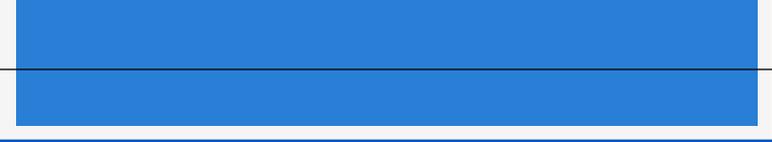




30 Years of  
Advancing  
Health Equity

Tuesday, March 3, 2015





The 2015 Minority Health Month  
theme is:

30 Years of Advancing Health Equity,  
The Heckler Report: A force for ending health  
disparities in America



Health Equity

Volume I  
Executive Summary

Report of the  
Secretary's Task  
Force on

Black &  
Minority  
Health

Margaret M. Heckler  
Secretary

U.S. Department of Health and  
Human Services



In 1985, the Heckler Report identified the following six areas of health concern:

- Cancer
- Cardiovascular disease and stroke
- chemical dependency related to cirrhosis of the liver
- Diabetes
- Homicides and accidents
- Infant mortality



Equality

A graphic featuring the word "Equality" in large, bold, colorful letters. Each letter is held up by a hand of a different skin tone, symbolizing diversity and equality. The letters are: 'E' (yellow), 'q' (red), 'u' (green), 'a' (blue), 'l' (purple), 'i' (purple), 't' (yellow), and 'y' (red). The hands are positioned below the letters, holding them from underneath. The background is white, and the entire graphic is set against a blue border with a geometric pattern.



# Definition of Health Equity

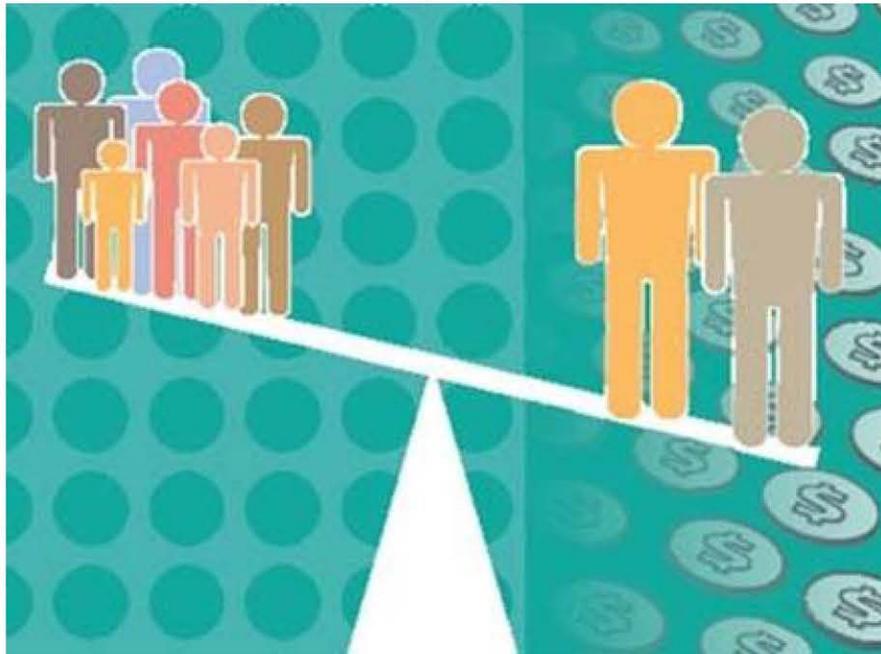
The "attainment of the highest level of health for all people.

Achieving health equity requires **valuing everyone equally** with focused and ongoing societal efforts to address avoidable inequities, historical and contemporary injustices, and the elimination of health and health care disparities."









# Health Equity Impact Assessment



# Definition of Health Disparities

A particular type of health difference that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage.



# Definition of Health Disparities

Health disparities adversely affect groups of people who have systemically experienced greater obstacles to health, based on their racial or ethnic group, religion, socioeconomic status, gender, age, mental health, cognitive, sensory, or physical disability, geographic location, or other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion.







