Enhancing Capacity in the Assessment and Application of Health Equity Tools

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Equity Lens in Public Health

Purpose: guide and inform learning about the integration of an equity lens in public health and to contribute knowledge of health inequities reduction.

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Concept Mapping

To be useful, a health equity tool should...
• Have a clear feedback loop to improve practice
• Have a clear intended outcome
• Assist program planners to improve the equity of their programs
• Lead to the identification of areas for improvement in policy/program
Recommendations

• Health equity tools should
  – Be meaningful and guide action
  – Be clear and concise
  – Contain resources to support use

• Context matters: Understanding of health equity and institutional environments are as important as the use of tools

• Next Steps: Practical and Theoretical Criteria
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