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Become A Member

Not a member yet? Join today to be a part of a unique nonprofit membership and member-driven organization, which engages globally across sectors and disciplines to advance health equity, and enjoy our [member-exclusive benefits](#)! You can [join](#) as an individual, or you can sign up your organization and let your staff benefit from being a part of the HEI community. [Benefits](#) include:



- 1) Access to special rates on great resources and educational opportunities by HEI and its partners
- 2) Access to HEI member-only events, workshops (both online and in-person), and webinars
- 3) Access to our member-only special events

Joining HEI will help you build your network and get professional or community support as you work on advancing health equity in your profession and communities.

Take action today and become an HEI member! See [who should join!](#)

In Our Members' Own Words...

City of St. Louis Park, Minnesota

Why did you join HEI?

In 2012 the City of St. Louis Park launched the Health in the Park initiative with funding from The Center for Prevention at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota, which sparked conversations about what it means to be a healthier community. Through this initiative, we saw an opportunity to learn more about health equity and how the work we do in city departments affects the health of our residents.



Experience LIFE in the Park

How does your work or area of interest help or may help advance health equity?

Local city government influences the social determinants of health through the built environment, whether it is access to sidewalks, green space to play in, or access to community gardens. We also contribute to the health of our community through services such as law enforcement, housing inspections and fire safety. Every department touches the lives of our residents, businesses and visitors. When we consider equity in our work, we ensure decisions consider the health impacts for all.

HEI 2016 Partnership Summit - Watch the highlights video!

Implementing Systems-Level Change For Health Equity: A Partnership Summit

When: February 25-26, 2016

Where: 505 Eighth Ave. New York, NY

For additional information/the full program of this past event click [here](#)! Stay tuned for our

upcoming Summit Report and online forum for summit's participants! Thank you for joining us!



Member Connections

HEI member, [Glenn Ellis](#) (President of Strategies for Well-Being, LLC) interviews [Dr. Dwayne Proctor](#) (Senior Advisor to the President, and Director of the Achieving Health Equity Portfolio, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation) on Building a Culture of Health for his radio program, "*Information is the Best Medicine*," on WURD Radio. The program also discusses Health Equity Initiative's recent Partnership Summit.



[Listen Here](#)

Online Workshops and Publications

Online Workshops

HEI's team has extensive capacity building, professional development, and training experience in a variety of sectors.



Our interactive online workshops and other professional development and capacity building events are specifically designed to meet the needs of staff board members of a variety of U.S. and international organizations as well as community leaders and grassroots organizations. Audio recordings or PowerPoints of select workshops are available to our members within our [member-only center](#). For a sample list of organizations, whose staff and officers have previously participated in HEI's workshops and capacity building programs, please click [here](#). For a description of other past or upcoming workshops in our series, please click [here](#).

UPCOMING WORKSHOP!

Strategies for Successful Multisectoral Partnership to Advance Health Equity

April 19, 2016

12-2pm EST

Participants in this workshop will be able to:

- Describe the dos and don'ts of building and managing successful partnerships
- Evaluate the feasibility and cost-effectiveness (time, human resources, economic cost, etc.) of successful partnerships
- Understand and manage potential drawbacks of partnerships
- Explain how to remove common roadblocks
- Differentiate and select different types of partnerships
- Develop a partnership plan as part of the overall strategic and communication plans
- Identify relevant resources, associations and case studies

Registration:

Non-member	\$40	register here
Member	Free with member code*	RSVP here

* Member RSVP code was sent via email and member listserv.

** For any questions, please contact Divya Padgaonkar via the registration links

Workshop Facilitator/Presenter:

[Renata Schiavo](#), PhD., MA

Founder and President, Board of Directors, Health Equity Initiative

Senior Lecturer at Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health
Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Communication in Healthcare: Strategies, Media, and Engagement in Global Health
Founder and Principal, Strategic Communication Resources

[Visit our website](#) for access to **registration for upcoming live workshops** as well as **recorded workshops!**

Remember: [Members](#) receive up to 50% discount on HEI online workshops as well as access to select free workshops and webinars!

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## Peer-Reviewed Publications

As Maney Publishing was recently acquired by [Taylor & Francis](#) we are excited about this new collaboration! HEI [membership benefits](#) continue to include special member-only subscription rates to 6 different peer-reviewed publications that focus on different health equity-related disciplines and sectors! Please check our website for additional information.



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## *Member Committee Updates*

**Stay on the look for the 2015-2016 report on key accomplishments by our member committees! Thanks all for your participation!**

### ***Join Our Member Committees!***

HEI Member Committees are a great place to start networking. As a member-driven organization, you take ownership of direction and focus through the member committees and influence our organizational priorities! Your passion, commitment, and cumulative multisectoral and multidisciplinary experience is what makes HEI different. All committees are composed of volunteer members who agree to nurture and ignite conversation and engagement on health equity and work to develop activities and

resources for all members and our broader community on one specific area. [Click here](#) to learn more about HEI member committees and get involved!

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## *We Want to Feature Our Members' News!*

*Are you a HEI member? If yes, please let us know about your recent news (e.g., new positions, publications, presentations, media appearances, or others), so we can consider them for inclusion in our upcoming newsletters! Please submit your news for our next Newsletter by completing this [Google form](#)!*



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## *Resources*

### ***NIH Priorities for Health Economics Research***

The purpose of the NIH Health Economics Research Guide is to clarify NIH policy related to funding. It serves to communicate NIH's priority areas of health economics research as well as research aims that generally fall outside of the NIH mission - to seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems, and the application of that knowledge to enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce illness and disability within a health equity framework.

[Click here](#) to review the guidelines.

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## *Give a gift that gives back!*

Give back to Health Equity Initiative at no extra cost to you by shopping on Amazon via Fundinco or Amazon Smiles! Support HEI's efforts to bridge silos and build ONE community for health equity!



- **Shop on Amazon via [Fundinco](#)** - 3% of your purchase amount will be donated to Health Equity Initiative
- **Shop on Amazon via [Amazon Smiles](#)** - 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchase will be donated to Health Equity Initiative

## *Become a Partner!*

Sponsoring Health Equity Initiative is an opportunity for your organization to expand its range! Our community is diverse and committed to working across sectors. We reach 10,000+ subscribers/followers via our mailing list and social media. Basic sponsorship benefits include free organizational membership, your logo on our website and newsletter, three complementary individual memberships to donate to your partners and clients, and the opportunity to offer an online or in-person workshop. We customize sponsorship opportunities to meet the needs of our partners.



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