



HEALTH EQUITY ZONES INITIATIVE

Community Advisory Council
Wednesday, October 25, 2022

Meeting Outcomes

Awareness of the upcoming in-person CAC meeting and what to expect.

Shared understanding around what decisions have been made so far and what is upcoming.

Determine how communities most impacted by inequity will be identified.

Contribute to the development of a decision-making tool for zone selection.

Community Agreements

- Assume positive intent.
- Acknowledge and accept impact.
- Be aware of the space you take up.
- Engage in dialogue – not debate.
- Hold yourself and others accountable for demonstrating cultural humility.
- Be open, transparent, and willing to make mistakes.
- Embrace the power of humble listening.
- Create trusting and brave spaces – where a little bit of discomfort is okay.
- Commit to having conversations that matter by speaking up to bridge divides.
- Define terms – don't assume that everyone knows specialty acronyms or terms.

Relationship Building

- In pairs, spend a few minutes connecting with one another (doesn't have to be HEZ related!)
- Guiding questions (but feel free to use your own):
 - What is your favorite holiday tradition?
 - What is a childhood memory that brings you joy?

Community Updates

Are there any resources, events, or updates happening in your community that you would like to share with the CAC?

Community Workgroup Update

WHO

- There were 10 participants from across the state
- Including 3 new CW members

WHAT

- Staff shared results from the evaluation survey and Jamboard activity
- Members reviewed and provided feedback on the HEZ strategy chart

WHEN

- Meetings take place on the 2nd Thursday of each month
- The next meeting is on Thursday, December 8 from 1-3pm (revisiting time of meetings to increase participation)
- Orientation for new members from 12:30-1pm

In-Person CAC Meeting: November 17

Meeting Outcomes:

- Relationship building
- Establish shared understanding of communities most impacted by inequities
- Understanding of statewide health disparities data
- Identify criteria for selecting zones

Logistics:

- Lodging will be provided on Wednesday, November 16 at the Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel
- Members will be provided travel reimbursement
- Fill out statewide vendor registration and non-employee travel authorization forms
- Hybrid option will be available

What decisions have been made?

Developed a nomination process for selecting zones

Established criteria for which communities will be eligible to be nominated as zones, including,

- Geographic size – cities, zip codes, neighborhoods, census-tracts
- Population size – small enough so that every community member can participate
- Types of groups – community-based organizations, coalitions, networks, collaboratives, non-profits, local government. For-profit organizations not eligible.

Determined the types of technical assistance that DOH will provide such as,

- Q&A webinars
- Data use trainings
- Narrative writing support (consultant)
- Accept submissions in written, video, or audio format
- Offer and accept submissions in multiple languages

What decisions are upcoming?

Identifying priorities for zone selection that centers communities most impacted by inequities, including,

- Type of geography – urban, rural
- Demographics – communities of color, Native communities, immigrant populations, communities experiencing poverty
- Communities impacted by specific health equity issues – mental health, social determinants, environmental injustice

Finalize nomination form and selection process

How do we identify communities most impacted by inequity?

Goals identified by the CAC

1.

Select zones based on communities with the greatest need

2.

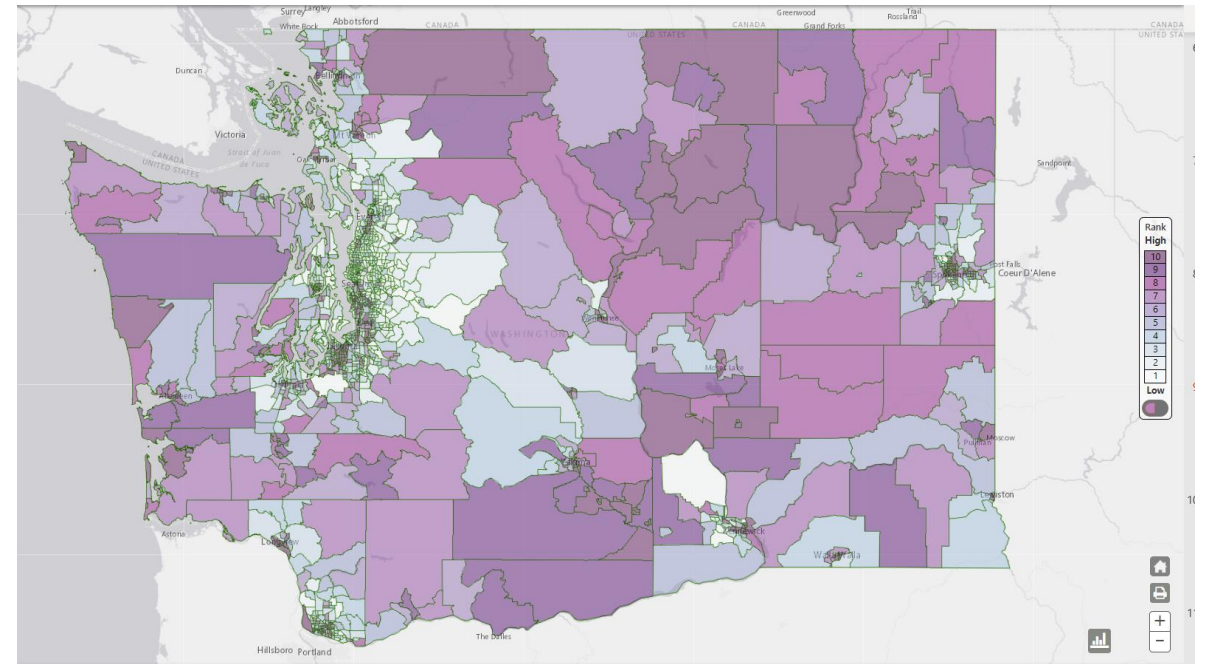
Recognize the impacts of structural racism and systemic injustice

3.

Demonstrate transparency in the process

Proposed Metric Options

- Life expectancy
- Infant mortality
- Poverty
- Education
- Food security
- Noise and air pollution
- Provider-to-population ratio
- Travel time to nearest source of care
- Uninsured





10 Minute Break

Strategy Chart & Assessment Tool





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