



Update on the Governor's Interagency Council on Health Disparities

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Presentation Overview

- Board's Strategic Plan
- About the Council
- Progress Toward Creating an Action Plan
- Other Council Activities

Board's 2007 Strategic Plan

Goal 3: Reduce Health Disparities

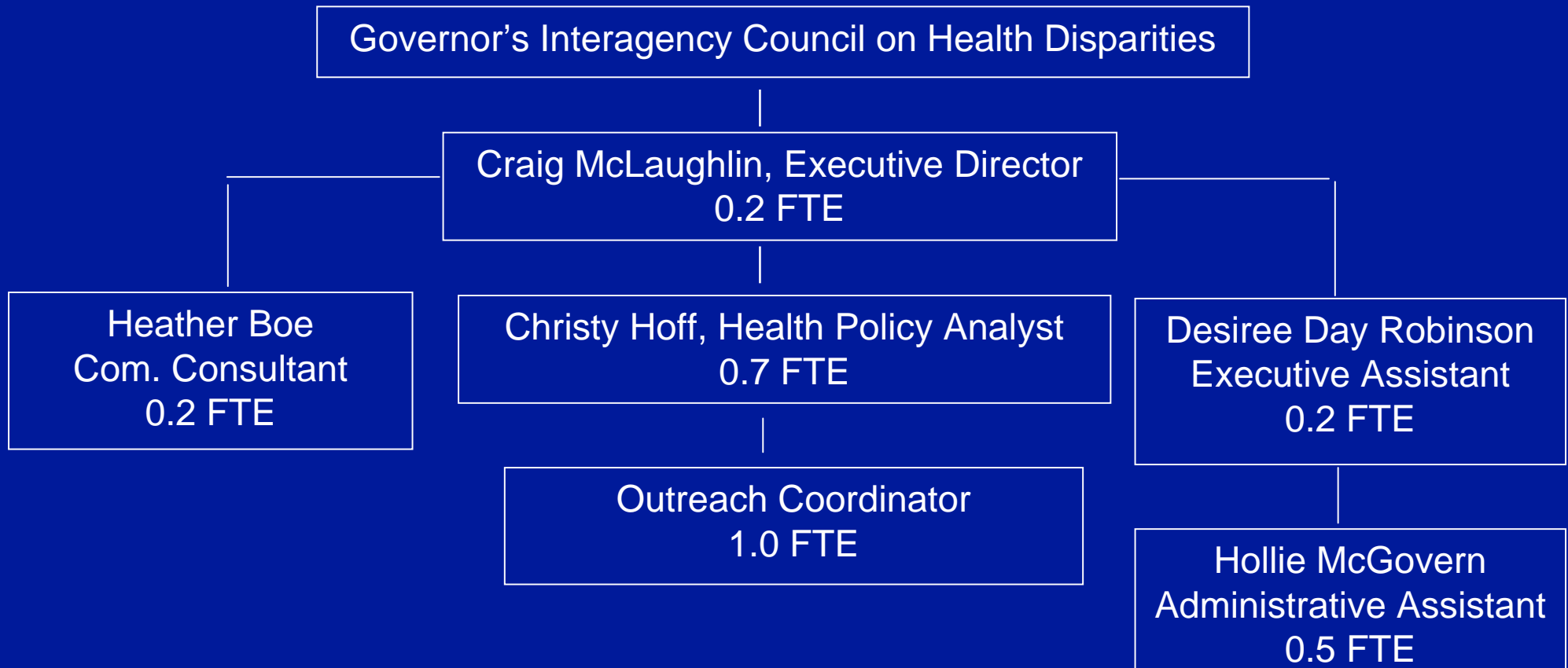
Objective: Support the implementation of Senate Bill 6197

Strategy: Support the success of the Council

- Assure high-quality work by council staff
- Implement U.S. DHHS Office of Minority Health grant to improve communication with hard-to-reach populations
- Ensure that Board Executive Director reserves some of his capacity to support strategic success of the council

About the Council

- 17 Members, staff support from SBOH



About the Council

- First convened October 20, 2006
- Seven public meetings

Council Web site:

