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ASPIRATION

Advancing Justice Conference

Affordable Care Act – Implementation & Effects on Midwest AAPI Communities

Sept 27th, 2012





The Midwest Asian American Diaspora

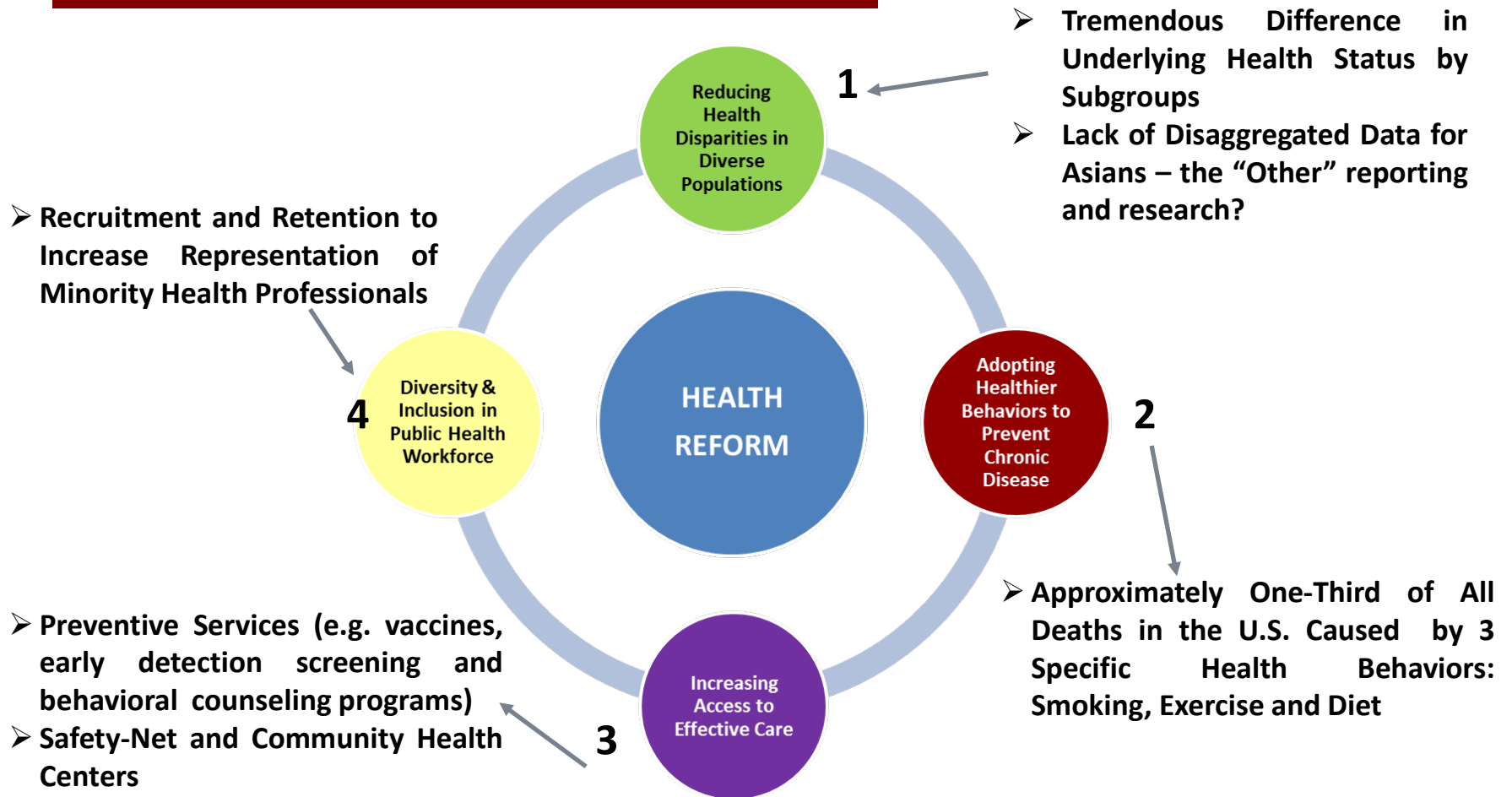
Select Asian Subgroups	Illinois	Indiana	Michigan	Minnesota	Ohio	Wisconsin	Total
South Asian	216,080	28,994	96,075	37,093	67,953	22,986	469,181
Chinese	103,218	22,741	42,640	22,729	43,494	18,060	252,882
Filipino	113,825	9,935	23,372	8,967	18,028	8,581	182,708
Korean	62,401	10,381	24,856	16,856	16,486	8,420	139,400
Hmong	415	114	6,340	60,925	511	46,212	114,517
Vietnamese	26,481	6,448	16,850	22,873	12,867	3,782	89,301
Laotian	5,149	1,615	2,790	11,775	3,327	6,000	30,656
Cambodian	4,037	574	2,127	6,981	4,899	1,376	19,994
Thai	7,566	1,468	1,938	3,071	2,667	1,144	17,854
Other Asian	44,512	17,038	26,915	18,702	21,170	9,656	137,993
TOTAL	583,684	99,308	243,903	209,972	191,402	126,217	1,454,486