# { APRIL is NATIONAL MINORITY HEALTH MONTH }



An inclusive initiative that addresses the health needs of African Americans, Hispanics, Asians, Native Americans, and other minorities. Its goal is to strengthen the capacity of local communities to eliminate the disproportionate burden of premature death and preventable illness in minority populations through prevention, early detection, and control of disease complications. ■

“A population is a health disparity population if there is a significant (difference) in the overall rate of disease incidence, prevalence, morbidity, mortality or survival rates in the population as compared to the health status of the general population.”

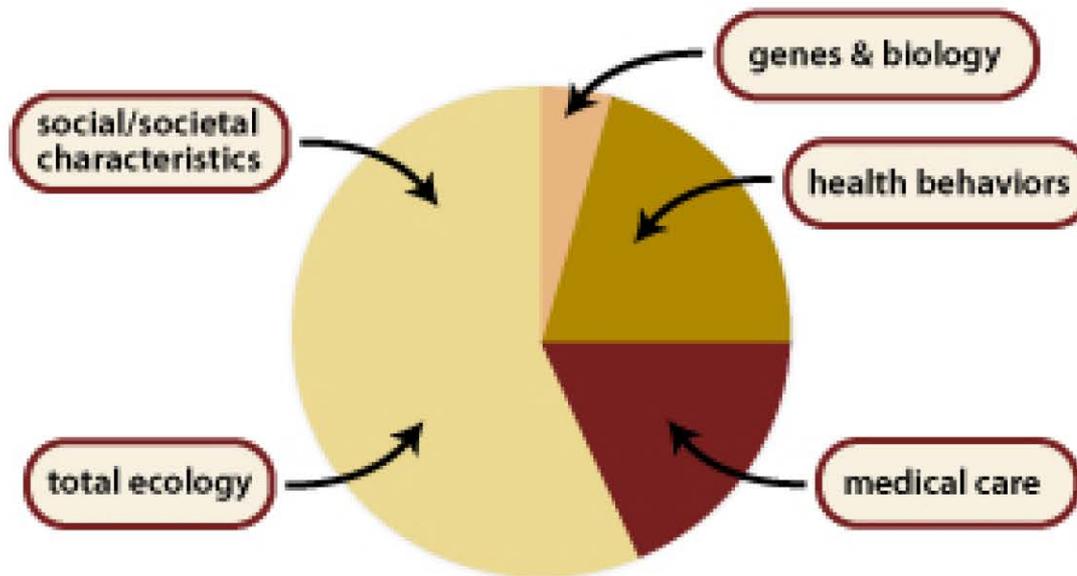
Minority Health and Health Disparities Research and Education Act United States  
Public Law 106-525 (2000), p. 2498



