

Revised Healthy Communities Action Team Goals

- 1. Provide all residents with equitable access to resources and conditions that support optimal health and well-being consistent with the principles of the World Health Organization's constitution which commits to "the highest attainable standard of health as a fundamental right of every human being."**
 - a. Increase available resources and capacity at the state and local levels to support efforts that are focused on addressing root causes of health inequities and health disparities, and prioritizing the needs of those furthest behind first.
 - b. Make data regarding health outcomes and health factors available in a format that is understandable and useable at a municipal or neighborhood level to support cross-sector, collaborative healthy community planning.
 - c. Deploy new models for meaningful participation of populations and communities most affected by health disparities as part of state and local planning, policy and decision-making.
- 2. Establish inclusive and just systems, resources, and policies to ensure that racial equity, affordability, stability, safety, and political capital, are consciously interwoven into the cultural fabric.**
 - a. Make health and health equity a priority in statewide and local strategic planning and policy.
 - b. Ensure that decision-makers (state and local government officials, non-governmental organizations, funders, businesses and investors, etc.) are informed about the local health issues and consequences of various policy options during the policy development process.
 - c. Build decision-support tools, guidance, training and other support mechanisms to proliferate knowledge transfer about data-driven policy, systems and environmental (PSE) change.
- 3. Ensure public accountability and transparency of efforts to advance just policy, systems and environmental changes to ensure health equity for all residents.**
 - a. Develop and implement a statewide community-focused dashboard of indicators to identify issues and areas where a dedicated focus on policy, systems and environmental change is needed to advance health equity and to monitor and track progress in advancing transformative change leading to health equity.
 - b. Establish a public advisory body to create a statewide shared vision for a state and local Health in All Policies framework for New Jersey, set priorities for policy, systems and environmental changes, and forge cross-sector partnerships among state and local agencies, community leaders, business and investors, funders, and the academic community.
 - c. Ensure sustainable resources for efforts to advance optimal health as the right of every New Jerseyan.

APPENDIX: Overarching Statement and Defining Elements of a Health Community

