



Call for Abstracts

What is Anti-Racism in Health Promotion Practice? Evidence, Action, and Emerging Voices Advancing Equity and Justice

Abstracts due May 1, 2021

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The past year brought urgent attention and renewed resolve to issues of equity and justice, particularly systemic racism. The editorial leadership of *Health Promotion Practice (HPP)* is committed to contributing to this historic moment by bringing forward examples of community-engaged projects, reflection, and scholarship that offer tools, language, insights, and lessons learned for dismantling racism and centering equity. Our focus is anti-racism practice in all areas of health promotion, with particular interest in community resistance, power, and transformation.

HPP is calling for proposals (in the form of 250-word abstracts) for an issue dedicated to advancing racial equity and justice through accounts of promising interventions, advocacy, and policies, or other ways of knowing that inform anti-racism practice and scholarship. We seek work that begins at social ecological levels above the individual and advances engagement and action at organizational, community, systems, and policy levels. Outcomes and/or implications must be linked to those higher levels of influence or change. We welcome submissions by emerging scholars and new voices.

Possible themes include:

- Interventions and practices that seek to dismantle racism and/or center equity in key systems such as public health, child welfare, criminal justice, immigration, education, as well as traditional health promotion settings such as neighborhoods, healthcare, workplace, schools, and health departments
- Development, advancement, and application of theories and frameworks that structure critical thought and interventions with anti-racism at the core, replacing theories focused on deficit-based narratives or interpretations of marginalized people
- Approaches to health advocacy and activism on equitable public policy from local through international levels
- Innovative conceptualization of the contemporary context of racism and the way forward through contextualized commentary, poetry, or other creative expression
- New approaches to understanding the legacy of historical and systemic trauma and its impact on the health of communities of color
- Emerging understanding and measurement of the impact of and responses to experiences of racism and discrimination, particularly as they impact health behaviors and health outcomes

Please refer to the Author Guidelines on the [HPP website](#) for information on HPP article types, word limits, and language guidelines.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Abstracts must be received by 11:59 p.m. PST on May 1, 2021: [Submit here](#)**
- The 250-word abstract must adequately describe the central issue, approach, novel contribution, and implications for practice, policy, and/or research. No references are needed for the abstract.

- **IMPORTANT:** During the submission process, you will also be asked to answer a few questions about the population, location/geography, social ecological level, and theory of change to be addressed in the manuscript. You will also be asked to identify the HPP article type and describe the writing team.
- There is no fee for submitting an abstract or an invited manuscript.

Authors will receive email confirmation within one week of receipt of the abstract. Decisions will be announced by **May 31, 2021**. Invited authors will be required to submit their manuscripts by **August 31, 2021** to begin the peer review process. We plan to release accepted papers online as they are ready beginning in late 2021, with the papers printed together as a special issue in 2022.

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About the Journal

Since its founding 20 years ago, *Health Promotion Practice* has published important papers, from both research and practice, that address the inter-related issues of equity, disparities, and community-engaged strategies to transform the social determinants of health. Four special issues in particular have been dedicated to these ideas, from the 2002 landmark double issue “Eliminating Health Disparities: Charting the Course for Action and Research” to the more recent supplements [Community-Driven Efforts to Increase Equity in Communities through Policy and Systems Change: Outcomes and Lessons Learned from 9 Years of Food and Fitness Community Partnerships](#), [Tobacco and Health Equity: Strategies to Address Tobacco Use among Diverse Populations](#) and “Arts and Public Health” (*forthcoming May 2021*). Beyond supplements and dedicated spaces, *HPP* seeks to infuse a focus on equity throughout every issue. Examples from the past three years can be found in three of our most recent collections: [The HPP Racial Equity Collection](#), [our annual HPP PRIDE Collection](#), and [Centering Native Voices](#).

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