April is Minority Health Month

CDC’s Office of Minority Health and Health Equity invites you to celebrate Minority Health Month by exploring the evolution of minority health in the United States.

More information is available online: www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth

A Look Back


1915  Booker T. Washington launches National Negro Health Week

1955  HHS establishes the Indian Health Service (IHS)

1966  Launch of Community Health & Migrant Health Centers

1970  Establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

1985  Secretary’s Task Force on Black & Minority Health

1986  HHS Office of Minority Health (OMH) & CDC’s Office of Minority Health established

1990  CDC publishes “Healthy People 2000”

1993  U.S. Surgeon General’s Hispanic/Latino Health Initiative Report

1993  IHS publishes “Trends in Indian Health”

2000  Executive Order 13166 for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

2009  Executive Order 13515 White House Initiative & President’s Advisory Commission on Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders

2010  Affordable Care creates six Offices of Minority Health

2011  HHS launches the National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities

2011  CDC releases “CDC Health Disparities and Inequalities Report – U.S.”

2013  Healthy People launches Social Determinants of Health topic area