

Health Disparities among Hispanic Youth

Although significant progress has been made in providing access to healthcare, Hispanic youth are disproportionately affected by certain health conditions and face higher uninsured rates.


TOP HEALTH CONCERNS

Youth Population



1 in 4
U.S. Children are Hispanic

Obesity



22%
of Hispanic children are obese
US obesity rates are highest among Latinos

Fact

2X

Hispanic children are nearly twice as likely to be overweight compared to non-Hispanic white child

Disease



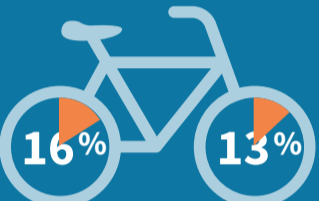
13% of Hispanic youth have been diagnosed with diabetes compared to 8% of non-Hispanic white youth

Oral Health



24% of Hispanic youth have untreated cavities

Activity



16% of latino youth are inactive compared to **13%** of non-Hispanic white youth.

BARRIERS TO BETTER HEALTH

Awareness



50% of parents of uninsured minority children are aware that their children are eligible for Medicaid and CHIP coverage

Lack of Coverage

CA FL TX

368,000 231,000 413,000


States with the highest uninsured hispanic populations

Limited English Proficiency

Language barriers can be a challenge to healthcare enrollment

Lack of Coverage

1 million



uninsured children who are eligible for Medicaid and CHIP are Hispanic

Health Literacy

Making informed health decisions is difficult with limited knowledge of insurance options and the health system

Preventive Care



28% of Hispanic children ages 10-17 are less likely to receive an annual well-child checkup, compared to 20% of non-Hispanic white children

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