2023-2024 PROGRESS REPORT

RISE to
HEALTH
COALITION

RisetoHealthEquity.org
We envision a transformed health care ecosystem where all people have the power, circumstances, and resources to achieve optimal health. While the initial round of the coalition is over two years, we know this is a lifetime of work.

To realize our vision, we must:

**BUILD**
Build capacity, expand knowledge, and mobilize with concrete skills and tools to advance equity and racial justice in the health care ecosystem and in our communities.

**CHANGE**
Influence and fundamentally change policy, payment systems, education, standards, and practices.

**TRANSFORM**
Sustainably change mindsets and narratives within health care around equity and racial justice.

As an organization born out of the Civil Rights movement, NACHC is grateful to partner with Rise to Health to advance equity through the support of Community Health Centers, the nation's largest primary care network, serving 31.5 million patients nationwide.

Our collaboration allows us to share strategies, resources, and concerns with other leading national health care associations and align around a common purpose—to ensure health equity and racial justice across the health care delivery system and in communities.

Benjamin Money, Jr., MPH
Senior VP, Population Health
National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)
By the Numbers

Each commitment to address equitable health care starts a ripple effect of change.

7,883
Individuals Pursuing Equity and Grand Rounds Programs

837
Participating Health Care Organizations

14,200
Attended Coalition Events

23,710
Connected to Online Resources

4 Million
Publications & Media Reach
The theory behind the Rise to Health Coalition is that no individual or single organization can advance equity and justice alone. Three years into our equity commitments, many organizations are now at an inflection point. This is neither the first nor the last time we will face such a moment. But, as we have in the past, we must now commit ourselves anew to taking action with colleagues and communities to build a future where health and care are better, fairer, and more equitable.

Kedar Mate, MD
President & CEO
Institute for Healthcare Improvement
RISE TO HEALTH COALITION

Beginnings

In 2020, a team at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) began thinking about what it could look like to launch a national initiative focused on equity. In December of that year, Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, awarded IHI a grant to begin planning for the initiative. On January 1, 2021, the official planning and design phase began, for what would become Rise to Health: A National Coalition for Equity in Health Care.

A team at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) was formed to begin developing the vision, aim, and structure for the coalition, building on design principles and lessons learned from previous campaigns including the 100,000 Lives Campaign, 100 Million Healthier Lives, and the Age-Friendly Health Systems movement. The team knew launching a national coalition could not and should not be done by one organization alone, so partners were identified to join the effort to galvanize their networks, influence the field, and meaningfully contribute to the work ahead together. During the initial planning phase, a steering committee and workgroups were formed to identify the key audiences (to become the “Pillars”), inform content and key actions to support actors across the health care ecosystem in their equity work, and also to develop a measurement strategy to track results. On December 6, 2022, IHI President and CEO Kedar Mate, MD, announced the formation of the Rise to Health Coalition during the IHI Forum. A subsequent, broad scale launch was done on May 30, 2023.

Here, a brief Q&A with Camille Burnett, Vice President, Health Equity, US Equity Portfolio, at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, on creating the coalition.

Why was the Rise to Health Coalition formed?
The Rise to Health Coalition was created to gather key partners in the pursuit of a national healthcare ecosystem where all people have the power, the circumstances, and the resources that they need to have optimal health. For some time, we noticed that individuals and organizations were engaged in this work—but often in silos. We're all trying to do this work and we're all doing it in disparate ways. But there are lots of lessons we can learn from each other!

Instead of groups working separately and in some cases duplicating efforts—in what I call a patchwork approach, we must try to coordinate together across the ecosystem to maximize results. As a coalition, we can learn from each other, align our work, and mobilize for even greater collective impact.

Who has partnered to join the coalition?
We have many founding partners who are supporting the leadership of this effort. We also have three racial justice partners—
How are we going to achieve our vision?

We're going to build capacity.

We're going to expand our knowledge.

We're going to mobilize key sectors of the healthcare organization.

We're going to influence policy and standards, and we're going to shift mindsets.

Camille Burnett, Ph.D
Vice President, Health Equity, US, Institute for Healthcare Improvement

Where does the coalition begin this work?