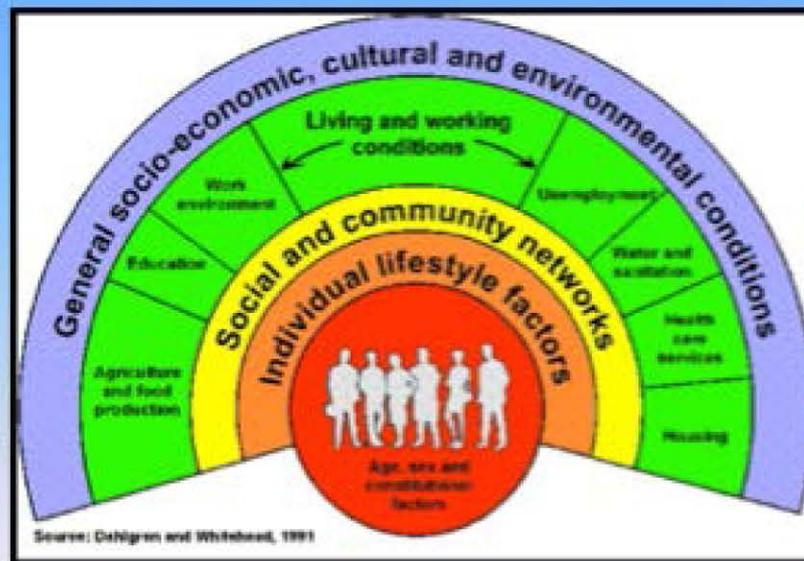




## DETERMINANTS OF POPULATION HEALTH

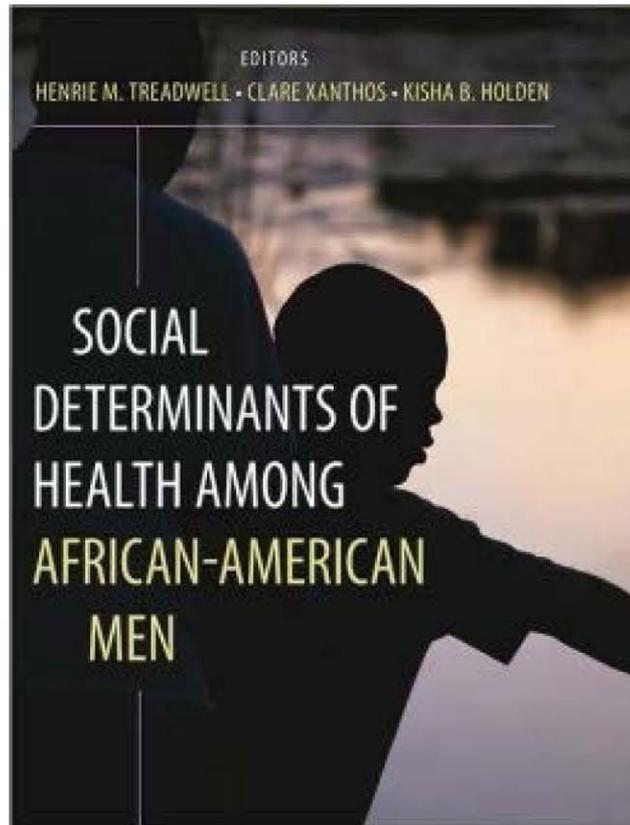


