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Multicultural Groups Form Health Equity Collaborative

Washington DC, (April 16, 2020) – Today, a broad-based group comprised of national civil rights, progressive, and multicultural organizations announced the launch of the Health Equity Collaborative (www.healthequitycollaborative.org), a newly formed digital education hub dedicated to prioritizing the advancement of health equity.

Featuring a wide-range of diverse membership organizations - unified around the Health Equity Guidelines for the 116th Congress - the Collaborative seeks to eliminate pervasive health disparities through a holistic and intersectional approach to healthcare education and policy.

Today, the nation is witnessing firsthand how the intersections of race, gender and socioeconomic status effect health outcomes as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to disproportionately impact vulnerable populations. Now more than ever, there is a vital need for accurate and culturally competent health information to be disseminated to at-risk populations.

The Collaborative will act as a community-based resource center designed to inform, educate, and elevate the voices of our nations’ most vulnerable and underserved. To better address the unique health needs of diverse communities, the Collaborative includes a database of trusted tools and information to increase convenience of access for groups and individuals alike.

The Collaborative will aim to empower a meaningful and inclusive dialogue around policy solutions and recommendations as outlined in the Health Equity Guidelines.

“The Collaborative will help ensure underrepresented communities facing persistent disadvantage receive the resources necessary to truly break the ongoing cycle of health injustice” said Kevin Kimble, member of the Collaborative and D.C. Bureau Chief of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

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