Minority Health Disparities

Population in Illinois, 2015

Social and economic conditions contribute to **gaps in health care and health outcomes** between minorities and whites

**Health disparities** can arise from cultural barriers, language barriers, geographic isolation, and low income

Minorities experience a **disproportionate burden** of disease, disability, and death

Blacks ages 18-49 years, are **TWO times** as likely to die from heart disease than whites

Hispanics have a **23% higher** obesity rate than whites

Blacks have the **HIGHEST** death rate for all cancers combined compared with whites

American Indian/Alaska Native adults are **2.4 times** as likely as white adults to be diagnosed with diabetes

Opioid Overdose Death Rates
Percent Increase from 2015-2016

**Median Household Income in the U.S., 2015**

**Median Household Income in IL, 2015**