# Social Determinants of Health



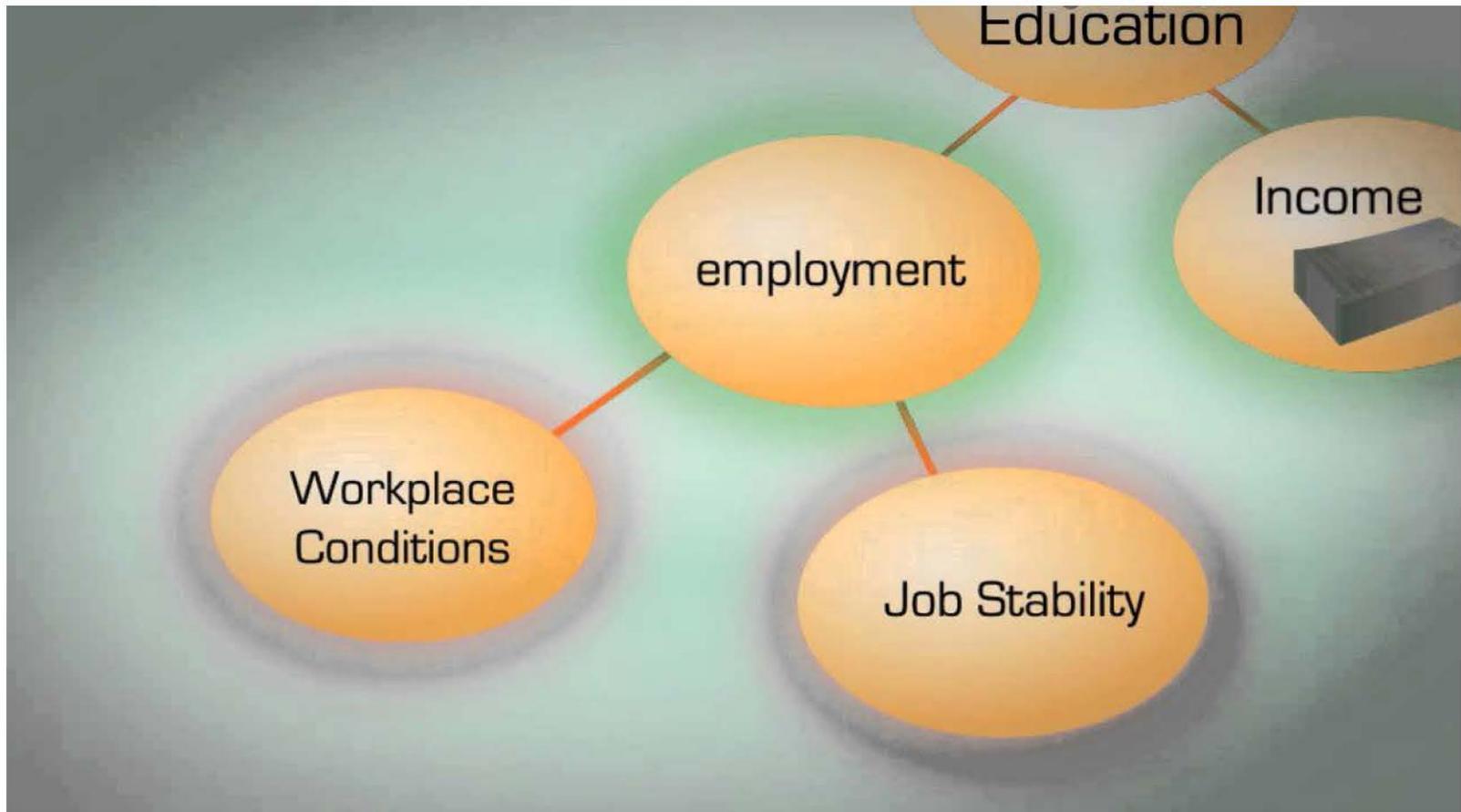
# **SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH**