We have attracted collaborators from across the healthcare ecosystem—individual practitioners, healthcare organizations, payers, pharmaceutical, biotech, research, and professional societies—all joining us as “pillars” on a staged journey built on the IHI 2016 white paper, *Achieving Health Equity*, available for download (link below, right).

The Journey begins with commitment. First, coalition members in each pillar get grounded in their local context and history of structural racism. Then they look for opportunities for improvements informed by their stratified data and how to make equity a strategic priority. The next steps of that journey encourage taking initiative with others toward ultimately fostering thriving communities.

The Rise to Health Coalition is dynamic and exciting. It has taken us to where we are now—implementation—which is a monumental endeavor! Together we are making a difference through the collective actions and commitment of all of you. We look forward to continuing this journey to advance and achieve health equity.
Our Strategy: Narrative Change

Narratives are powerful. They represent the stories and messages guiding us toward our values, and action on just about everything—from specific issues and challenges to proposed causes and solutions. Narrative transformation involves intervening to modify the type, prevalence, and scope of narratives in public discourse, replacing harmful dominant narratives with ones aligned with our shared vision and values.

The Rise to Health Coalition established a workgroup led by Race Forward, AMA, and IHI to develop a framework that captures key values and core narratives, initiating the development of related storytelling themes through an iterative approach.

Narrative change hinges on interventions (altering the hero, villain, plot, and conclusion) in our popular imagination to present new possibilities to our audience and influence their mindsets and behaviors.

“Narratives are everywhere. We see them on television. They come up in the stories that we share with others... Narrative change is how we tell different stories... To share new values for fairness, collective care, racial equity, and justice. How do we make those narratives pervasive? We do that through storytelling. Narrative change comes about by recruiting folks who actually want to share these stories of a new type of world.

Jane Mantey, Ph.D.
Director of Narrative and Cultural Strategies
Race Forward

Our Narrative Values Include:

**Interdependence:** We believe that cooperation and collective action are needed to transform inequitable systems.

**Belonging:** We believe that improving health for individuals and communities that experience health inequities benefits everyone.

**Strength:** We honor community knowledge and practices while acknowledging the structural inequities that lead to disparate health outcomes.

**Abundance:** We believe there are enough resources to achieve optimal health for everyone.

**Dignity:** There is inherent worth and value of all people.
The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) launched the Rise to Health Coalition (RTHC) in December 2022. Over the last year, IHI’s internal RTHC teams and our coalition core partners have developed the groundwork and resources to activate five key health care audiences through engagement and collective action.

The goal, said Shannon Welch, MPH, Senior Director at IHI and the Narrative Lead for Rise to Health Coalition, is to “build capacity, expand knowledge, and mobilize health care ecosystems with concrete skills and tools to advance equity and racial justice.”

By targeting 1) Individual Practitioners, 2) Healthcare Organizations, 3) Healthcare Payers, 4) Pharmaceutical, Research, and Biotechnology Organizations, and 5) Professional Society audiences, RTHC will not only influence policy, education, standards, and practices, but also change mindsets and narratives within health care around equity and racial justice.

The inaugural steps in this movement are reflected in RTHC’s “Collective and Coordinated Change” staged journey for coalition members. The work begins with acknowledging each member’s commitment to acting for equity before embarking on educational opportunities to deepen their understanding of healthcare equity and ultimately enacting strategic initiatives for change within their organizations.

While the staged journey is consistent across all pillars, the activities along the way are adjusted to meet the needs of each audience.

**A Staged Journey for Collective and Coordinated Action**

- Commit to Acting for Equity
- Get Grounded in History and Your Local Context
- Identify Opportunities for Improvement
- Make Equity a Strategic Priority
- Take Initiative with Others
- Align, Invest, and Advocate for Thriving Communities

Our foundational set of actions and associated activities are grouped into 6 categories or “steps” for collective focus and impact.

These inaugural steps are designed to move us through a deepening journey of shared learning and activities that will build momentum and impact over time.
Where are we today?

