

2017 • State Health Assessment & State Health Improvement Plan

Advisory Committee

*In five years, if we have successfully worked towards achieving **health equity***, what would we have accomplished?*

Vision: All people in Vermont have a fair and just opportunity to be healthy and live in healthy communities where

- Everyone feels respected, valued, included, and safe to pursue healthy and meaningful lives
- All ages, all abilities, and all Vermonters have equitable access to the conditions that create health
- Investments are focused on prevention and the conditions that create positive health outcomes; and
- Services are available, accessible, affordable, coordinated, culturally appropriate and offered with cultural humility.

Conditions that Create Health

-  Family Wage Jobs, Job Opportunities and Economic Prosperity
-  Access To Affordable, Healthy, Local Food
-  Affordable, Safe, Quality Housing
-  Quality Education
-  Strong, Vibrant Communities
-  Access To Safe and Efficient Transportation
-  Access To Health and Prevention Services
-  Civic Engagement and Community Connections
-  Equitable Law and Justice System
-  Access To Recreation, Parks and Natural Resources
-  Clean and Sustainable Natural Environments
-  Safe and Supported Community Early Childhood Development

Core Values: Equity • Affordability • Access

Health equity exists when all people have a fair and just opportunity to be healthy, especially those who have experienced socioeconomic disadvantage, historical injustice and other avoidable systemic inequalities that are often associated with social categories of race, gender, class, ethnicity, social position, sexual orientation, and disability.