# Designing Health Promotion and Disease Prevention For Vulnerable Populations

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# Why is this important

- Increasing diversity in US
- Current climate...



NOTES: All racial groups non-Hispanic. Other includes Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders, Native Americans/Alaska Natives, and individuals with two or more races. Data do not include residents of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or the Northern Marina Islands. SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008, Projected Population by Single Year of Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin for the United States: July 1, 2000 to July 1, 2050. http://www.census.gov/population/www/projections/idownloadabiefiles.html.



### Challenging Times...

















# Importantly...

- We are having this discussion b/c biases/ diversity impact:
  - Our profession
  - Our patients
  - Our communities
  - Goal is to think about our role...



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# Implicit Bias

#### Implicit Bias:

Attitudes or stereotypes that affect our understanding, actions, and decisions in an unconscious manner

- are pervasive
- do not necessarily align with our declared beliefs
- generally but not always favor our own ingroup
- are malleable

Ohio State University Kirwin Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity. http://kirwaninstitute.osu.edu/research/understanding-implicit-bias/ Accessed 10/4/17



# Impact of unconscious bias on clinical & workplace decisions

- Recruitment
- Hiring decisions
- Salary & resource allocation
- Performance reviews
- Retention/Promotion
- Teamwork
- Clinical Environment





# My Biases





#### We are not born to exhibit racial prejudice – we learn it...early in life

- Newborn infants demonstrated no spontaneous preference for faces from either their own-or other-ethnic groups.
- 3-month-old infants demonstrated a significant preference for faces from their own ethnic group.









Clear if unspoken message about who leads





# Clinical Medicine & Bias

So, is it possible to have bias but tx pts. equally?



# IOM: RACE & MEDICAL CARE









#### **Across Healthcare**

• Minorities receive fewer procedures and poorer quality medical care than whites.

#### **Difference Persist After Controlling For**

- Insurance
- SES
- Stage and severity of disease, co-morbidity
- Medical facility

#### Persist in Medicare & the VA Health System

• Differences in economic status and insurance coverage are expected to be minimized

Institute of Medicine, 2002 Shulman KA. N Engl J Med 1999; 340: 618–626



### Physicians & Implicit Bias

Study Population: ~300 IM/EM residents at 4 AMCs in Atlanta and Boston;

Study Design: Internet Clinical vignette of black or white patient presenting to ED with ACS, followed by a questionnaire and three IAT's.

Measures: IAT scores, decision for thrombolysis, assessment of explicit racial biases by questionnaire .

<u>J Gen Intern Med</u>. 2007 Sep; 22(9): 1231–1238. Published online 2007 Jun 27. doi: [10.1007/s11606-007-0258-5] PMCID: PMC2219763 PMID: <u>17594129</u>

Implicit Bias among Physicians and its Prediction of Thrombolysis Decisions for Black and White Patients

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# Green continued

- Physicians reported no explicit preferences
- IAT's revealed implicit preference favoring whites (mean IAT score = 0.36, P < .001).</li>
- As physicians' prowhite implicit bias increased, so did their likelihood of treating white patients and not treating black patients with thrombolysis (P = .009).





#### Implicit Bias & Workplace Decisions: Compensation, Resource Allocation

- Science faculty (n=127) at research-intensive universities rated applications for students applying for lab manager positions
- Applications randomly assigned male or female names
- Faculty asked to judge student competency, hireability, interest in mentoring, and assign salary



#### **Implicit Bias and Workplace Decisions**



"White" names: Emily, Anne, Allison, Neil, Todd "Black" names: Aisha, Keisha, Tamika, Tyrone, Tremayne

Bertrand M & Mullainathan S, NBER Working Paper no. 9873, July 2003"



#### **Letters of Recommendation Reflect Gender Bias**

- 1224 letters for highly competitive STEM postdoctoral positions categorized as Excellent, Good, Doubtful
- Letter tone rated Excellent among: 24% of Men applicants, 15% Women applicants

#### Men Applicants

- Longer
- Excellent Letters
- Strong Language
  - "Brilliant Scientist"
  - "Trailblazer"
  - One of the Best"
- "Confident"
- "Assertive" / "Intellectual

#### Women Applicants

- Shorter
- Solid Letters did not set them apart from other applicants
- "Knowledgeable"
- "Highly Intelligent"
- Relationship Building characteristics such as "Nurturing" and "Caring"





Emory Bias Training slides Dutt, K., Pfaff, D., Bernstein, A. *et al.* Gender differences in recommendation letters for postdoctoral fellowships in geoscience. *Nature Geosci* **9**, 805–808 (2016).

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### Diversity can be mitigating





Talent Management Competitive Advantage Financially Advantageous Best Place to Work

# **Financial Gains**



Source: 2015 McKinsey : Diversity Matters



FINANCIAL GAINS are not only associated with the proportion of female board members BUT also with the proportion of FEMALE EXECUTIVES.

