

CCBHC PROGRAM UPDATE

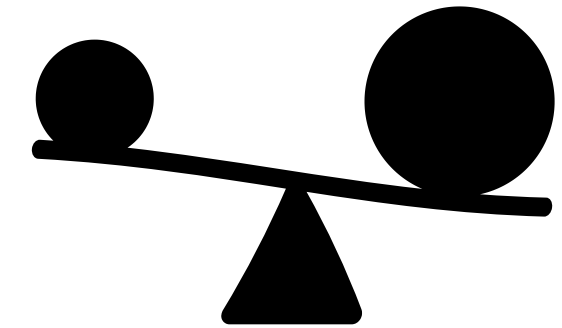
Disparities Impact Statement

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Health Disparities

Healthy People 2030 defines a health disparity as a “particular type of health difference that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage. Health disparities adversely affect groups of people who have systematically experienced greater obstacles to health based on their racial or ethnic group; religion; socioeconomic status; gender; age; disability; mental health; cognitive, sensory, or physical disability; sexual orientation or gender identity; geographic location; or other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion.”



Disparity Impact Statement



The Disparity Impact Statement (DIS) is a:

- data-driven, quality improvement approach to advance equity using grant programs.
- The DIS helps grantees identify underserved populations at risk of experiencing behavioral health disparities.
- The aim is to increase inclusion of underserved populations in SAMHSA-funded grants, achieve behavioral health equity for disparity-vulnerable populations, and help systems better meet the needs of these population.

Underserved Populations

OnPoint has committed to identify, increase, and maintain the number of veterans and Indigenous people served.

OnPoint will increase and maintain the number of veterans served from 2% to 4% and increase the number of indigenous people served by 50% in grant year 1 and maintain a penetration rate of 1.2% throughout the remaining grant years. OnPoint will also increase ongoing depression and suicide risk screenings by 50% as these groups have increased risk of harm to self. Ongoing monitoring will focus on reducing the gap in access and behavioral health outcomes experienced these populations. In addition, OnPoint will work with the 3 tribes in Allegan County to more accurately understand the proportion of Indigenous people served. OnPoint will train and educate staff on proper identification and will strengthen the EHR by tracking with client flags and health maintenance alerts. These flags will be reviewed for culturally appropriate and linguistically responsive care as well as appropriate screenings and evidence-based services.

CLAS Standards

OnPoint selected to expand and improve upon the following CLAS standards throughout the grant to address gaps in service access and utilization and outcomes for disparate populations.

- **Principal Standard**
 - **Standard 1:** Provide effective, equitable, understandable, and respectful quality care and services that are responsive to diverse cultural health beliefs and practices, preferred languages, health literacy, and other communication needs.
- **Governance, Leadership and Workforce**
 - **Standard 4:** Educate and train governance, leadership, and workforce in culturally and linguistically appropriate policies and practices on an ongoing basis.
- **Communication and Language Assistance**
 - **Standard 8:** Provide easy-to-understand print and multimedia materials and signage in the languages commonly used by the populations in the service area.
- **Engagement, Continuous Improvement, and Accountability**
 - **Standard 13:** Partner with the community to design, implement, and evaluate policies, practices, and services to ensure cultural and linguistic appropriateness.

Social Drivers of Health

OnPoint has identified 2 of the 5 SDOH:

- Health Care Access & Quality (transportation problems)
- Economic Stability (proportion of people living in poverty, food insecurity & housing instability).

OnPoint will ensure their planned activities are aligned to address root causes of disparities that they hope to improve.

SDOH Domain	SDOH Goals
Economic stability ★	Help people earn steady incomes that allow them to meet their health needs
Education access and quality	Increase educational opportunities and help children and adolescents do well in school
Health care access and quality ★	Increase access to comprehensive, high-quality health care services
Neighborhood and built environment	Create neighborhoods and environments that promote health and safety
Social and community context	Increase social and community support