Each pillar has begun its journey toward collective and coordinated change, developing a format and series of goals that align best with their participants. No two beginnings are the same, and each pillar has its own story to tell.

Each pillar chose one word to encompass the nature of beginning this work ...

Individual Practitioners

_Grounding_

Through monthly Peer Affinity Groups, the Individual Practitioners Pillar supports a variety of healthcare practitioners—nurses, physicians, social workers, medical assistants, community health workers, and therapists, among others—with the resources and tools necessary to develop anti-racist practices that promote equitable health care within their workplaces.

**Pillar Goals**
- Explore structural racism in healthcare
- Build a foundation in equity principles
- Interpret data through an equity lens
- Reflect on your personal equity journey
- Apply equity concepts to your work
- Connect with peers for support and collaboration

**Format**
Participant groups meet for six monthly one-hour group calls that include discussions, expert guest speakers, and peer group breakout sessions.
“I’ve embodied and committed my life to advancing equity before this space was centered on a much larger platform.”

Race: Black/African American
Clinical Role: Registered Nurse
Organizational Context: 600+-bed regional academic health center serving under-resourced/marginalized populations in urban and rural settings. I’ve served as a nurse for almost 30 years in community, clinical, and health insurer settings.

What are you hoping to learn or gain from participating in the IP Peer Affinity Group?
I am serving as the Director of a grant-funded role created to address health equity and social justice issues in my state. I hope to gain actionable knowledge, engage with a brave network of practitioners, and develop tools to apply to my work and share with my team.

“The Individual Practitioner Peer Affinity Groups attracted experienced practitioners who often felt overwhelmed or alone in their work. The groups provide an opportunity to re-energize and connect with like-minded individuals who help inspire and enact change. These personas represent anonymous participants who shared their stories.”

“...I want to work myself out of a job!”

Race: White/Caucasian
Clinical Role: Patient and Family Advisor
Organizational Context: Independent worker serving a rural community.

What are you hoping to learn or gain from participating in the IP Peer Affinity Group?
70%+ of our community is on Medicare/Medicaid, and as with most communities like mine, we are older, sicker, and poorer than average. Our nearest chain grocery store is 15 miles away... [and] our hospital is in dire straits...

I want my community, and every other person, to have ridiculously unbridled access to all the healthcare they require, including medical care, mental health services, food, and shelter. Unemploy me!
“This is a long, often lonely, journey. Any folks working together to address healthcare disparities, particularly in today’s social and political climate, are best served by partnering and collaborating.”

**Race:** Hispanic/Latino  
**Clinical Role:** DEI Director, part of clinical leadership team  
**Organizational Context:** A national medical group with over 15,000 clinicians practicing in hospitals across the country and serving over 20 million patients per year.

**What are you hoping to learn or gain from participating in the IP Peer Affinity Group?**  
Health equity as a discipline is rapidly emerging, but many clinicians and those who support clinicians feel ill-equipped to understand their role in addressing disparities at a systemic and individual patient level. I am hoping to strengthen my network of folks doing like-minded work, learn or help identify innovative practices, and better understand how our collective efforts can truly move the needle in bridging the health equity gap.

“Health equity goes far beyond race... other dimensions of identity and -isms or -phobias (ageism, classism, ableism, fatphobia, transphobia, xenophobia, anti-semitism, homophobia, etc.) are frequently left out of the conversation.”

**Race:** American Indian/Alaska Native; White  
**Clinical Role:** Pharmacist & Educator focused on Infectious Diseases; Disability studies.  
**Organizational Context:** University setting, serving low socioeconomic status, diverse races/ethnicities, and who receive minimal primary or preventative care.

**What are you hoping to learn or gain from participating in the IP Peer Affinity Group?**  
As someone who is teaching pharmacy and medical students and medical faculty members, I want to ensure that I am representing the challenges, best practices, and linguistic aspects of health equity to those with whom I interact.
Health is a major determinant of life outcomes. Yet, we know that inequities across healthcare—from access and cost to quality of care—disproportionately impact people of color, particularly Black and Indigenous populations. We also know that the healthcare sector has played a role in the creation of racial inequities and currently maintains a system in which racial inequities prevail.