Source: 2016 PIIE



### More innovation...

#### **Companies with Above-Average Diversity Also Have Higher Innovation Revenues**



SHARE OF INNOVATION REVENUES FROM PRODUCTS LESS THAN THREE YEARS OLD 100% -

NOTE N=1,606, R^2=0.257 (SIGNIFICANT AT P=0.001 LEVEL); \*TOTAL DIVERSITY INDEX IS THE AVERAGE OF THE BLAU INDICES FOR SIX DIMENSIONS OF DIVERSITY: MIGRATION, INDUSTRY, CAREER PATH, GENDER, EDUCATION, AND AGE. SOURCE BCG ANALYSIS OF MORE THAN 1,600 COMPANIES ACROSS EIGHT COUNTRIES

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#### **Clinical care: Diversity can be mitigating factor**

- Black pts get more preventive services w/ black MDs;
- Female pts less likely to die after MI when treated by female MDs
- URM MDs more likely to serve minority, poor, and Medicaid populations.
- Race and language concordance associated w/ improved satisfaction, adherence, trust, infant mortality





Alsan M, Garrick O, Graziani GC. National Bureau of Economic Research, 2018 Greenwood BN, Carnahan S, Huang L. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 2018;115:8569-8574. Cantor JC, Miles EL, Baker LC, Barker DC. Inquiry 1996;33:167-180. Cooper-Patrick, L. JAMA. 1999; 282: 583–589

# **Examples: Structural change**

Strategies for supporting an inclusive environment



# Food as Medicine Program

When physicians think of health...

- Diagnosing and treating "a disease"
- Related to great diagnostic and therapeutic skills! Yes but...







Adapted from: Schroeder S. "We Can Do Better — Improving the Health of the American People" *N Engl J Med* 2007; 357:1221-1228.

# Food Insecurity & disease management

- Higher in Georgia (about 20%)
- Grady prim care study >300 pts 51% food insecure, 62% in DM
- Food insecure adults less likely to:
  - Purchase costly medication
  - Adhere to recommended prescription guidelines





Knight, C.K., et al., Household food insecurity and medication "scrimping" among US adults with diabetes. Preventive medicine, 2016. 83: p. 41-45.

Sattler, E.L.P., J.S. Lee, and V. Bhargava, Food insecurity and medication adherence in low-income older Medicare beneficiaries with type 2 diabetes. Journal of nutrition in gerontology and geriatrics, 2014. **33**(4): p. 401-417.

#### Social Determinants of Health



- Imagine....
- Health professionals screening for SDH (housing, food, transport)
- Instead of prescribing pills and procedures...
- Health care supported apples and oranges...
- Makes intuitive sense but does it work?





# **Intervention Design & Recruitment**



- Proactive and targeted recruitment
- Screening for food insecurity
- Understanding of program requirements

# **Data Collected**

### Surveys

- Baseline survey
- 6-week follow-up survey (at the end of Cooking Matters)
- Endline survey (6 months)

### **Biometrics**

- •Collected monthly:
  - •Height
  - •Weight
  - •Blood pressure
  - •A1C- South Georgia

# Results: Food insecurity decreased significantly over the 6 months program



\*Data from Grady Health System cohorts 2017-2019, n=271 participants
# Results: Diet & nutrition practices improved significantly over the 6 months program

Dietary Variable	Baseline Mean ± SD	End line Mean± SD	Adjusted change from baseline to end line β
			[95% CI]
Daily unique fruit count	1.39 ±1.47	2.39 ±1.45	0.13*** [0.07,0.19]
Daily unique vegetable	1.99±1.77	2.77±1.69	0.10*** [0.04,0.14]
count			
Healthy food consumption	3.86±1.29	4.38±1.27	0.38*** [0.23,0.51]
score			
Healthy Beverage	5.14 ±1.70	4.98±1.44	0.27*** [0.11,0.36]
consumption score			
Healthy Purchase score	5.64 ±1.86	6.70±1.74	0.59*** [0.44,0.67]
Resource management	6.30±1.95	7.10±1.74	0.61*** [0.44,0.65]
score			

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#### **Results - Health Metrics Improvements**

Clinical Variable	Obs.	Ν	Unconditional Means (95% CI)	Unadjusted Change Over Time (95% CI)	Adjusted for Clinic, Cohort, Sex, Age
			36.54	-0.2	-0.1
BMI (kg/m2)	1,464	273	(35.53, 37.56)	(-0.1, 0.0)	(-0.1, 0.0)
			226.7	-0.4	-0.49
Weight (lbs)	1,464	273	(220.0, 233.4)	(-0., 6-0.2)	(-0.6, -0.2)
			45.3	-0.4	-0.4
Waist circumference (in)	1,461	273	(44., 46.1)	(-0.4, -0.3)	(-0.5, -0.3)
			81.8	-0.4	-0.4
Diastolic blood pressure	1,460	273	(80.4, 83.2)	(-0.7, -0.2)	(-0.7-0.2)
			140.4	-1.0	-1.0
Systolic blood pressure	1,460	273	(138.1, 142.6)	(-1.4, -0.5)	(-1.5, -0.6)

### **Strategy: Structural Change / Support**

- Programs to support promotion in my division, institution
- Curricular transformation
- Structural change



#### • Barriers for Success

- Less Mentorship
- Bias experiences
- Disproportionate share of non-career advancing activities

#### • Consequently:

- Less likely to achieve senior promotion
- Remain in rank longer
- Lower levels of job satisfaction
- More likely to leave academia

The Problem: Barriers for women & URiM Faculty



Nickens 2000, Palepu 1998, Diggs 2009, Liu 2010, Thomas 2000, Helm 2000, Diggs 2009

There's this feeling that, I don't understand why I'm always outside of this club. Some people are put on this leadership launch pad on Day 1. People have come and waited for five, ten years [to get promoted] and have been completely left out.