Source: 2010 American Community Survey (5 year), census.gov

- **Approximately 1.5 million Asian Americans in the Midwest**
- **Fastest Growing Region for Asian Americans in the Nation**
- **65% Foreign-Born**
- **Koreans, Vietnamese and Chinese in Illinois Without Health Insurance (15% to 22%)**



Public Health Sector Challenges in Midwest





Hot Button Issues - Illinois

STATE HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE

- Illinois Announced its Intention to Run a State-Federal Partnership Exchange in July 2012; Application to HHS Due November 2012
- Illinois Is Choosing to Operate its Plan Management Function but Feds will run most (if not all) of the Consumer Assistance Functions
- The State Intends to Transition to a Fully State-Based Exchange in 2015

MEDICAID EXPANSION

- Discussions Dominated by Budgetary Concerns
- Gov. Quinn Has Announced State Proceeding Forward with Expansion; However Some Pushback by General Assembly
- Enrollment Expected to Grow by 18% (~ 500,000 Individuals)

ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS (EHB)

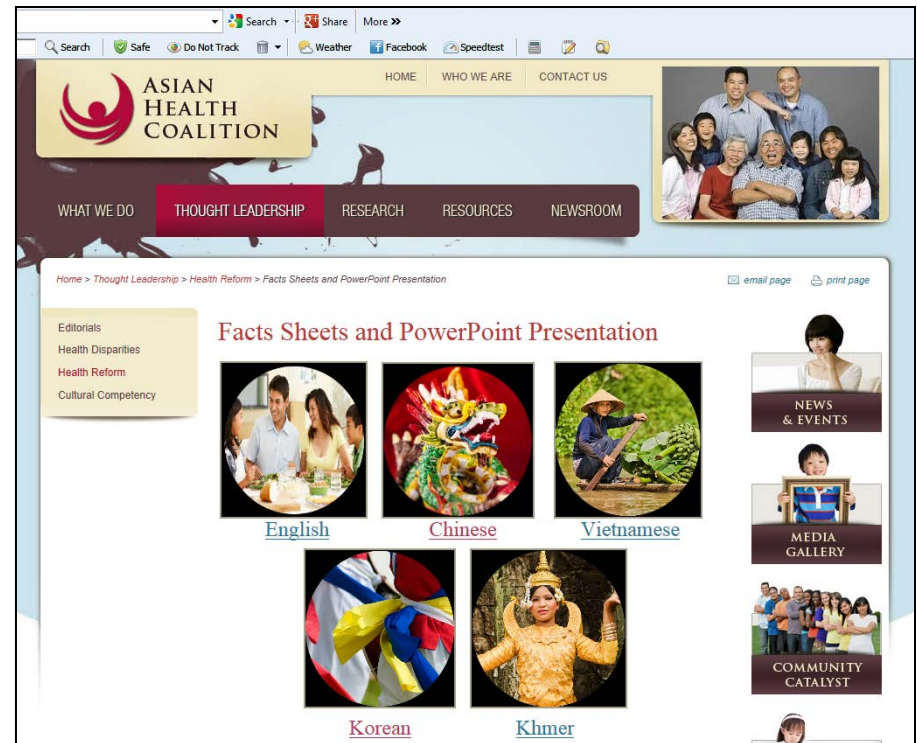
- Benchmark Must Include Benefits in 10 Specific Categories of Services
- Plans Sold Inside and Outside Exchange Must Offer Coverage of Equal or Greater Value than Benchmark
- Recommendations to HHS on Sept 30, 2012



