Health Equity Concerns

Obesity

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- Children and adults who are American Indian/Alaska Native, African American, Latino, or Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander are more likely to be obese.
  - Among 10th-graders, American Indian/Alaska Native (15%), black (13%), Hispanic (16%) and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (24%) populations continue to be at increased risk of obesity than whites (9%) or Asians (7%). (2014 & 2016 Healthy Youth Survey)
  - American Indian/Alaska Native (33%) and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (26%) populations had the highest age adjusted rates of obesity. (2014-2016 BRFSS)
  - Black (35%) and Hispanic (36%) adults had a higher rate of obesity than non-Hispanic whites and Asians (2014-2016 BRFSS)

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