

Advancing Health Equity Through Assessment and Accountability



For the fourth straight year, IHA is offering the *Racial Health Equity Progress Report* (Progress Report) to guide your organization’s journey toward health equity. Measuring progress is vital to your continued efforts to advance equity.

IHA encourages all members to participate in this year’s Progress Report, whether or not you’ve participated in the past.

It is crucial that we continue to assess our progress—both individually and as a hospital

community. Sustained commitment to utilizing the Progress Report allows for comprehensive benchmarking with peers and helps to inform strategies to collectively reduce health disparities in Illinois.

Equity Through Four Lenses

Our People

Looking at diversity and inclusion in your workforce for better provider-patient communication

Our Organization

Using data and measurement to identify and address health inequities

Our Patients

Understanding the role of disparities in health outcomes

Our Community

Incorporating community engagement as a fundamental pillar in reducing disparities

About the Progress Report

This quality improvement tool tracks advancement toward health equity within and across hospitals and health systems. While focused on racial health equity, the Progress Report is meaningful for all hospitals regardless of the racial/ethnic make-up of the communities you serve.

The assessment uses a simple 32-question, web-based form. After submitting your responses, in early 2025, IHA will provide an analytic report with results that can be used to identify opportunities for growth, and pinpoint areas of strength and organizational achievements for each participating hospital and health system.

Why Participate

You'll gain invaluable insights into how your organization is doing on your journey toward health equity. The results will empower you to:

- ▶ Track progress
- ▶ Assess the implementation of key strategies
- ▶ Leverage provider and community assets
- ▶ Identify areas of improvement

The tool explores foundational components of equity efforts, including:

- ▶ Social determinants of health
- ▶ Community partnership
- ▶ Data collection, with a special focus on collecting, storing and maintaining data on race, ethnicity, language, sexual orientation and gender identity

By highlighting your organization's accomplishments, the Progress Report will give you a powerful story to share within your organization and the communities you serve.



Your Participation Is Essential:
Start Your 2024 Progress Report TODAY

Get Started

<https://tinyurl.com/2024-progress-report>

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