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APPROACH

- Asian Health Coalition Partnership with Health & Disability Advocates (HDA)
- Adapting Existent Health Reform Materials from Trusted Resources
- Factsheets & Powerpoints for Limited English-Proficient AAPI Communities
- Translated Materials Available in Chinese, Khmer, Korean, Vietnamese





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DISSEMINATION

- **Consumer Workshops in Partnership with Local Ethnic Community-Based Organizations**
- **Small Business Workshops in Partnership with Neighborhood Chambers of Commerce**
- **Factsheet Publication in Local Ethnic Media**
- **Additional Languages To Be Made Available in Q4_2012 and Q1_2013**

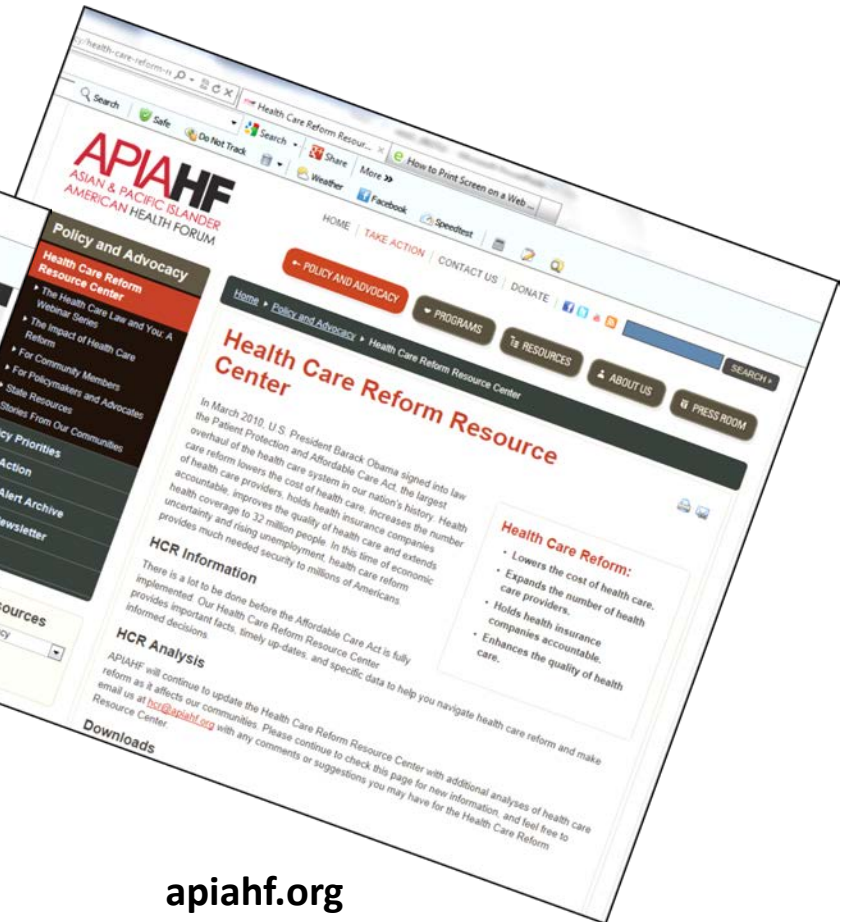




Additional Resources



illinoishealthmatters.org



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