

HHP 100 TTH F15 - Achieving Health Equity in America in ONE Generation! (50 points) – Final Project

Purpose: Students research, select, prioritize, review, analyze and summarize key public health methods, models and strategies, including the burden of disease, social determinants, policies, & health systems to determine the potential for individual States to reduce health disparities and achieve health equity, a national goal of the American Public Health Association and the National Association of County & City Health Officials.

Instructions: Students (individuals or pairs) select a State from the list below. Students research the State Health Department’s website and selected national websites to analyze THE PROBLEM; namely the burden of racial & ethnic health disparities, poverty, education, employment and health insurance data AND research THE SOLUTIONS such as the State’s public health partners, policies & programs to assess the State’s progress towards reducing health disparities and achieving Health Equity. **SEE Power Point Template**

Part A. State Health Disparities & Health Equity Background Paper (20 pts) - 3 pages plus APA style references.

- 1) The Problem - *Health Disparities Data Profile* (8 pts)- Describe: a) demographic data by race, gender, age, b) education & employment data by age, gender, race, c) poverty data by age, gender race, d) burden of disease/health status data by race, ethnicity, age, poverty (at least 4 Health Dept. health priorities).
- 2) The Solutions - *Partners, Programs & Policies* (8 pts) – Describe: a) The number, % & type of residents by race, ethnicity, age, poverty level who have health insurance since Affordable Care Act in Jan 2014. b) Research, list and briefly describe the Partners, Programs and Policies the State has in place or planned to improve health, reduce health disparities & promote Health Equity. Many States have plans like Healthy People 2020 and a State-wide Health Improvement Plan. Many States have a Health Equity or Health Disparities Policy initiated by the State Health Department or the State Governor’s Office to mandate Health Equity funding. Many State Health Dept work with different partners, including private non-governmental organizations, private industry, public universities and local government. 3) *Reference list* – APA style in-text citations & reference list (4 pts)

Part B. Health Equity Poster (20 pts) - Using the 11x17 ppt template provided, highlight key data, partners, programs & policies from Part A using graphs, charts, tables, bullets. Print Poster in color at COCC bookstore.

Part C. Health Equity Presentation (10 pts) - Students provide a 5-minute presentation and Q&A with peers at the Health Equity Conference. **Finals Day: Wed. Dec 9, 10:15am-12:15pm.**

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| California | | Massachusetts | | Tennessee | |
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| Delaware | | North Dakota | | Virginia | |
| Florida | | Oklahoma | | Washington | |
| Hawaii | | Pennsylvania | | Wisconsin | |
| Indiana | | South Carolina | | Wyoming | |