Hep B United Summit

Applying a Health Equity Lens to Eliminating Hepatitis B

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“Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health is the most shocking and inhumane.”

— Martin Luther King Jr

1966
The Role of Equity in Public Health

Help all Americans achieve at least a high school education

Create a healthy environment

Increase economic mobility

Encourage healthy behaviors and choices

Give everyone a choice of safe, healthy food

Provide quality health care for all

Build a nation of safe, healthy communities

Health Equity

Healthiest Nation
Equity and equality, the difference between equity and equality is quite clear, but those who are not aware of the nuances of English language often confuse between these two words.

**EQUITY**
- It is based upon justness and fairness.
- Attention is paid to individual needs and requirements.

**EQUALITY**
- It demands everyone be treated at the same level.
- Individual needs and requirements are ignored.
Solutions?

Get tested | Get vaccinated | Get treated

How can I protect my child and family?

How can my community participate in reducing Hep B transmission?

How do we combat health-related disparities?

How can we work/collaborate with academia and pharmaceutical companies to create change?
Community-based participatory research is a... "collaborative approach to research that equitably involves all partners in the research process and recognizes the unique strengths that each brings. CBPR begins with a research topic of importance to the community, has the aim of combining knowledge with action and achieving social change to improve health outcomes and eliminate health disparities."

–WK Kellogg Foundation Community Health Scholars Program
Closing ...

“THE SECRET OF CHANGE IS TO FOCUS ALL OF YOUR ENERGY, NOT ON FIGHTING THE OLD, BUT ON BUILDING THE NEW.”

— Socrates