Accountable Health Communities Deep Dive: Current Models and Lessons Learned

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Modifiable Factors that Influence Health

Your zip code should not determine the length of your life. This year, California legislators and Governor Jerry Brown recognized that **health happens in neighborhoods**. The California Endowment would like to thank California’s leaders for taking steps to make our communities and our state stronger.

**AB 581 (Perez)**: Brings grocery stores to neighborhoods where they are needed.

**AB 6 (Fuentes)**: Eliminates bureaucratic red tape for families who need access to healthy food.

**SB 20 (Padilla)**: Gives Californians the facts about restaurant food.

**SB 244 (Wolk)**: Requires local land use planning to include improvement of disadvantaged communities.

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THRIE
Community Determinants of Health

PLACE
◆ What’s sold & how it’s promoted
◆ Look, feel & safety
◆ Parks & open space
◆ Getting around
◆ Housing
◆ Air, water, soil
◆ Arts & culture

EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITY
◆ Racial & social justice
◆ Jobs & local ownership
◆ Education

PEOPLE
◆ Social networks & trust
◆ Participation & willingness to act for the common good
◆ Norms

Source: A Time of Opportunity: Local Solutions to Reduce Inequities in Health and Safety
Presented to the Institute of Medicine roundtable on health disparities, May 2009
Table 1. Community Factors Affecting health, safety, and mental health
Healthcare
Behavior Health, Community & Social Services

Image Source: USDA
Community-Wide Prevention

Image Source: Family Friendly Economy
Core Elements of a System of Health

1. Mission
2. Multi-Sectoral Partnership
3. Backbone Organization
4. Governance
5. Data and Assessment
6. Strategy and Implementation
7. Community Resident Engagement
8. Communications
9. Sustainable Financing
St. Johnsbury Collective Impact

Northeast Kingdom Region, Vermont

Photo Credit: Claire Dunne Johnson
Expanding to Community

Expand ALIGNED STRATEGIES...

Focus exclusively on CMS beneficiaries

Works on an individual level

Connection between clinical and social service supports

...to include COMMUNITY PREVENTION

Expanded focus includes all community residents in a geographic area

Also works on a community level (policy, systems, and environmental change)

Alignment between clinical, social service supports, and broader community change efforts to promote health