To eradicate these inequities, it will take all of us—healthcare providers, insurers, pharmaceutical and biotech companies, and racial justice and patient advocates—working in deep partnership with those most impacted to adopt community-centered, racially equitable healthcare policies, practices, pricing, and standards that will benefit all people, across nationality, gender, gender identity, and ability. We, at Race Forward, are pleased to work on the important initiatives of the Rise To Health Coalition to do just that.

Glenn Harris  
President  
Race Forward

When we share our personal experiences and learn about the embedded inequities in health systems, the seeds of change are sown. Training sessions become a space to cultivate relationships and develop team support for advancing health equity initiatives.
Healthcare Organizations

**Collaboration**

For Healthcare Organizations, RTHC has established a **Learning Network** where participants at different stages of equity improvement are given the targeted support they need to actively address systematic change.

**Pillar Goals**
- Build community and trust among participating organizations
- Maintain a communication system among participants to support rapid learning, trusted connections, and relationship-building with like-minded organizations
- Engage with leading subject matter experts in equity, racial justice, and improvement science during monthly calls
- Leverage improvement methods and tools to publicly highlight the learning and successes of each organization’s progress

To date, **20 organizations and over 70 active participants** have joined the Healthcare Organization Learning Network. Each organization is represented by three to five individuals who represent their company diversely across race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and multidisciplinary roles/units. A letter of support from executive leadership was required to join the network to ensure a top-down commitment to each organization’s equity journey.

**Format**
The Learning Network meets for ten months via virtual sessions that include talks with subject matter experts, group coaching, and peer-sharing opportunities called “Bright Spots.” In between sessions, teams work on completing assessments, sharing key learnings, and applying what they learned within their organization.

**Learning Network Timeline**

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The Rise to Health Coalition exemplifies the principle that health equity is a team sport, underscoring the need for collective efforts across industries and silos to transform the health ecosystem. This collaboration is not just a requirement but a cornerstone for the well-being of individuals, the vitality of our communities, and the very essence of our humanity.

Dr. Bryan O. Buckley
Director, Health Equity Initiatives
National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA)

We at the Groundwater Institute are honored to be part of the Rise to Health Coalition. In our work with leaders across industries, we have seen the power of collective, coordinated action that addresses the root causes of inequity.

When we hear from participants in Rise to Health that our program is “transformational” and “energizing,” and is motivating them to take specific and bolder actions in Rise to Health, we know we’re on a path to build a healthcare system that is better for all of us.

Bay Love & Ellen Hunter
Groundwater Institute Partners

The Healthcare Organization Pillar aims to mobilize and equip 250 health care organizations to build an anti-racist and inclusive healthcare system, where all patients and staff (particularly those who identify as BIPOC) feel respected and empowered toward their optimal health by December 2024.

Examples From the Field
While participating in the Pursuing Equity Learning Network that launched in early 2023, organizations selected a clinical area of focus, participated in a Groundwater Institute training, and had the option to join group coaching calls. Participating organizations are being equipped to bring new tools, skills, and a deep understanding of equity and racial justice back to their organizations. They also set goals and identify areas to test change inside their own organizations.

One HCO is working to improve the screening rate for kidney health in their adult diabetic population by 5% for all patients and decrease inequity in screening rates by 25% by June 2024.

Another HCO is working to ensure 100% of patients are screened for language access needs and are offered services to provide linguistically appropriate services to all patients by June 30, 2024.
For health plan executives, managers, and staff of all levels, RTHC established monthly roundtable sessions with guest speakers, group coaching, and a complimentary Groundwater Institute training. Roundtables will continue through August 2024.

Feedback From Participants

“The Roundtable discussions will be helpful for us to engage on a national level!”

“We could use support with accountability, influence, and commitment of senior leadership in payer spaces. They “talk” but don’t “walk” the commitment in health equity.”

“Excited for this venue as we are working towards our equity-first approach for our members. While we have baseline approaches in place, we are striving to move the needle for more impact. Appreciate being included.”

