



Health in All Policies: a Path to Health Equity

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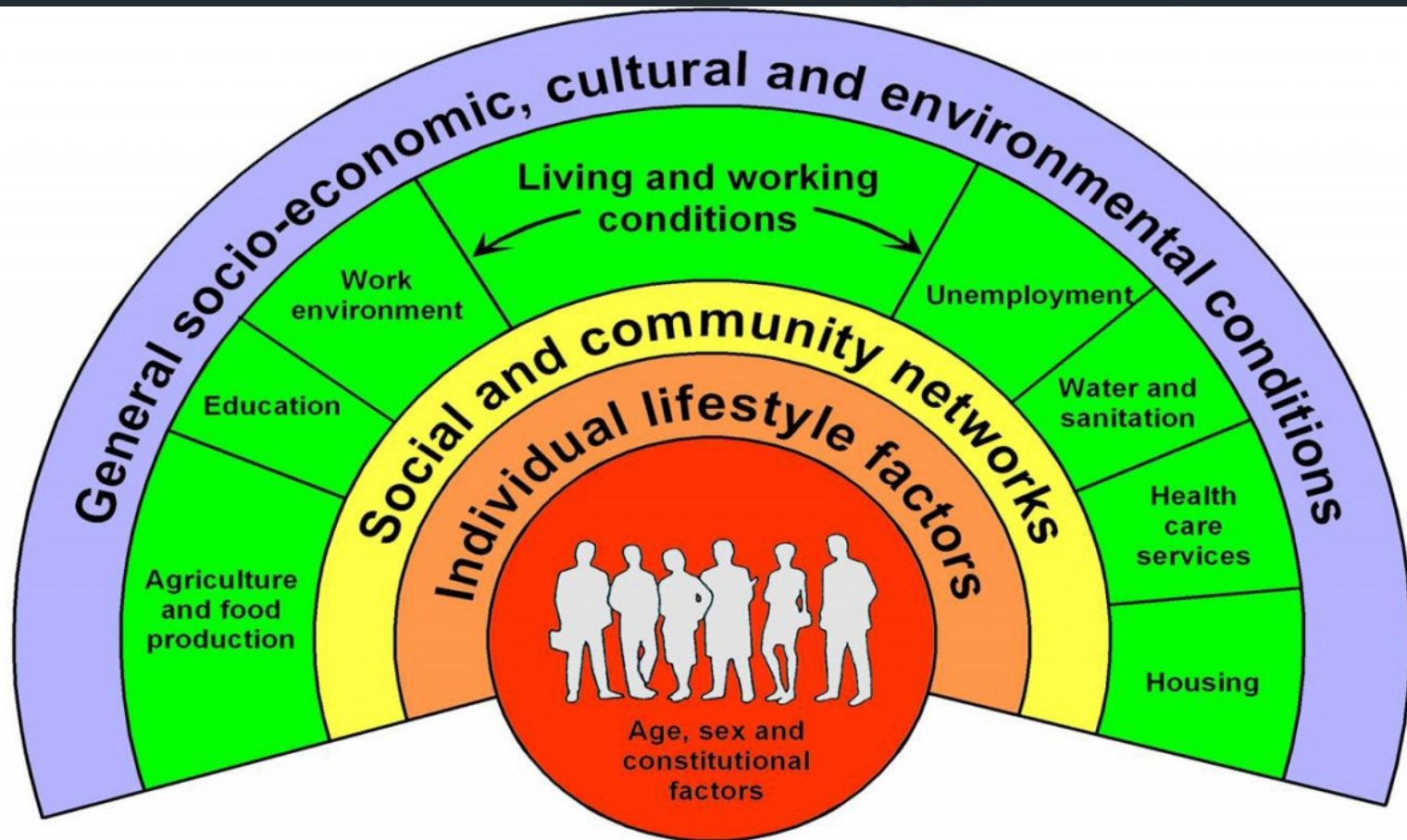
Barriers to Health and Health Equity

- Complex health issues
- No single agency is responsible
- Pervasive and undermines progress in other areas
- “Sticky” and “web-like”



