

Interview Guide for Regional Health Equity Council (RHEC) Subcommittee Chairs

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Methods will also be taken to protect study data. Data from the survey and interviews will not identify any person. Data from the surveys and interviews will be stored in a password-protected database. Only authorized Community Science staff working on the evaluation will have access to the database. The briefs and reports produced for the evaluation will not identify specific individuals. All potentially identifying information will be destroyed at the study's conclusion.

INTERVIEWER: Before the group interview, please review the survey responses of RHEC members and refer to the responses where appropriate in order to probe for further insights into their experiences, accomplishments, and challenges.

- 1. How has your Subcommittee helped the RHEC achieve its goals?
- 2. What knowledge or expertise did RHEC members have that helped the RHEC achieve these accomplishments, if at all? How did this knowledge or expertise contribute to your Subcommittee's accomplishments, if at all?
- 3. What resources or partnerships have your Subcommittee leveraged? How did these resources or partnerships contribute to your Subcommittee's accomplishments, if at all?

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- 4. How did the support from Federal Interagency Health Equity Team members, Office of Minority Health staff, or contractors involved in the implementation of the National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities contribute to these accomplishments, if at all?
- 5. What else might have contributed to these accomplishments?
- 6. How has the RHEC engaged federal agencies (or their regional offices) in its plan and actions to end health disparities?
- 7. How has your Subcommittee engaged state agencies, organizations, or coalitions in its plan and actions to end health disparities, if at all?
- 8. How has your Subcommittee engaged city or county agencies, organizations, or coalitions in its plan and actions to end health disparities, if at all?
- 9. How has your Subcommittee engaged neighborhood, rural, or grassroots groups in its plan and actions to end health disparities?
- 10. What challenges has your Subcommittee faced in carrying out its work? What have you done to overcome these challenges?
- 11. What do you see as opportunities for your Subcommittee in the upcoming year to help advance the RHEC towards it goals?
- 12. What technical assistance and support do you need to help you advance your Subcommittee's work?