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Challenges of the Affordable Care Act Transition: Continued Issues with Access & Compliance

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Disparities In Health Care Persist



A changing population
Racial and ethnic minorities represent about 1/3 of the US population and will become the majority of the population by 2042.



Unequal care
Minority patients are more likely to experience lower-quality health care than whites. They are less likely to receive kidney dialysis or transplants, and more likely to receive less desirable procedures, such as lower-limb amputations for diabetes.



23.9 billion
The cost of disparity
Among Blacks and Hispanics, the cost burden of three preventable conditions – high blood pressure, diabetes and stroke – was about \$23.9 billion in 2009, according to a study by the Urban Institute.

Aligning Forces for Quality: Improving Equity

...in Hospitals

- Hospital Quality Network of 150 hospitals
- 75% collecting standardized race, ethnicity and language data
- 1.5M patients screened for preferred spoken language
- 4,500 patients with qualified interpreters at assessment and discharge

...in Ambulatory Care

Finding Answers is helping AF4Q sites move from data collection to action:

Minnesota

Diabetes education materials for Hmong and Spanish-speaking patients

Wisconsin

Diabetes and heart disease care for Black patients with diabetes

Interpreter services and creating patient advisory boards for Spanish-speaking patients

Kansas City

Diabetes care for Black patients with severe persistent mental illness

Affordable Care Act Promotes Equity



Expands coverage: 48 percent of the nearly 24 million people likely to gain health insurance are minorities.



Requires collection of race, ethnicity and language data in all federally supported health programs.



- Provides funds to:
- train a more diverse health care workforce.
 - construct and renovate community health centers.

What Works to Reduce Disparities



Team-based care



Multifaceted Programs



Cultural Targeting



Patient Navigation



Interactive Education

Source: Finding Answers/solvingdisparities.org

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