



Health Equity is our Mission

Founded in 2006 to provide healthcare to residents of public housing, our mission is innovative health and wellness services for all, with the goal of African American health equity.

As a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), we provide primary healthcare (medical, dental and behavioral health), maternal and perinatal care, medication assisted recovery treatment, chiropractic, acupuncture, health education, and chronic disease management for patients, regardless of income.

What You Can do to Create Equity

Refer patients to 415-339-8813. Our doctors, dentists and therapists are available Mondays–Saturdays. We accept Medi-Cal, and help patients enroll in insurance and nutrition programs (like CalFresh food stamps).

Learn about structural racism. Black working families came to Marin City for shipyard jobs, but few could become “middle class” because redlining made it hard to buy a home. Read about the reality of what it means to be Black in America:

Waking Up White (D. Irving)

White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son (T.Wise)

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness (M.Alexander)

Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption (B.Stevenson)

Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome (J.Degruiy)

Between the World and Me (T.Coates)

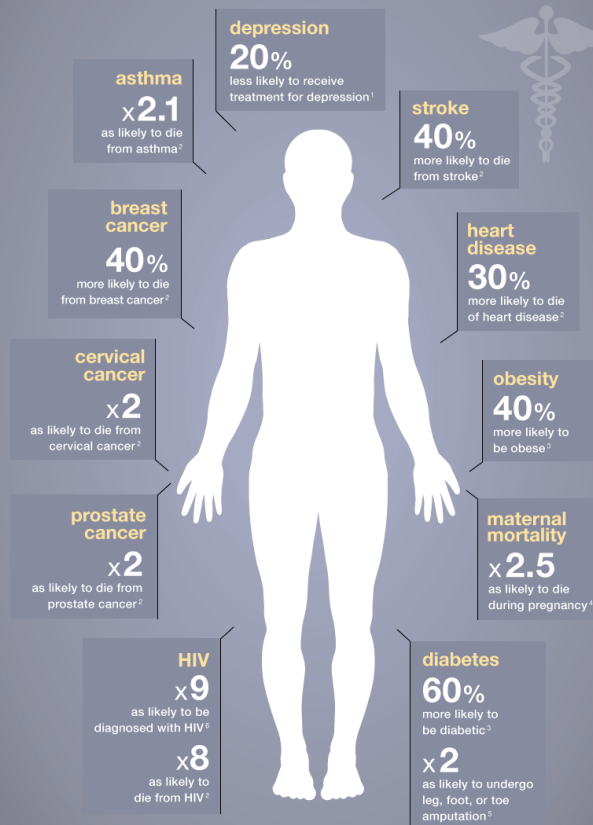
Attend a community event. Come to Marin City’s annual MLK Celebration is in January. Talk with your friends about racism in Marin County – it exists. Share what you know. Ask what you can change.

Infographic source: Families USA <http://familiesusa.org/product/african-american-health-disparities-compared-to-non-hispanic-whites>

African American Health Disparities Compared to Non-Hispanic Whites

Racial and ethnic health disparities are undermining our communities and our health system. African Americans are more likely to suffer from certain health conditions, and they are more likely to get sicker, have serious complications, and even die from them. These are some of the more common health disparities that affect African Americans in the United States compared to non-Hispanic whites.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH DISPARITIES: ADULTS



AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH DISPARITIES: CHILDREN

Compared to non-Hispanic white children, African American children are more likely to suffer from the following:



How do we reduce racial and ethnic health disparities? We must work together to improve our health care system to make it high-quality, comprehensive, affordable, and accessible for everyone.

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¹ Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2012 National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Reports

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³ CDC, Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: National Health Interview Survey 2011

⁴ CDC, Deaths: Final Data for 2007

⁵ CDC, Age-Adjusted Hospital Discharge Rates for Nontraumatic Lower Extremity Amputations per 1,000 Diabetic Population, by Race, United States, 1988-2009

⁶ CDC, National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention, Diagnoses of HIV Infection in the United States and Dependent Areas, 2011

⁷ CDC, Infant Mortality Statistics from the 2009 Period Linked Birth/Infant Death Data Set

⁸ CDC, National Surveillance of Asthma - United States, 2001-2010

⁹ Federal Interagency Forum on Child and Family Statistics, America's Children: Key National Indicators of Well-Being, 2013

¹⁰ CDC, Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance - United States, 2011

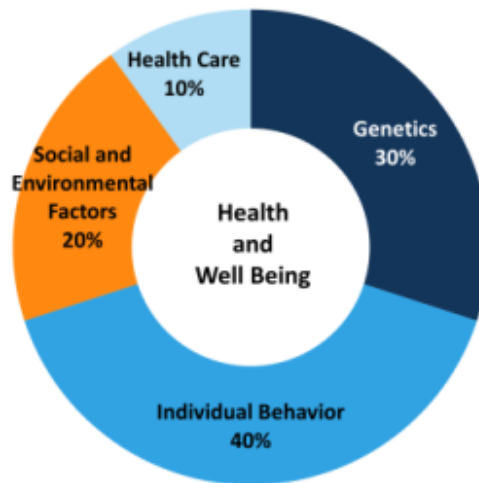
Portrait of Marin: Social Determinants of Health



Source: A Portrait of Marin 2012 (Measure of America) <http://www.measureofamerica.org/marin/>

Figure 1

Impact of Different Factors on Risk of Premature Death



SOURCE: Schroeder, SA. (2007). We Can Do Better — Improving the Health of the American People. *NEJM*. 357:1221-8.



Source: Beyond Health Care: The Role of Social Determinants in Promoting Health and Health Equity (Kaiser Family Foundation) <http://kff.org/disparities-policy/issue-brief/beyond-health-care-the-role-of-social-determinants-in-promoting-health-and-health-equity/>