

Health and Equity in All Policies: The Crossroads of Policy and Public Health



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2016 RANK: **40**
-1 CHANGE FROM 2015

Ohio

DETERMINANTS RANK: 39
OUTCOMES RANK: 40

HEALTHIEST STATES



SMOKING



21.6%

OR ABOUT 2 IN 9 ADULTS IN OHIO
SMOKE COMPARED WITH 17.5%
NATIONALLY.

OBESITY



29.8%

OR ABOUT 3 IN 10 ADULTS IN OHIO
ARE **OBESSE** COMPARED WITH
29.8% NATIONALLY.

LACK OF HEALTH INSURANCE



7.5%

OR ABOUT 1 IN 13 PEOPLE IN OHIO
LACK HEALTH INSURANCE
COMPARED WITH 10.6% NATIONALLY.

DRUG DEATHS



21.1

DRUG DEATHS PER 100,000
POPULATION IN OHIO COMPARED
WITH 14.0 PER 100,000
POPULATION NATIONALLY.

CARDIOVASCULAR DEATHS



278.7

CARDIOVASCULAR DEATHS
PER 100,000 POPULATION IN OHIO
COMPARED WITH 251.7 PER 100,000
POPULATION NATIONALLY.

PREMATURE DEATH



8,063

YEARS OF LIFE LOST BEFORE AGE
75 PER 100,000 POPULATION IN OHIO
COMPARED WITH 7,054 PER 100,000
POPULATION NATIONALLY.

MODEL OF HEALTH

Behaviors



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HEALTH HEADLINES

- » Rising price of life-saving overdose drug naloxone worries addicts' families
- » Fate of Ohio's Medicaid expansion tied to Obamacare's future
- » Plans for 'recovery high school' take root in central Ohio

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In a grim statistic that surprises no one close to the problem, Ohio leads the nation in opioid overdose deaths, a new report shows.

Along with the overall category, Ohio also had the country's most deaths related to heroin: One in 9 heroin deaths across the U.S. happened in Ohio.

The Buckeye State also recorded the most deaths from synthetic opioids: About 1 in 14 U.S. deaths.



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National statistics showed one area where Ohio fared slightly better than other states: overdose deaths from drugs such as oxycodone and hydrocodone, which are typically dispensed in pill form.

HiAP/HEiAP Key Elements

- Innovative approach to creating policies that consider health and **equity**
- Emphasizes cross-sector collaboration to achieve common health goals
- Ensure policies have neutral or beneficial impact on the determinants of health
- Creates a structural process for change

Equity is the absence of avoidable or remediable differences among groups of people, whether those groups are defined socially, economically, demographically, or geographically.

Health Equity is the realization by all people of the highest attainable level of health and no one is disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of social position or other socially determined circumstances.

EQUALITY vs. EQUITY



Equality = Sameness

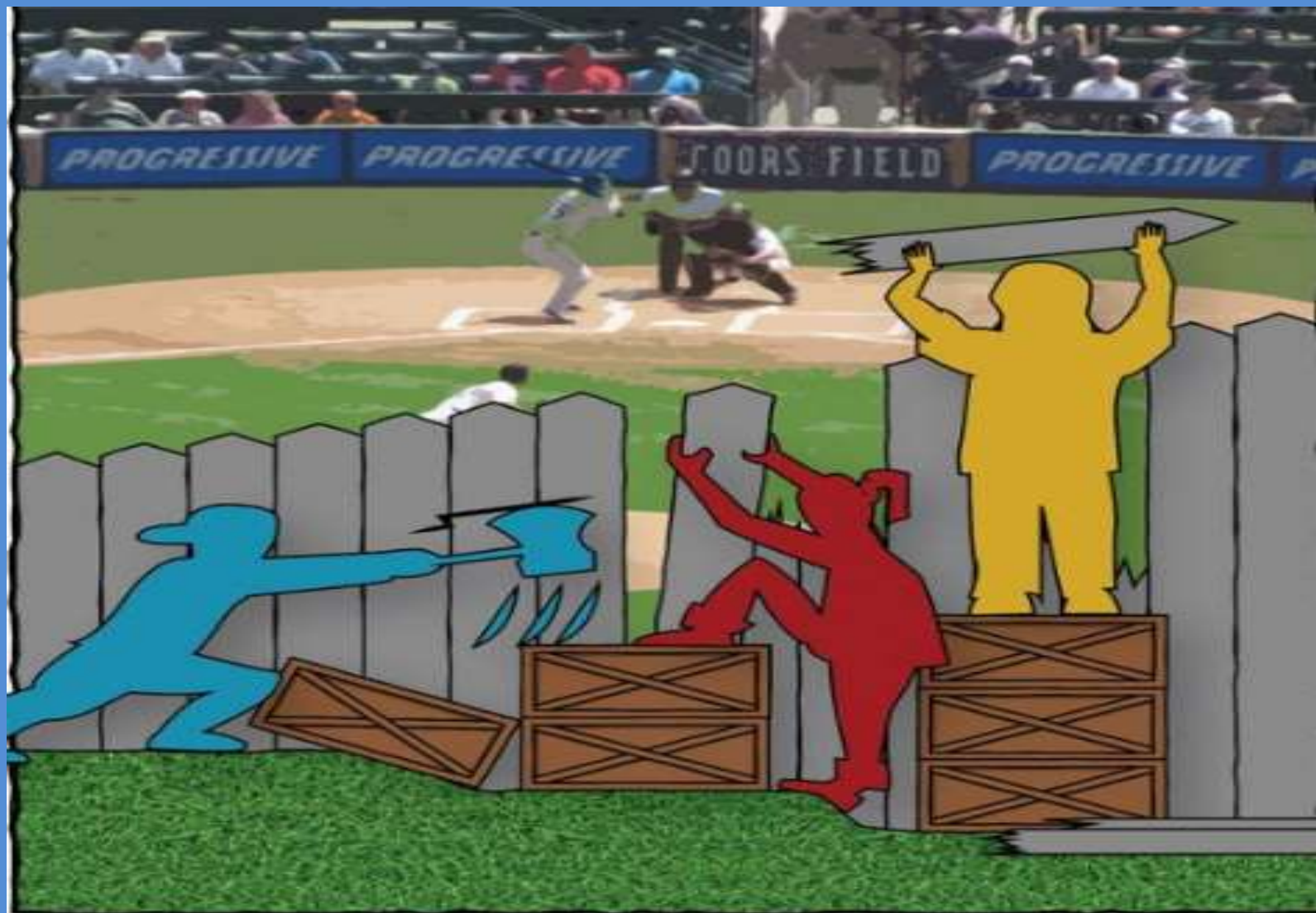
GIVING EVERYONE THE SAME
THING → It only works if
everyone starts from the same
place

