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Chronic Disease Prevention & Health Promotion

Community & Adolescent Health (CAH)

Tobacco Control
& Prevention
Program
(TCPP)

Racial & Ethnic
Approaches to
Community Health
(REACH)



Chronic Disease Prevention & Health Promotion Philosophy & Purpose

Prevention &
Health
Promotion
Rationale

The Prevention & Health Promotion unit works to reduce the occurrence of Multnomah County's leading causes of death by creating community contexts that promote health and protect against preventable injury and chronic disease.

Prevention &
Health
Promotion
Strategies

What promotes health and prevents injury & disease?

How do you change social/economic conditions, physical conditions, and behavior?

How do you maximize impact?

Who is most impacted?

Why are BIPOC disproportionately impacted?

Social & economic conditions, physical conditions, and behavior account for an estimated 80% of health outcomes. Medical care only accounts for 20%.

Impacting the major factors shaping health outcomes at a large scale requires **policy**, **systems**, **and environmental changes**.

To have the maximum impact on population health, interventions should focus on **those most impacted** by adverse health outcomes and their causes.

BIPOC are living with and dying from the leading causes of death at higher rates than whites.

Health disparities among BIPOC are rooted in policies, systems, and environments shaped by **structural racism**.

Taking **upstream** approaches

Creating **population-level** impact

Designing initiatives that are place-based and culturally specific Engaging community and honoring community

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Advancing **health equity** & **healing trauma**



Equity in County Practices Access to parks and natural resources

Access to affordable, healthy, local food Equitable law and justice system

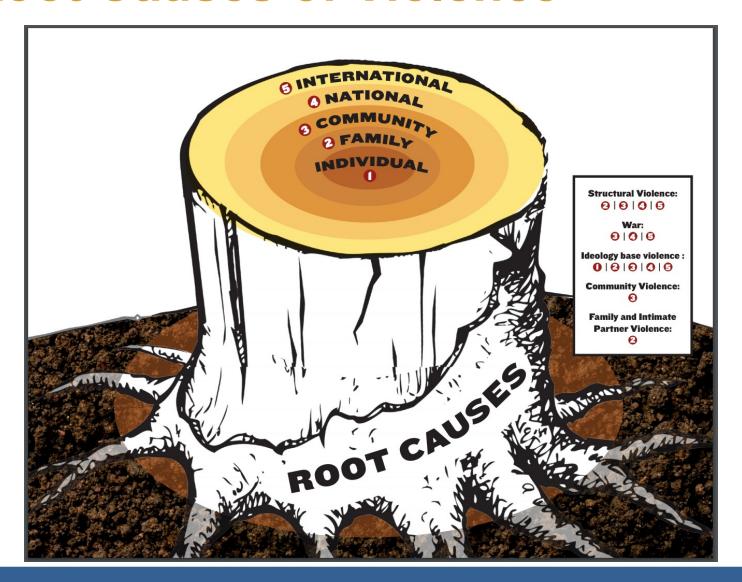
Community and public safety

Economic development Strong, vibrant neighborhoods

Access to safe and efficient transportation



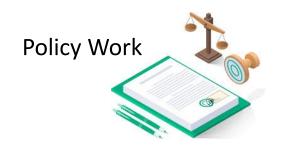
Root Causes of Violence





Community & Adolescent Health Program









Built Environment



Health Education & the Adolescent Brain





Collaborate



Think Critically



Develop Social & Emotional Skills



Communicate Effectively



Solve Problems

Adolescence is the time to develop these skills.

Why? Adolescents' brains are growing and changing as they prepare for adulthood.

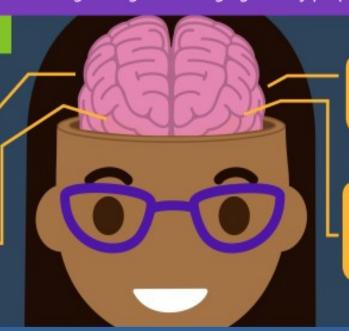
THE ADOLESCENT BRAIN IS

Hardwiring Important Skills

Connections related to important skills become stronger, and connections to skills that are not being used are removed.

Becoming More Efficient

The brain increases speed between connections, making them more efficient.



Preparing for Change

Experiences during the adolescent years drive the brain to adapt for future needs.

Creating Connections

The brain starts creating more complex connections, making it easier to engage in advanced thinking and mental tasks.

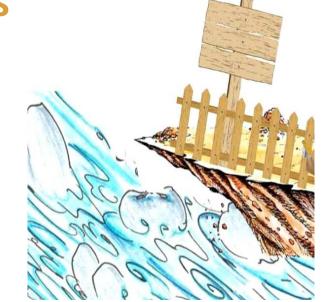


Partnering with Community Based Organizations

Culturally Specific Services eliminate structural barriers and provide a sense of safety and belonging that will lead to better outcomes for people experiencing racism and discrimination; and improve overall health and well being.

Connect with leaders at **partner organizations** to promote engagement and to:

- Define and prioritize goals.
- Review, select, adapt curriculum and interventions
- Develop data and evaluation practices
- Implement strategies
- Review/ revisit strategies for fit and quality













- Violence Prevention as a Public Health Issue
- Sexuality Education for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Popular Education Teaching
- Sex Ed Basics
- Coaching Boys into Men facilitators training
- Parent/Guardian and Trusted Adult Workshops

- Racial and Gender Justice in Health Education
- Trauma-Informed approaches to Classroom Management
- Safe and supportive environments
- Consent
- Birth Control and Contraceptives
- Healthy Relationships and Communication
- Other curriculum specific topics and more!



CBIM



In Multnomah County, CBIM has been **successfully implemented** in school athletic programs, churches, non-traditional school settings, and summer programs.

The Coaching Boys INTO MEN (CBIM) program facilitates these connections by providing high school athletic coaches and mentors with the resources they need to promote respectful behavior among their players and help prevent relationship abuse, harassment, and sexual assault





Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

- A set of principles for changing the built environment in order to create safer neighborhoods
- CPTED strategies rely upon our ability to create connected neighborhoods where people feel a sense of commitment to their community to behave in safe ways.

The **Public Health** approach is to **create safe spaces** for community members to frequent while discouraging crime.. **Place-making as peace-making.**