Determinants of Health

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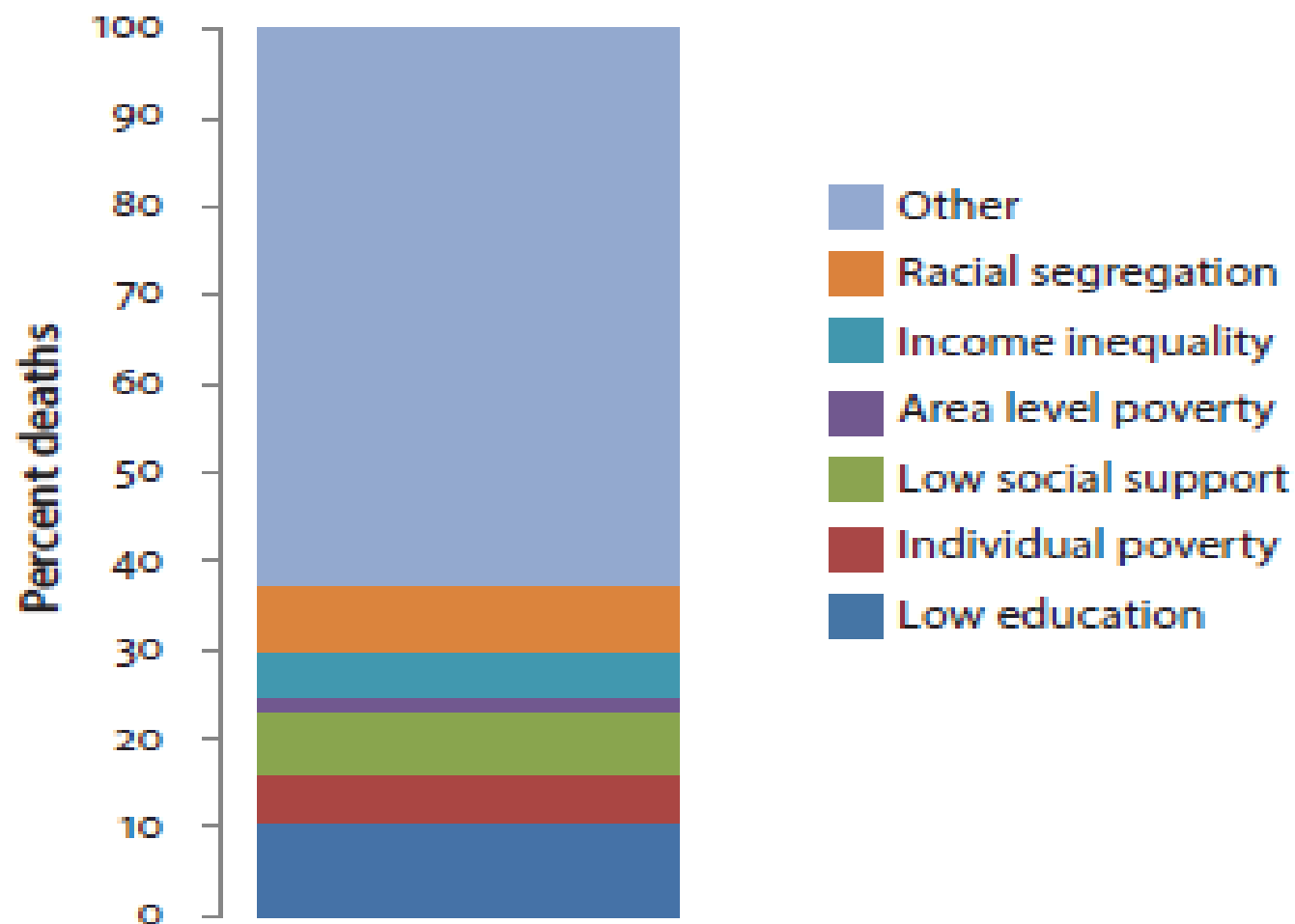


Source: Dahlgren and Whitehead, 1991

General Socio-Economic, Cultural and Environmental Determinants of Health

- Public Education Policies (Funding, school siting guidance quality measures)
- Minimum wage laws, employee protections
- Quality of air and water
- Placement of major roadways or dams
- State General Plan Guidance for local planners
- Land and ocean preservation
- Zoning laws
- Structural and cultural discrimination by race/ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, socioeconomic status
- Access to health care – is it a right or a commodity?
- Immigration law