#### The Plan: Objectives

- Design systematic structure to support faculty advancement
- Develop a standard review of faculty to identify opportunities for faculty development, positions, & recognition



#### Faculty Review Committee: Process

- Meetings quarterly
- Review all faculty unless "opt out" prioritized based on time in rank
- T-2 years before earliest possible promotion
- Study section style review with a primary and secondary reviewer
- •Review focus: Ways to support and recognize faculty
  - Development opportunities
    - Award opportunities
    - Other opportunities (important committees, editorial boards, speaking)





### Sample faculty letter

I feel that we will be able to present you for promotion to Associate Professor the summer of 2016 on the basis of **excellent** teaching, **very good** service, and **participation** in scholarship based on definitions from the SOM fattached along with some additional promotion info).

1. Statement of plans for promotion, likely criteria

Recommendations of the committee.

- Use your educational initiatives and curricular advances (EKG instruction, technology, etc...) as sources of publications as you will need more publication
- There is limited service at region/ na 2. Summary/ recommendation al interestsociety/organization for which you h 2. Summary/ recommendation interestpossibly AAMC, ACP, or SHM and CDIM and join a committee(s).
- You have won several Institutional Awards and could be nominated for regional and national teaching awards. Membership and activity discussed above will help. We feel you would be a good candidate for J Willis Hurst GA-ACP as you have attended this meeting and presented in the past. <u>We will assist with this nomination.</u>
- Update international lectures (India) and other ones missing on CV
- For development opportunities, we are aware that you are con 3. Instructions for packet suggest that you consider the Harvard Macy Program in 2016 prep help

Importantly, in preparation for a potential submission, please update your CV to Emory's format and begin to prepare your personal statement, teaching, and service portfolio (keeping evaluations, letters, documents from learners and colleagues). Leigh and Danielle will assist w/ this



	2013			2020		
nes	Grady GIM	SOM	AAMC	Grady GIM	SOM	ΑΑΜΟ
Total						
Faculty	46	2,210	159,943	50	2,883	184,682
URiM	10 (22%)	246 (11%)	13,825 (9%)	12 (24%)	393 (14%)	17,484 (9%)
Women	24 (52%)	839 (38%)	61,121 (38%)	31 (62%)	1,283 (45%)	79,174 (43%)
Assistant						
All	31 (67%)	1,208 (55%)	71,903 (45%)	23 (46%)	1,642 (57%)	86,485 (47%)
URiM	6 (60%)	162 (66%)	7,732 (56%)	6 (50%)	289 (74%)	9,777 (56%)
Women	17 (71%)	534 (64%)	31,457 (51%)	12 (39%)	612 (48%)	41,243 (52%)
Associate						
All	10 (22%)	353 (16%)	32,231 (20%)	17 (34%)	551 (19%)	37,781(20%)
URiM	4 (40%)	37 (15%)	2,489 (18%)	3 (25%)	48 (12%)	3,271 (19%)
Women	7 (29%)	102 (12%)	11,027 (18%)	13 (42%)	172 (13%)	15,006 (19%)
Professor						
All	5 (11%)	370 (17%)	35,789 (22%)	10 (20%)	461 (16%)	39,001 (21%)
URiM	0 (0%)	14 (6%)	1,880 (14%)	3 (25%)	30 (8%)	2522 (14%)
Women	0 (0%)	65 (8%)	7,669 (13%)	6 (19%)	93 (7%)	10,421 (13%)





#### Outcomes

- *Majority* Grady GIM faculty at senior rank (54% associate or full professor)



#### SOM wide URIM FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



- DOM, SOM collaboration, HRSA supported
- 5-month longitudinal program
- WLA inspired match w/ leaders as mentors
- Experiential seminars
- Meaningful discussions about navigating academic health sciences as a URM faculty member (peer support)



### Emory SOM Community Learning and Social Medicine (CLSM course)







Jason Cobb led CPC Presentation

Emory wide eGFR SYSTEM CHANGE

## The New York Times

- Many Medical Decision Tools Disadvantage Black Patients
- Gina Kolata, New York Times, June 17, 2020



- Bias pervasive
- Impact clinical care
- Structural change in organizations to support a diverse/ inclusive work force AND patients directly needed
- We must be proactive & intentional

## Structural and individual change needed...

### In Summary



## QUESTIONS