Income  
Education  
Race & Ethnicity  
Transportation  
Housing  
Insurance  
Food Access  
Complex Health Needs



## Why Emphasize Social Determinants?

- Social determinants of health have a direct impact on health
- Social determinants structure other causes of health:
  - Environment
  - Behaviour
  - Services
- The ‘causes of the causes’



**CODE**

**RED**

WHERE YOU LIVE  
AFFECTS YOUR HEALTH



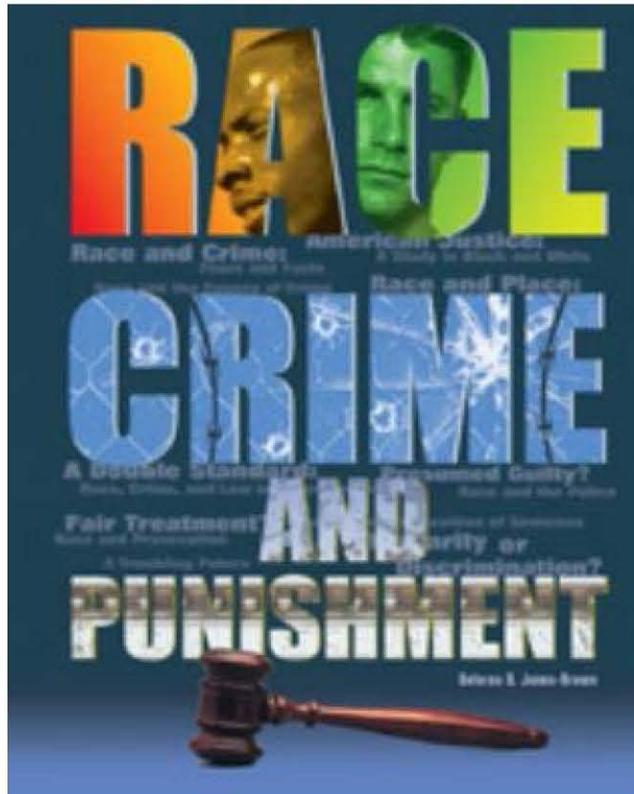




to End Health Disparities



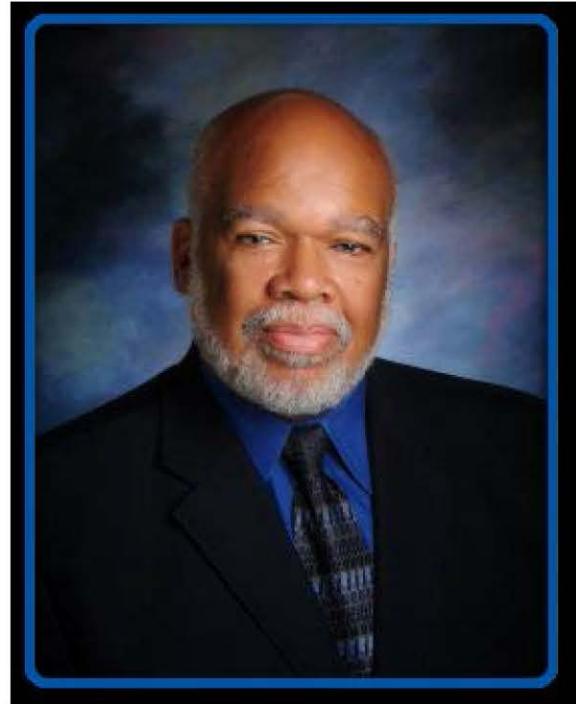




**Obesity, hypertension  
and diabetes are just three  
diseases that  
disproportionately affect  
communities of color.**

**Dr. Adewale Troutman**

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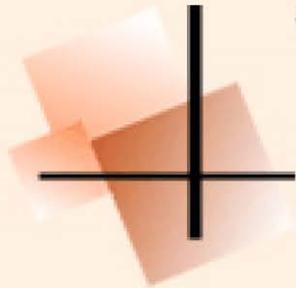
**You don't have to let  
your life be destroyed  
by diabetes. You can  
reclaim your life.**

Della Reese

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 **OMH** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Office of Minority Health

