

**Utilizing a National Framework to engage CCO Staff and Board on Health Equity**

The National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities<sup>1</sup> (NPA) is a national movement designed to increase the effectiveness of programs and partners, leaders and stakeholders with the goal of eliminating health disparities. The NPA set forth the following five essential goals necessary for the elimination of health and health care disparities:

<b>Goal</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Notes/highlights/successes</b>	<b>Potential Challenges</b>
<b>Awareness</b>	Increase awareness of the significance of health disparities, their impact on the nation, and the actions necessary to improve health outcomes for racial, ethnic, and underserved populations		
<b>Leadership</b>	Strengthen and broaden leadership for addressing health disparities at all levels		
<b>Health System and Life Experience (Communication)</b>	Improve health and healthcare outcomes for racial, ethnic and underserved populations by examining barriers to care from a variety of perspectives		
<b>Data, research and evaluation</b>	Improve the availability of data and the coordination, utilization and diffusion of research and evaluation outcomes		
<b>Cultural and Linguistic Competency</b>	Improve cultural and linguistic competency and the diversity of the health-related workforce		

<sup>1</sup> For more information visit the National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities <https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/npa/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=1&lvlid=11>