# Key Findings from the Health Indicators for Women in Los Angeles County report 

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## Health Indicators for Women Report

- $3^{\text {rd }}$ Edition of this report:
- 100+ standard health indicators
- Demographics, Determinants of Health, Health Status, Access, Health Behaviors and Outcomes
- By race/ethnicity and federal poverty level
- Data Sources - 2009 to 2011
- LA County Department of Public Health
- Population based surveys - LACHS, LAMB

- Public Health Disease Reporting Systems and Registries
- CA State Birth, Death, ER and Hospital Discharge Data, Pop Projections
- California Health Interview Survey, UCLA
- LA County Cancer Surveillance Program, USC


## Diversity of Women in LA County

- 3.5 m adult women in LAC
- $68 \%$ are women of color
- 43\% Latina, 32\% White, 15\% 40\% API, 10\% Black, <1\% AI/NA
- About $46 \%$ of women are foreign-born
- $73 \%$ of API women, $67 \%$ of Latinas
- 39\% mostly speak a language other than English at home



## Population Projections for Adult Women in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2010-2060



## Diversity of Women in LA County

Women by Age Group


- About $84 \%$ of LA County women are 18-64 years
- Predominantly women of color
- $16 \%$ are $65+$ years
- Compared to 12.5\% of men
- $52 \%$ of women $65+$ years are white women


## Women in Los Angeles County by Age and Race/Ethnicity, 2011

$\square$ American Indian/Alaskan Native $\square$ Asian/Pacific Islander $\quad$ Black $\quad$ Latina $\square$ White


18-39 Year Olds


40-64 Year Olds


65 Years and Older

* Estimate is statistically unstable
** Cell sizes less than 5 - data not reported due to confidentiality


## Population Projections for Adult Women in Los Angeles County by Age, 2010-2060



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## Poverty and Women

- Over half of women have household incomes <200\% FPL
- $27 \%$ of women living in poverty (<100\% FPL)
- Compared to 20\% men
- Disparities by R/E
- 75\% Latinas with incomes <200\% FPL

Women by Federal Poverty Level (FPL)


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## Federal Poverty Level (FPL) Among Women in Los Angeles County By Race/Ethnicity, 2011

$\square<100 \%$ FPL $\quad 100-199 \%$ FPL $\quad 200-299 \%$ FPL $\quad 300-399 \%$ FPL $\geq 400 \%$ FPL


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## Education Level Among Women

Women by Education Level


- Less than High School Education
- 1 in 4 women in LA County
- Compared to $21 \%$ of men
- 54\% of women <100\% FPL
- 49\% of Latinas, 13\% of API, 11\% black, 5\% white
- College/Postgraduate degree
- $26 \%$ women, $28 \%$ men


## Other Determinants of Health

- Unemployed looking for work
- 13\% of women, $14 \%$ of men
- 22\% of women < $100 \%$ FPL
- Difficulty paying rent/mortgage in past 2 years
- 18\% of women, $17 \%$ of men
- $27 \%$ of women < $100 \%$ FPL, $23 \%$ of women $100-199 \%$ FPL
- Food insecurity and receiving food stamps (<300\% FPL)
- 32\% of women food insecure and 21\% receiving food stamps
- Among women <100\% FPL - 42\% food insecure and 38\% receiving food stamps


## Determinants of Health Among Women in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2011


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## Social Environment \& Health

- Ever experienced Intimate Partner Violence - More women than men - 17\% vs. 9\%
- 24\% black women, $20 \%$ white women, $16 \%$ Latinas, $6 \%$ API
- Social and emotional support when needed - $65 \%$ of women, 63\% of men
- $55 \%$ of Latinas, $56 \%$ of API women, $68 \%$ of black women, $80 \%$ of white women
- $53 \%$ of women <100\% FPL, $52 \%$ of women 100-199\% FPL compared to $83 \%$ of women $\geq 300 \%$ FPL


## Life Expectancy

- Life expectancy longer for women than men
- 84.3 years for women
- 79.1 years for men
- 9 years difference in life expectancy between API women and black women



## Self-Reported Health Status

Fair/Poor Health among
Women by Race/Ethnicity


- Fair/Poor Health Status
- $23 \%$ of women; $18 \%$ of men
- 31\% Latinas, 25\% black
- 39\% of women <100\% FPL, $28 \%$ of women 100-199\% FPL
- Health-Related Quality of Life
- Women <100\% FPL and black women report more poor mental health days, physical health days and days of activity limitation

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# Percent of Women who Report Fair or Poor Health Status and Difficulty Accessing Care in Los Angeles County, 2011 

$\square$ Fair/Poor Health $\quad$ Difficulty Accessing Medical Care


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## Health Care Access

## Uninsured Women (18-64 yrs) - Access to Care ${ }^{1}$ by Race/Ethnicity



- 17\% report no RSC
- 52\% no dental insurance
- Pregnancy and Birth²
- 83\% prenatal care in $1^{\text {st tri }}$
- 91\% postpartum checkup
- Only 31\% preconception counseling
- 26\% are uninsured, 41\% Latinas
- 31\% difficulty accessing care

