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- "I got this job because I earned it."
- "I chose that speaker because of her expertise."
- "I'm not a bigot."
- "I'm not racist."

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Health Disparities

Health disparities are preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or opportunities to achieve optimal health that are experienced by socially disadvantaged populations as defined by:

- Race or ethnicity,
- Gender,
- Education or income,

- Disability,
- Geographic location (e.g., rural or urban), or
- Sexual orientation



Health Disparities

Health disparities are inequitable, unjust, and are directly related to the historical and current unequal distribution of social, political, economic, and environmental resources.

Health disparities result from multiple factors, including:

- Poverty, unemployment
- Educational inequalities
- Environmental threats, segregation
- Inadequate access to housing and health care
- Victimization by police, incarceration



Racism is Rampant in American Healthcare

- Physicians and healthcare institutions are complacent about and perpetuate policies that discriminate in access and care based on race
- Physicians and healthcare professionals occupy positions of stature, power and authority

- Healthcare payment structures create disincentives for the care of people of color
- Disparities in access and care exacerbate the harm that social structures and policies cause to people of color
- Addressing racism and its consequences should be a central task of CME

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What Can We Do to Enhance Objectivity?

Acknowledge that you have biases

Slow down

Be open

Ask questions and evaluate objectively

Seek out contradictory views

Bring in other perspectives



Strategies to Address Systemic Inequities with CME



Help HCPs understand they have a responsibility to act



Teach about biases, empathy, and advocacy



Foster an inclusive work environment



Advocate for eliminating barriers to care



Partner with and take direction from community members



Recruit diversely to be more representative





ACP Advocate

the American College of Physicians



Advancing Social Justice with Accredited Continuing Education at Kaiser Permanente







ORGANIZATIONAL DECISION

EQUITY, INCLUSION & DIVERSITY PHYSICIAN CHAMPIONS

LOCAL LEVEL CME EDUCATION

AIDS Healthcare Foundation: Who Are We & What Do We Do?

- Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization founded 31 years ago to care for people with HIV/AIDS
- Mission Statement: Cutting edge medicine and advocacy, regardless of ability to pay
- Though HIV care continues to be at the core of what AHF does, we are transitioning from an HIV organization that is involved in public health to a public health organization that provides HIV care





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