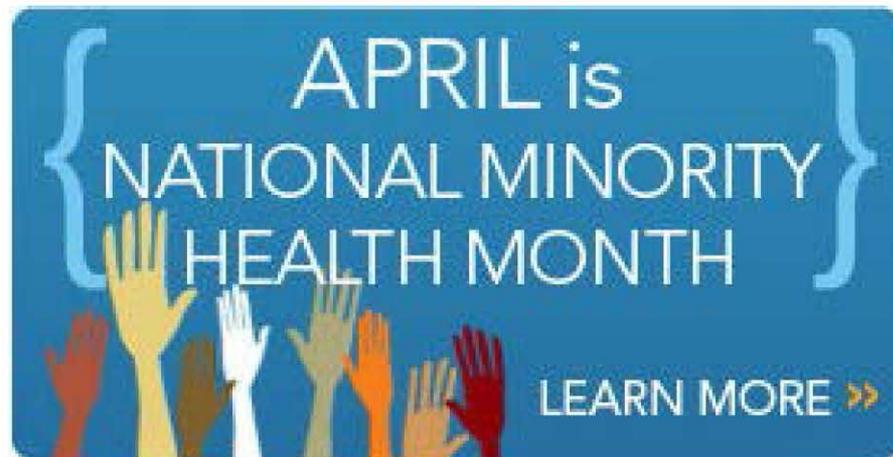


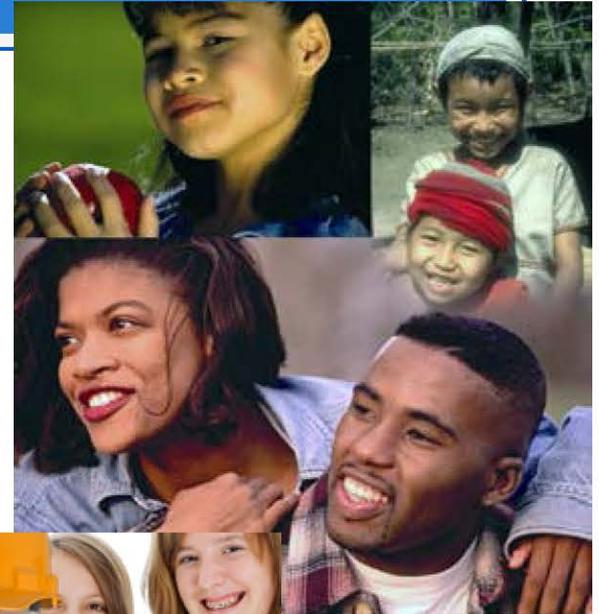
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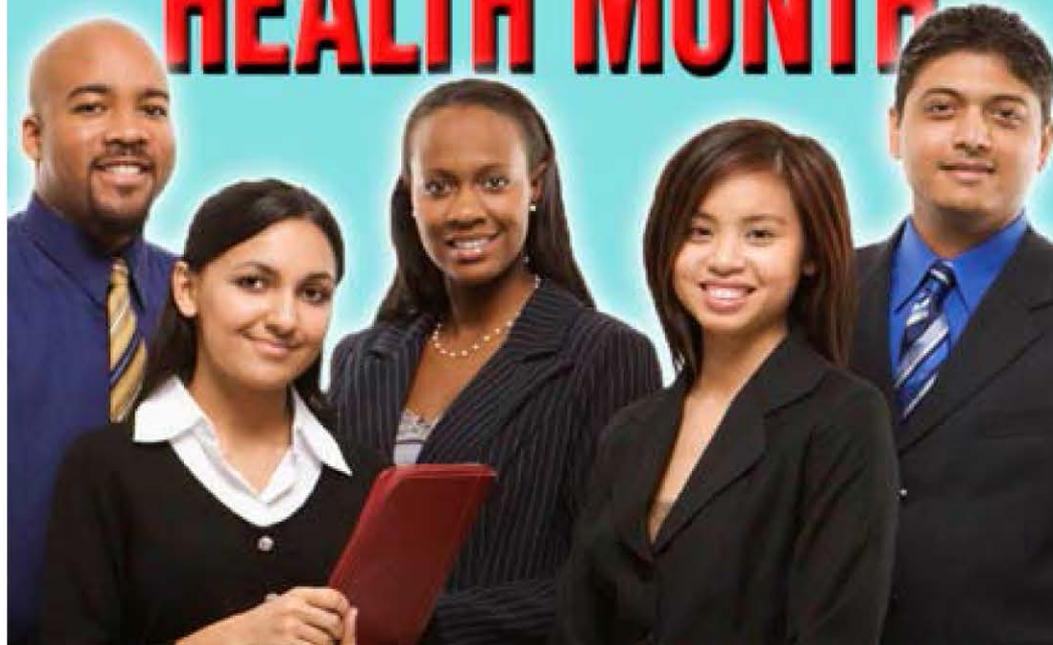
Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health







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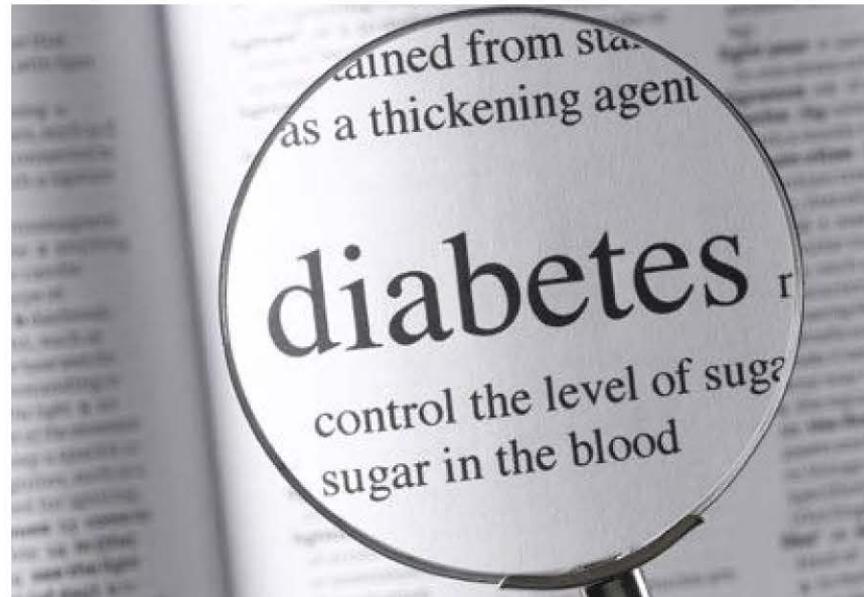
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CONTROL AND PREVENTION**



