



Health in All Policies is a collaborative approach to improving the health of all people by incorporating health, equity, and sustainability considerations into decision-making across sectors and policy areas.¹

CALIFORNIA'S HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES PROGRAM

California's Health in All Policies (HiAP) Program convenes over 20 state government departments and agencies to advance health, equity, and environmental sustainability. As the first state-level initiative of its kind in the United States, it has become a national and international model for promoting policies that improve health outcomes.

Formed in 2010 through Executive Order S-04-10, California's Health in All Policies (HiAP) Task Force has evolved into a standing program, staffed through a collaboration of the Strategic Growth Council, California Department of Public Health, and the Public Health Institute, with generous support from The California Endowment, Kaiser Permanente Community Benefit, and other funders.

"The HiAP Task Force has mastered a model of collective impact – where the sum is much greater than our parts. In a complex world with complex problems, I see multi-disciplinary collaboration as the necessary strategy for change. I see HiAP as delivering on this promise."
– HiAP Task Force member

RATIONALE

Californians face tremendous challenges—like climate change, racism, health inequities, and health care costs. More than \$230 billion per year are spent on health care in California, largely treating chronic disease that could be prevented if people had healthier and more equitable social and physical environments, including the places in which we live, work, learn, and play. Promoting health through these complex and inter-related factors requires innovative and collaborative solutions.

PURPOSE

The HiAP Program assists departments as they integrate health and equity into programs and policies that advance State priorities, including active transportation, access to parks and urban forestry, violence prevention, healthy food access, education, land use planning, and economic opportunities.

STRATEGIES

1. **Provide capacity building and training** to support departments to incorporate health and equity considerations into their day-to-day work, including use of data and measurement tools
2. **Facilitate collaboration between departments** by sharing best practices, tackling common problems, and developing strategies that serve the goals of multiple agencies
3. **Develop health and equity tools and resources** to support government operations such as program and grant administration.

"I'm impressed with how you're the "match-maker" at the state agency level and suggested we consider having someone in a similar role at our department."
– HiAP Task Force member

1. Rudolph, L., Caplan, J., Ben-Moshe, K., & Dillon, L. (2013). Health in All Policies: A Guide for State and Local Governments. Washington, DC and Oakland, CA: American Public Health Association and Public Health Institute.



SELECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES PROGRAM

- ✓ Between 2011-2017, a wide range of departments have incorporated equity and health goals, requirements, and criteria, into grant-making programs. Examples include:
 - California Department of Transportation Active Transportation Program
 - Strategic Growth Council Proposition 84 Urban Greening Grants, Sustainable Community Planning Grants, and California Climate Investment Programs
 - California Natural Resources Agency Urban Greening Grants
- ✓ The Governor's Office of Planning and Research's 2017 General Plan Guidelines update includes a strong focus on health and equity, informed through convenings hosted by HiAP staff across programs at the California Department of Public Health.
- ✓ In 2017, the Government Operations Agency is seeking to implement financial benefits for state employees who commute by bicycle, based upon research that was conducted and overseen by HiAP staff in 2014 and 2015.
- ✓ In 2016-2017, the California Transportation Commission and Department of Transportation partnered with HiAP staff and other stakeholders to develop a health and health equity section of the Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines, which are used by regional planning agencies across California.
- ✓ In 2015, the Department of Transportation added a health goal to its mission statement and incorporated health and equity metrics into its strategic management plan.
- ✓ Since 2012, the Department of General Services has partnered with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to develop and implement nutritional guidelines for their facilities.
- ✓ In 2012, the Departments of Education, Food and Agriculture, CDPH jointly established the California Farm to Fork Office (see <http://www.cafarmtofork.com/>), to promote policies and strategies to improve access to healthy, affordable, and locally-sourced food and to support California's agricultural economy.

“Such a small thing – linking to another agency’s work – but it can create so many future opportunities. It’s one of the things I value the most about HiAP. “
– HiAP Task Force member

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