22010 Los Angeles Mommy and Baby Survey and 2010 Perinatal Health Indicators, MCAH, DPH

## Access to Care Among Women in Los Angeles County by Federal Poverty Level (FPL), 2011

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## Clinical Preventive Services

- Immunizations
- Flu shot - 30\% of women 18-64 yrs, 63\% of women 65+
- Pneumococcal shot - 64\% of women 65+ vaccinated
- HPV vaccine series - 20\% girls 13-17 yrs
- Rates lower for Latinas and black women
- Cancer Screenings
- Pap test in past 3 yrs - 86\% of women 21-65 yrs
- Mammogram in past 2 yrs - 80\% of women 50-74 yrs
- Rates lower for Asian/Pacific Islander women


## Receipt of Clinical Preventive Services Among Women in Los Angeles County by Federal Poverty Level (FPL), 2011

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## Uninsured Women (18-64 yrs) and Health

- Health Status
- 27\% report fair/poor health
- Health Care Access
- 42\% with no regular source of care
- $75 \%$ report difficulty accessing care
- Clinical Preventive Services
- $78 \%$ report a Pap test in past 3 years
- $58 \%$ report a mammogram in past 2 years

Difficulty Accessing Care among Women by Insurance Status


## Health Behaviors

- Smoking - $10 \%$ of women
- 16\% black women and $14 \%$ white women
- 11\% of black women smoked during pregnancy (2010 LAMB Survey)
- Physical Activity - only $24 \%$ meet recommendations
- 18\% among women <100\% FPL; 20\% API and 22\% Latinas
- Nutrition - 34\% eat fast food once/wk and 27\% drink soda/sweetened drink per/day
- About 40\% for Latinas on both indicators
- Breastfeeding - $87 \%$ initiation and $45 \%$ breastfeed for 6 mo
- Among black women - 68\% initiation and 25\% breastfeed for 6 mo
- Among women $<100 \%$ FPL - $84 \%$ initiation and $34 \%$ breastfeed for 6 months

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## Percent of Women in Los Angeles County who are Physically Inactive and Eat Fast Food Once or More per Week by Service Planning Area (SPA), 2011

- Inactive (no aerobic activity) ■ Eat fast food once or more per week


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## Percent of Women in Los Angeles County who are Obese and At Risk for Heart Disease by Service Planning Area (SPA), 2011

$\square$ Obese $\quad$ At Risk ( $\geq 2$ out of 6 risk factors) for Heart Disease


## Health Conditions

- At Risk for Heart Disease ( $\geq 2$ out of 6 risk factors)
- $30 \%$ of women; $45 \%$ of black women
- Obesity
- Increased from 15\% in 1997 to 24\% of women in 2011
- $36 \%$ of black women and $33 \%$ of Latinas
- Ever Diagnosed with Diabetes
- Increased from 6\% in 1997 to 9\% of women in 2011
- 12\% of black women, 10\% Latinas and API women
- Current Depression - 10\% women, 6\% men
- $15 \%$ white women, $14 \%$ black women
- $51 \%$ of women with live birth - postpartum depressive symptoms (2010 LAMB Survey)

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## Health Condifions Among Women in Los Angeles County by Federal Poverty Level (FPL), 2011

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## Health Condifions

- Maternal and Infant Health ${ }^{1}$
- Of live births, $7 \%$ low birthweight, $10 \%$ preterm
- Higher among black women - 13\% low birthweight and 14\% preterm
- 48\% of live births from unintended pregnancies
- 60\% among black women; 57\% among Latinas
- Maternal Mortality
- Four times higher among black women
- Infant Mortality
- Two time higher among black women
- Communicable Diseases²
- Chlamydia
- $\uparrow$ from 570/100,000 in 2006 to 664/100,000 in 2011
- 2010/100,000 - black women; 733/100,000 - Latinas


## Ranking of Causes of Death and Premature Death Among Women, 2009

## Death

1 Coronary Heart Disease
2 Stroke
3 Emphysema/COPD
4 Alzheimer's Disease
5 Lung Cancer
6 Breast Cancer
7 Pneumonia/Influenza
8 Diabetes
9 Colorectal Cancer
10 Hypertension
10 Colorectal Cancer

## Premature Death

1 Coronary Heart Disease
2 Breast Cancer
3 Lung Cancer
4 Stroke
5 Motor Vehicle Crash
6 Unintentional Drug OD
7 Diabetes
8 Liver Disease
9 Suicide

## Selected Leading Causes of Death Among Women in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2009



## Conclusions

- Diverse population with unique health needs
- Projected to become more diverse
- Significant disparities in health
- Mulititude of social, physical and economic factors
- Dramatic influence of poverty
- Significant effect of poverty on all domains of health


## Looking to the Future

- Health Care Reform
- Opportunity to gain coverage for uninsured women
- Ensure access for those remaining uninsured or ineligible
- Aging Population
- Preparing for the increase in resources needed to support longevity and wellness for women
- Reducing Health Inequities
- Collaborative efforts and culturally-appropriate programs and policies


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