Equity = Fairness

ACCESS TO THE SAME
OPPORTUNITIES → We
must first ensure equity before we
can enjoy equality

Race, income and neighborhood are each major predictors of whether we graduate from high school, become incarcerated, how healthy we are, and even how long we will live.

Equity and Social Justice – King County Washington



JUSTICE

OPHA's Legislative Initiative

OPHA's proposal to incorporate HEiAP into Ohio's legislative process would help to ensure that all of the state's rules and laws would have a neutral or beneficial impact on the determinates of health and be viewed through a health and equity lens.



- Health and Equity in All Policies (HEiAP) – *Emphasis on Equity*
- Similar to Ohio’s Common Sense Initiative – *Business Friendly*
- Development of an Assessment Tool – *Health and Equity Lens*
- Codified in Statute – *Legislative Oversight*
- Robust Monitoring & Evaluation Process – *Sustainability*
- Cross-sectional stakeholder collaboration – *Shared Responsibility*



BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

- ❑ Creates the health and equity in all policies initiative office

- ❑ The Office shall review and issue a report concerning each bill introduced in Ohio's General Assembly
 1. Provide the opinion of the office concerning the potential impact of the bill on the health of Ohioans and on the accomplishment of health equity in this state;

 2. Recommend any changes to the bill that, in the opinion of the office, would improve the impact of the bill on the health of Ohioans or on the accomplishment of health equity in this state;

 3. If possible, analyze the potential financial return on investment of the health-related policies or programs affected by the bill;

 4. Post information on website for public review...

Initiatives in other States

California: In 2010 Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger issued an Executive Order creating the California Health in All Policies Task Force to promote health and equity and to complement key statewide efforts to address climate change.

Washington: A 2006 law authorized state legislators and the governor to request that the state board of health review legislative or budgetary proposals to consider how they would affect social determinants of health and health disparities.

Massachusetts: Established a process for assessing the impact of transportation projects on “public health and vulnerable populations.”

Maryland: In May 2017 Governor signed bill authorizing the University of Maryland’s College of Public Health to engage state and local lawmakers in the implementation of a Health in All Policies approach to decision-making.

Examples of other local health and equity-related policy efforts in Ohio

- The Health and Equity Implications of Expanded Access to Preschool: Cincinnati's Fork in the Road (Health Impact Assessment by Human Impact partners, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Interact for Health and other partners, 2016)
- Stress on the Streets: Race, Policing, Health, and Increasing Trust not Trauma health Impact Assessment by Human Impact Partners, Ohio Justice and Policy Center and Ohio Organizing Collaborative, 2015)
- City of Akron and Summit County Health in All Policies resolutions
- Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Eastside Greenway Health Impact Assessment: Executive Summary,2016
- Columbus Public Health Safe Routes to School district-wide travel plan Health Impact Assessment, 2015
- Delaware General Health District Predicting Health Impacts of the Premium Outlet Mall on Community Health, 2014

HEiAP Legislative Initiative Progress Update

- ❑ Draft Bill Language Issued
- ❑ Legislative Outreach to begin
- ❑ Finalizing an Assessment Tool
- ❑ Release of Research Study later this month
 - Literature Reviews
 - Case Studies
 - Economic Analysis
 - Overview of the Common Sense Initiative

How Can You Help?

- Seek opportunities to integrate health considerations into local public policy
- Talk with legislators and community leaders
- Assess your organizations to ensure current policies address health and equity concerns
- Evaluate who is at the table when important policy decisions are made to ensure diversity of thought
- Be intentional in your efforts



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