

Racism is a Public Health Crisis: What this means and opportunities for action
February 8, 2021

Resources

NOTE: The resources provided below are intended to provide additional information based on the questions folks asked during the February 8, 2021 session. The materials below are not exhaustive and do not represent a systematic look at any particular issue, but will hopefully get you interested folks started on a path of further exploration. Please feel free to reach out to Paula at ptran@wisc.edu.

Racism is a Public Health Crisis Sign-on and Action Resources

<https://uwphi.pophealth.wisc.edu/match/match-wisconsin-healthiest-state-initiative/racism-is-a-public-health-crisis-in-wisconsin/>

**everyone that signs up, will automatically receive information on the Community of Practice*

The Racism is a Public Health Crisis Action Toolkit has information on policies and assessments that can be a good starting point for action:

<https://uwphi.pophealth.wisc.edu/match/match-wisconsin-healthiest-state-initiative/racism-is-a-public-health-crisis-in-wisconsin/#action-toolkit>

Race vs Ethnicity

WI Department of Health Services: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/disparities.htm>

CDC- Health Equity Considerations

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/health-equity/race-ethnicity.html>

Financial Costs of Racism

*There are many caveats to these studies and it is important to not overlook the social impacts of racism

International Monetary Fund

<https://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/fandd/2020/09/the-economic-cost-of-racism-losavio.htm>

NPR: <https://www.npr.org/sections/live-updates-protests-for-racial-justice/2020/09/23/916022472/cost-of-racism-u-s-economy-lost-16-trillion-because-of-discrimination-bank-says>

Rice Kinder Institute for Urban Research

<https://kinder.rice.edu/urbanedge/2020/08/03/racism-economics-hurting-american-gdp-and-prosperity-white-people>

Economic Costs of Racism (slightly older resource, but good overview of literature)

https://www.iofc.org/sites/default/files/media/document/da/david_williams_harvard_university_school_of_public_health_usa_-_slides.pdf

Information on Voter ID

Through the lens of public health: Voter suppression and COVID-19:

<http://www.cpreview.org/blog/2020/4/through-the-lens-of-public-health-voter-suppression-and-covid-19>

Meaningful policies that address racism

The Government Alliance on Racial Equity (GARE) is a great starting point:

<https://www.racialequityalliance.org/>