Figure 15. Estimated deaths attributable to social and environmental factors in the U.S., 2000



Source: Based on Galea, Tracy, Hoggart, DiMaggio, and Karpati, 2011

California Health in All Policies Task Force – Member Organizations


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Promoting Equity through the HiAP Task Force

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- Creation of Aspirational Goals: All Californians
 - Can safely walk bicycle, or take public transit to essential destinations
 - Live in safe, healthy, affordable housing
 - Have access to places to be active, including parks, green space, and healthy tree canopy
 - Are able to live without fear of violence/crime
 - Have access to healthy, affordable foods
 - Are confident that decision makers are informed about health consequences of policy during policy development
- Development of Healthy Communities Framework and Healthy Community Indicator Project
- Root Cause Mapping



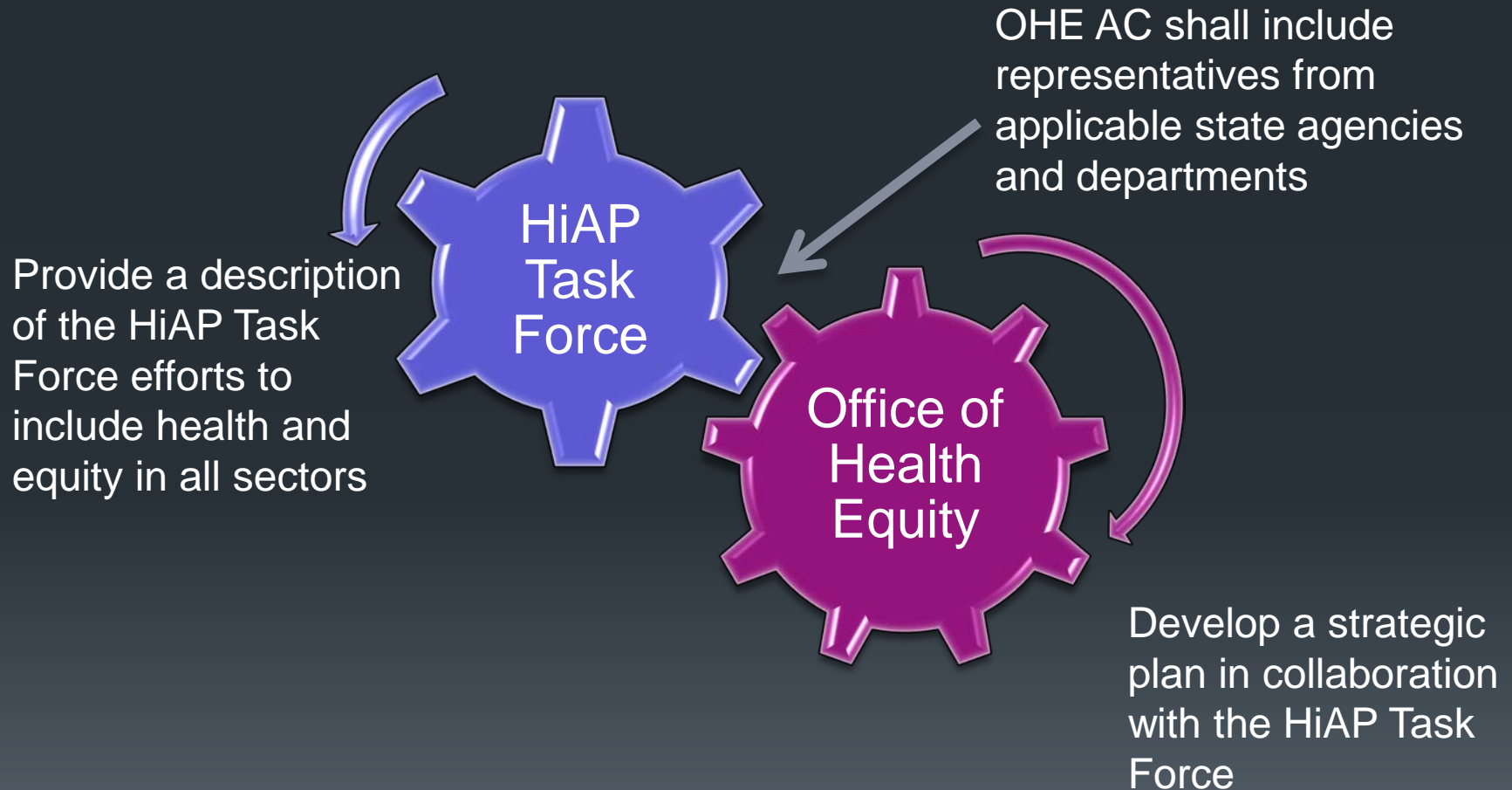
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Health & Safety Code

