



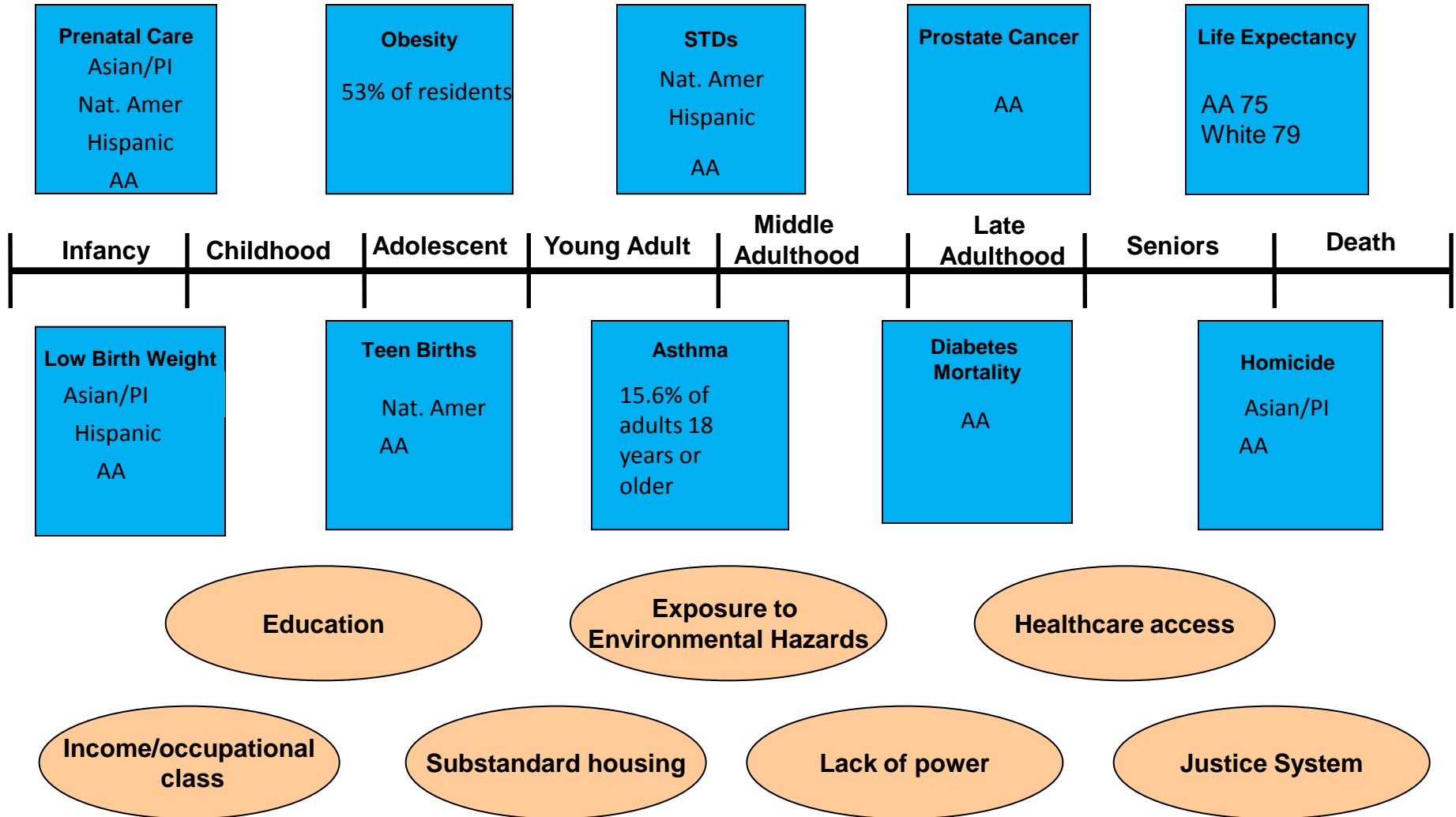
Minority Health Month: Government and Community Approaches for Addressing Health Inequities

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Health Inequity Lifecourse



See resource page for specific information relating to each of these indicators.



Assuring Equity in our Practice and Approach

- Programs that are community-based and community led (Healthy Birth Initiative, Future Generations Project)
- Reflective analysis that improves programs, practices and policies (Equity and Empowerment Lens)

EQUITY AND EMPOWERMENT LENS

WHAT is it?

It is a framework of:

- 9 Questions
- Focus on IMPACT in the areas of:
People, Place, Process, Power
- 6 Outcome Areas
- supporting educational materials

WHY is Mult Co using it?

- We all benefit economically, educationally, and socially when ALL of our communities are thriving
- The time to act was yesterday
- The data has been presented, and is clear
- Our communities have spoken on these priorities
- As public servants we have an obligation to act



Equity and Empowerment Lens Outcomes

- Individual understanding
- Improved policy development and language
- Strategic planning
- Workplanning
- Facilitation
- Decision-making
- ***Better outcomes for the communities we serve!!***

Community-Based Approaches (Alberto)

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OHEA Policy Platform

- Tuition equity for undocumented students
- Driver's license restoration for undocumented immigrants
- Prenatal health care for all women
- Cultural competency training for health professionals
- Improved racial, ethnic, and language data collection and analysis

Updates from the Capital...



Thanks!

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