

BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION
HEALTH EQUITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2019 - 2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

The HEAC is an advisory body of the BPHC. The HEAC ensures that BPHC's work is responsive to community needs by providing information, guidance, and advice to BPHC's programs and services on matters related to racial justice and health equity.

VISION

A culture of equitable community engagement where the lived experiences and expertise of Boston residents historically impacted by health inequities are reflected in BPHC decision-making.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Created the HEAC Vision Statement
- Developed a COVID-19 Wear A Mask Instagram Campaign to promote mask-wearing

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- Informed the development of BPHC's Community Engagement Plan and Toolkit
- Informed the Research & Evaluation Office on how the community uses and accesses BPHC data
- Collaborated with the Office of Racial Equity and Community Engagement to organize focus groups on the COVID-19 vaccines
- Reviewed BPHC's shared framework and definitions on racism and racial equity

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- Assessed the Environmental & Occupational Health Division's engagement plan for parents of children with lead exposure

STRATEGIC PLANNING

- Informed the priorities of BPHC's Racial Justice and Health Equity COVID-19 Recovery Plan