IMAGINE  
a nation free  
of disparities  
in health  
and health care







# Diabetes

## Diabetes

... which  
high blood sugar levels in  
insulin is the hormone that  
regulates glucose in the  
chronic conditions that

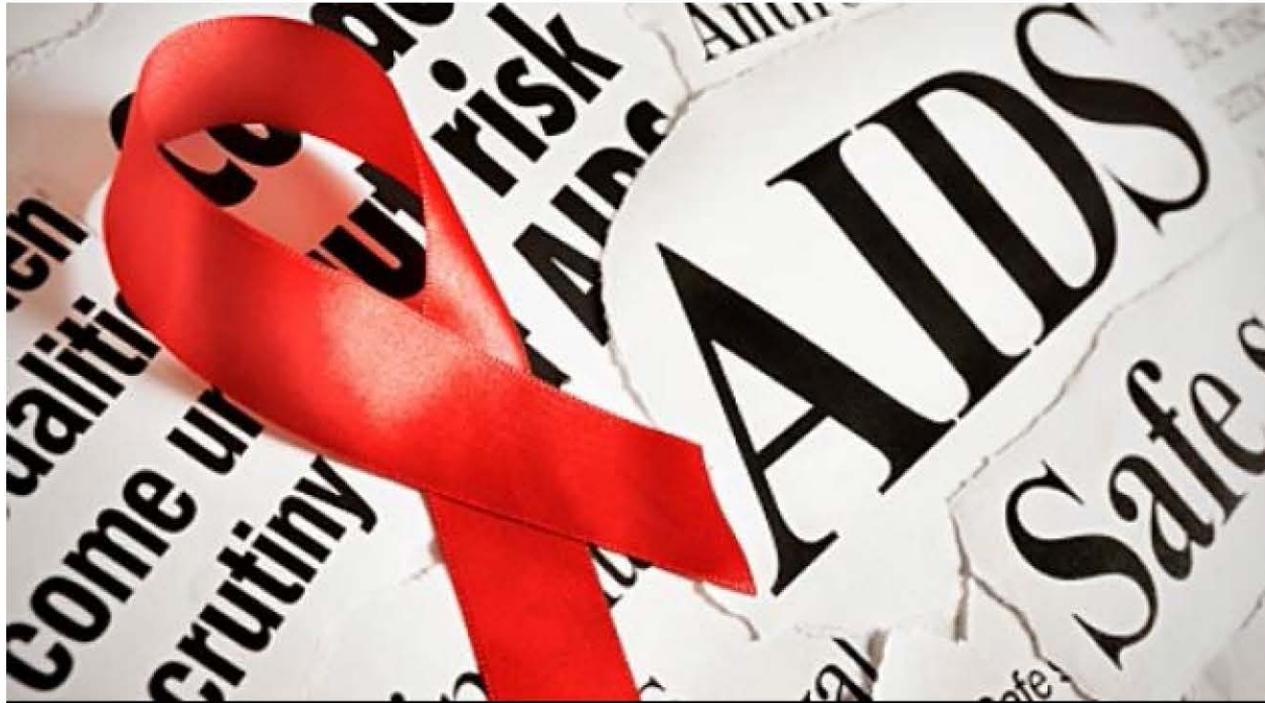
**Get Educated**



**HIV  
AIDS  
Is  
A  
Silent  
Killer**



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Turning up  
the Volume

on Infant Mortality

*Every Baby Matters!*