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# **A Health Equity Approach to Obesity Efforts: Proceedings of a Workshop—in Brief**

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## **Description**

Link to the National Academies report, *A Health Equity Approach to Obesity Efforts*.

## **Body**

On April 1, 2019, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine held a public workshop, *A Health Equity Approach to Obesity Efforts*, in Washington, DC. The workshop explored the history of health equity issues in demographic groups that have above-average obesity risk, and considered principles and approaches to address these issues as part of obesity prevention and treatment efforts. Speaker presentations addressed three areas: current policies and practices that either perpetuate health inequities or advance health equity; mechanisms to support community-driven solutions that can influence the social determinants of health; and approaches for fostering multisector collaboration to address disparities by exploring the issues related to the creation, implementation, and evaluation of equity-oriented programs, policies, and systems changes. Participants also discussed research needs to inform and mobilize equity-centered obesity prevention and treatment actions. This publication briefly summarizes the

presentations and discussions from the workshop.

[Read \*A Health Equity Approach to Obesity Efforts: Proceedings of a Workshop—in Brief\*](#)

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