# Office of Minority Health at Columbus Public Health

## 2017 Accomplishments

## **Cultural Connections**



**6,766** interpretation and translation services provided

**124 reviews** of cultural documents





## Community Action



98 events sponsored by or participated in

**32 articles** shared with the community

### **Grant Funds**

**\$8,000** Ohio Commission on Minority Health - Minority Health Month Grant

**\$52,500** Ohio Commission on Minority Health - Local Office of Minority Health Continuation Grant





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## **Evaluating Community**



**596 surveys** collected from community presentations, forums and events, including:

- Mexican Consulate
- Cultural Humility presentations
- MARTTI/Vocalink training
- Native American Indian Center of Central Ohio
- Minority Health Advisory Committee

### Minority Health Month



Addressing disparities among minority populations in Columbus

1,082 community residents

served throughout the month

602 screenings provided

**30 day campaign** on health awareness and disease prevention

12 activities organized

### **More 2017 Accomplishments**

#### **Community Outreach**

- Maintained continuous community presence at signature community events, including: The Latino Festival; The National African American Male Wellness Walk Initiative; The Bhutanese Nepali Access to Care Health and Wellness Fair; The Somali Health Fair; The Pride Festival; and National Night Out.
- Conducted Measles Outreach to the Columbus Somali community, including organized community forums, presentations and the distribution of educational materials.
- Facilitated Somali Food Safety classes in collaboration with the Food Protection Program.
- Conducted 3 presentations to minority communities at Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services (ETSS), Bhutanese Nepali Community of Columbus (BNCC) and the Eastside Library on emergency preparedness in collaboration with the Emergency Preparedness team.

#### **Government & Partnerships**

- Conducted 2 City Council Hearings on issues concerning minority health populations, focusing on infant mortality, sexual health/ STIs, chronic disease and access to care.
- Received Minority Health Month Resolution from Columbus City Council.
- **Distributed Local Conversations Data Report** and presented to Ohio Commission on Minority Health, the Minority Health Advisory Committee, and Columbus Public Health.

#### **Minority Health Month**

Facilitated Minority Health Month activities and events, including: Health Expo; Mexican Consulate Minority Health Month; OSU Cultural Humility Presentation; Franklin County Community Agency Presentation; Storytelling Training; Otterbein University Cultural Humility Presentation; OMH/Otterbein University Health and Wellness Event; Native American Indian Center of Central Ohio (NAICCO) Fresh Produce Market Day; Healthy Gatherings Workshop; Minority Health Hearing; and Somali Health and Wellness Fair.

#### **Event Leadership**

- Spearheaded CPH National African American Male Wellness Walk Initiative activities and representation.
- Hosted the Mexican Consulate in April and October 2017.
- Hosted the Somali Health and Wellness Event in May 2017.
- Held Minority Health Advisory Committee meeting and networking initiatives.

#### **Our Team**

- Continued integration of the Centers for Disease Control's PHAP Associate into the Office of Minority Health through the New Americans Initiative
- Recognized by the Spirit of Public Health Award which was presented to the Office of Minority Health Director at the 2017 All Staff meeting for his work addressing health disparities of Columbus residents.
- Participated in CPH activities, including Quality of Work Life initiatives, Diversity & Equity Committee initiatives, Inclusive Workplace Initiative Committee, and Division Retreat planning initiatives.

### Planning for **Success**

#### 2018 Areas of Focus

**Continuation of the Local Conversations** minority population data collection:

- Health care access
- Health care concerns
- Health care disparities

Collaborate with PHAP Associate to continue communication, marketing and social media Emergency Preparedness tools for minority populations.

**Community safety initiatives** partnering with the Columbus CARE coalition

**Outreach to the Iraqi population** via the New Americans Initiative

#### Minority Health Month Initiatives/ Collaborations:

- Advisory Planning Committee Meetings
- Bhutanese Nepali Health and Wellness Event
- · City Council Hearings
- Clinical Management of Sexually Transmitted Infections: Update 2018
- Commission Health Expo
- · Mexican Consulate
- Otterbein University Health and Wellness Event
- Somali Health and Wellness Event

### African American community initiatives:

- Further involvement and collaboration with the National African American Male Wellness Walk Initiative
- Develop networking opportunities with African American agencies to collaborate on health care issues and events
- Collectively engage leaders and organizations for greater impact on health disparities within the community