www.sboh.wa.gov/hdcouncil

Progress Toward Action Plan

Identified additional health topics for consideration

–Received >50 suggestions, added 16

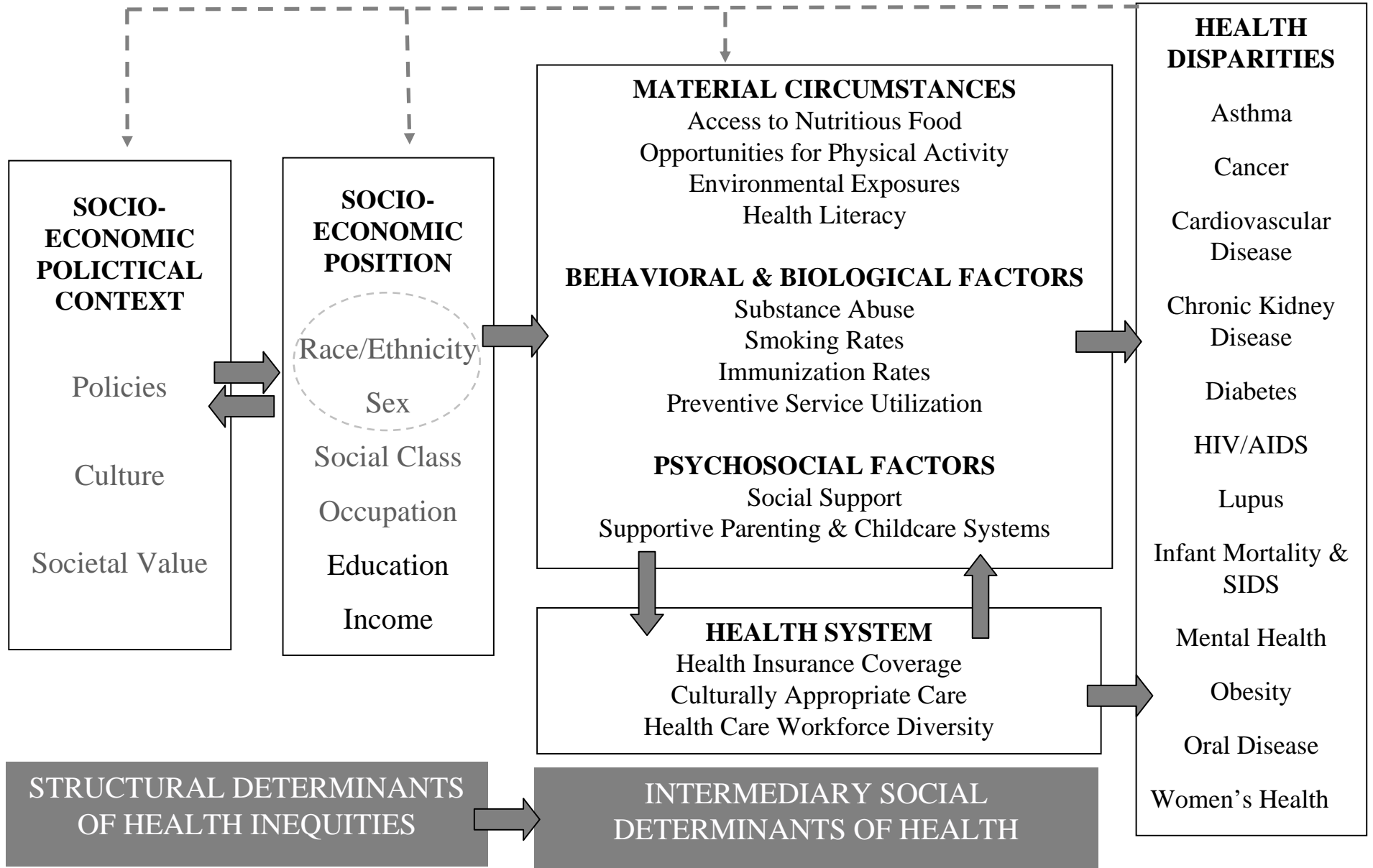
Health Topics Listed in RCW 43.20.280

Asthma	Breast Cancer	Cervical Cancer	Kidney Disease
Diabetes	Heart Disease	HIV/AIDS	Immunization Rates
Infant Mortality	Mental Health	Oral Disease	Prostate Cancer
Smoking Rates	SIDS	Stroke	Women's Health

Health Topics Added by the Council

Nutrition	Physical Activity	Colorectal Cancer	CLAS
Education	Environmental Exp.	Insurance Coverage	Health Literacy
Income	Lupus	Obesity	Preventive Services
Social Support	Substance Abuse	Parenting/Childcare	Workforce Diversity

Framework Linking the Social Determinants of Health with Health Disparities



Progress Toward Action Plan

Prioritized health topics by magnitude, severity, disparity

- Approved prioritization criteria and scoring process
- Members individually scored each health topic
- Results were summarized
- Council met to discuss and narrow list of priorities

Social Determinants of Health

Health Workforce Diversity
Substance Abuse
Health Insurance Coverage
Education
Health Literacy
Environmental Exposures
Smoking Rates

Health Conditions

Overweight & Obesity
Diabetes
HIV/AIDS
Kidney Disease
Heart Disease/Stroke

Progress Toward Action Plan

Next Steps:

- Conduct targeted environmental scans
- Identify top-five priorities
- Develop advisory committees
- Develop goals, objectives, strategies for first version of state action plan

Other Activities

Recommendations for culturally and linguistically appropriate health literature and interpretive services

- CCHCP assessments
- Public forum on Language, Culture, and Health Care
- Community meeting
- Next Steps:
 - Conduct further research
 - Hold additional public forums

Other Activities

Health impact reviews

- Propose forms and procedures
- Collaborate with SBOH on reviews

Other Activities

OMH State Partnership Grant

- Hire an Outreach Coordinator
- Convene and staff interagency workgroup to coordinate statewide efforts to improve communication capacity
- Create a communications directory
- Document gaps, identify recommendations to improve capacity and fill gaps
- Create and implement an outreach strategy for the Council

Other Activities

Public Input into the Council's Work

- Public testimony at council meetings
- Input through distribution list
- Participation in forums and community meetings
- Public input surveys (more than 200 received to date)

Other Activities

Fostering communication, coordination, and collaboration

- Member comments and updates at Council meetings
- Each Student Successful Summit
- Representation on stakeholder workgroup to develop performance indicators
- Participation on Health Care Workforce Data Subgroup

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