Section 131019.5

- Health equity – efforts to ensure that all people have full and equal access to opportunities
- Health inequities – disparities in health outcomes of the factors that shape health that are systemic and avoidable and therefore unjust and unfair
- Determinants of equity – social, economic, geographic, political and physical environmental conditions that lead the the creation of a fair and just society.
- Creation of a State Advisory Committee, State Data Report and State Strategic Plan
- Mandates a working relationship with the HiAP Task Force

Relationship between HiAP Task Force and OHE

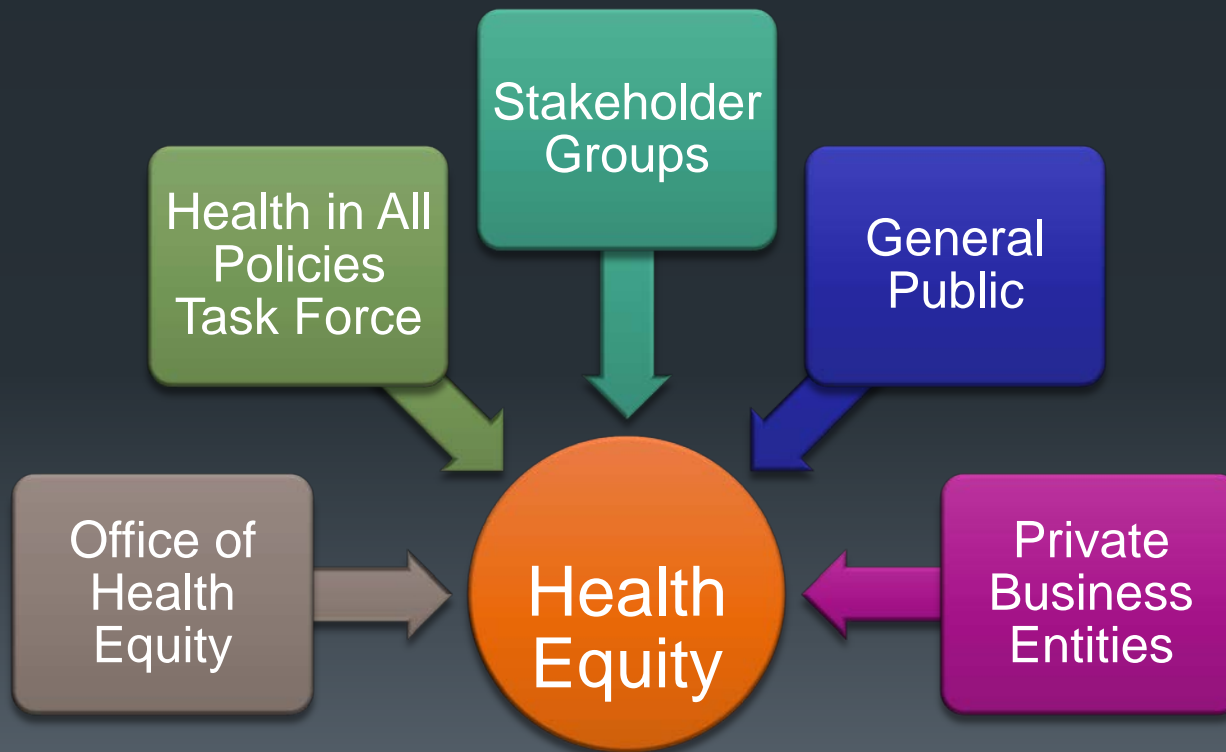




Accomplishments of HiAP TF that Impact Equity

- Creation of Farm to Fork Office
- Food Procurement Work Group
- Housing Siting and Air Quality Work Group
- Inserting public health considerations into State General Plan Guidance
- Crime Prevention through Environmental Design
- School Siting Guidance

Health equity won't happen by any one effort alone...





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