

News from the Legacy Community Alliance for Health (LCAH)

Appleton is the first community in Wisconsin to pass a Health in All Policies Ordinance!

Appleton staff attended a Health in All Policies (HiAP) training with LCAH colleagues in spring 2017. Staff that attended thought that one way to institutionalize considerations of health equity in day to day decision making in the city was to pass an HiAP ordinance. Appleton Health Department Officer Kurt Eggebrecht and his colleagues



formed a interdepartmental "Health in All Policies team," which spent the next few months drafting an ordinance and presenting it – and the social determinants of health model – to key committees and stakeholders in the community to increase common language, understanding, and buy in. The city passed the ordinance in December 2018 and is working to implement it, beginning with a focus on accessible built environment structures that promote health and safety. Learn more by accessing these resources:

- January 2018 Article: Creating a Healthier, More Equitable Appleton
- April 2018 Webinar: Passing a Health in All Policies Ordinance in the City of Appleton

Green Tier Legacy Community Annual Meeting

LCAH hosted a breakout session on how to consider health in Comprehensive Planning during the Legacy Community Annual Meeting in Stevens Point in May 2018. Speakers included:

- · Ned Noel, City of Eau Claire
- Nan Fey, representing the City of Bayfield
- Tom Barron, East Central Regional Planning Commission
- Lisa Charron, Wisconsin Obesity Prevention Initiative

The session was well-attended and resulted some great conversations between Green Tier members. You can view notes from the session and access resources provided by our speakers on Wisconsin Comprehensive Plans that do a good job of incorporating health and equity here.



News on Health Equity

How can City Hall improve our health? A new push in Pinellas hopes to show the way, July 2018.

A hospital, charitable organization, and the city of St. Petersburg FL are teaming up on a "Health in All Policies" project aimed at getting local officials to think more deeply about the impact of their decisions on resident's health and well-being.

<u>Is Your City Helping You Be Healthy? The Rankings Are In</u>, June 2018 "Your mayor, city council and city manager has just as much of an impact on your health as your doctor," say the authors of a new report.

Assessing 'Equity' With Every Policy Decision Still Rare But Growing, April 2018 Maryland's largest jurisdiction is poised to create a new policy mandating that all its actions be weighed against how they might affect equity — racial and otherwise — among its roughly 1 million residents.

<u>Loneliness May Be a Bigger Public Health Threat Than Smoking or Obesity</u>, May 2018 Governments are just starting to confront the issue.

Learning & Funding Opportunities

<u>Evidence at Your Fingertips: Tools to inform decision making</u>, July 24 at 2 pm CT, County Health Rankings and Roadmaps. Join this webinar to hear about how evidence can inform decision making and details on two resources to use: <u>What Works for Health</u> and <u>Streetsmart</u>. <u>Tomorrow!</u>

<u>Human Impact Partners</u> recently hosted a four-part webinar series on health equity cosponsored by Government Alliance on Race and Equity, the National Collaborative for Health Equity, and the National Association of County and City Health Officers' Health Equity and Social Justice Committee. You can view recordings and resources here.

The Healthy Food Policy Project developed an online policy database to help identify local laws that can improve access to healthy food across the food system which focus on socially disadvantaged groups, and approach health holistically to include environmental and economic goals. Learn how the database was developed, the range of policies it includes, and how it can be used to support healthy eating policy work by accessing the recording of this webinar here.

A recent webinar, <u>Finding Food in Your City Government</u>, co-hosted by GovEx and the John Hopkins Center for a Livable Future on June 7 featured advice and diverse experiences working with and within city governments to address food systems issues in Milwaukee (WI), Columbus (OH) and Baltimore (MD).

The Kresge Foundation's Health Program is launching a <u>new funding opportunity</u> to promote housing affordability and quality in U.S. cities. "We're seeking to identify and accelerate community-led policy and system changes that reduce displacement, segregation and gentrification, as well as support innovative funding strategies that better connect housing and health sectors and recognize multi-sector partnerships that preserve and increase the supply of stable housing for improved health, well-being and health equity in low-income communities," said Stacey Barbas, senior program officer with the Health Program. The program is accepting applications through August 13.

Save the Date: Wisconsin Healthiest State Summit, September 20-21, 2018 in Green Bay. This summit will include training and spotlights on community engagement, health framing, health equity, policy priorities and strategies to pursue them. Travel support is available through LCAH if cost is an issue for you; contact us if you'd like to request support.

City of Madison Comprehensive Plan: Embedding Health and Equity Into Comprehensive Planning, August 30, 2018. On this webinar, City of Madison Staff will provide an overview of their draft Comprehensive Plan, how it was developed, and describe the approach used to embed health and equity throughout the plan. This webinar is offered through the Wisconsin HIA-HiAP Network; you can sign up for their updates by contacting Lindsay Menard at La Crosse County Human Services Department.

Data & Tools for Your Work

The <u>Wisconsin Health Atlas</u> has a wealth of resources on the health of Wisconsin residents and communities, including local and statewide policies and data resources, and scorecards to use to assess urban, rural and suburban Comprehensive Plans.

The <u>Wisconsin Food Security Project</u> provides local information about food security infrastructure, and includes ways to create maps, charts and profile summaries for cities and counties.

What Works for Health, a project of County Health Rankings and Roadmaps, is a comprehensive collection of evidence-informed policies to move the needle on health equity. You can explore policies by searching, browse all policies, and see the strength of evidence that supports policies you might be interested in.

The <u>Wisconsin Obesity Prevention Initiative</u> released its statewide <u>Obesity Map</u> in July 2018. The map shows obesity rates by zip code and age.

<u>Eight Strategies for Postindustrial Success: Tools for Local Leaders in America's Smaller Legacy Cities</u> links to many helpful toolkits and resources on a wide range of intersecting topics, from economic development to engaging local residents.

If you have questions about the Legacy Community Alliance for Health, or would like more information, please <u>contact Katya Szabados</u>, LCAH Project Manager.