To date, the pillar has engaged 100+ individuals from over 30 health plan/payer organizations involved in the program nationwide.
Pharmaceutical, Research, and Biotechnology Organizations

Assembly

For organizations working in the pharmaceutical, research, and biotechnology sectors, this pillar offers monthly one-hour discussions called “Fireside Chats,” plus optional coaching and racial justice trainings.

The goal is to equip participants with the tools to assemble the right teams and engage in meaningful conversations with leaders about health equity and racial justice work.

Participants and Format

Leadership and staff from Pharmaceutical, Research, and Biotechnology organizations assemble into two cohorts to achieve long-term solutions. This work is funded by Bristol Myers Squibb and Genentech.

The first cohort runs from January to August 2024, and members work on their equity assessment through December 2024. The second cohort runs from February to November 2024, and members work on their equity assessment through the end of the year.

The first cohort is at capacity with 55 participants representing 31 organizations, including Icon, Pfizer, BMS, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Novocure, Healthmap Solutions, Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, University of Texas Institute for Health Promotion and Research, RTI, St. Jude, and more.

The PRB pillar held an in-person, 1.5-day immersive workshop experience with Groundwater Institute, training 25 participants in IHI's Boston, MA, office in early February.
Professional Societies

*Embank*

The Societies pillar is in the forming stage, designing the program to begin in July 2024. Organizations that represent diverse healthcare professionals are coming together in coordinated learning and action workgroups. DEI leaders are advising on strategy, direction, content, and activities to prepare for launch.

Through the development of Core Learning Networks and Action Workgroups, this pillar is building momentum for Equitable Professional Society Leadership Roundtable Convenings and “Grand Rounds” events throughout the year. Planned Action Workgroups include subjects such as race, clinical algorithms, and workforce diversification.

**Convening the Leadership Roundtable**

This diverse group of stakeholders will engage in collaborative discussion, problem-solving, and decision-making on the strategy, direction, content, and activities of the Equitable Professional Societies Network.

We have 28 leaders participating in the Leadership Roundtable who will:

- Inform and help equip professional societies to operationalize equitable structural changes within and beyond their organizations
- Engage in critical discussions with peers to influence the role and direction of medical professional societies in addressing inequity
- Support the development of the Learning Network and Action Workstreams
- Support and champion recruitment of organizations to the Network.

**Societies Pillar Timeline**

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**Equitable Professional Societies Leadership Roundtable Convenings Begin**

- March 2024
- May 2024
- July 2024
- September 2024
- November 2024
- January 2025

**Launch New Action Workgroups Grand Rounds Events**

- August 2024
- October 2024
- December 2024

**Program Celebrations**
Poems from the Heart —
Listen Deeply, and Healing Happens

Truth Is
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Truth is
I don’t have a story
about my parents
struggling as immigrants
but I’ve heard
enough to know
we must do better
Truth is
equity’s
the only soil
where quality can grow
its nutrients
universally
necessary
Truth is
education’s
the only tool
to level
the growing field
till us up enough
to change
Truth is
inside, we’re the same
wanting to learn
move forward
make a difference
especially
when someone listens

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Letter from a Colleague
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It destroys me
seeing us
struggle, in a sad
dark place, no escape
helping others
hurting ourselves
hearing you ask --
can someone else say it?
the punch to your gut
is a punch to mine
I hope you know
you’re never alone
I sing for us
pray for us
every time
we’re laid bare
I’m here to
shed tears together
dig deep in the trenches
for hope
support
we all need.

-Jenny Hegland, Listener Poet

During the 2023 IHI Forum, RTHC sponsored an attentive poet to capture the sentiments of attendees grappling with the challenges of advancing equitable healthcare and racial justice. These poetic insights into the inner thoughts of healthcare heroes revealed the profound impacts of persisting injustices.

enough
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they’ve ignored him
belittled him, dismissed him
and now when his yells
reverberate up and
down these halls,

they call him non-compliant and dangerous

I know
because the same thing
has happened here
to me, to mine even though I
work in this place
and I am at my limit
if this were a spouse or
ex-partner, this toxic
treatment would be called
abuse—and rightfully so
it’s no less abusive just
because it’s a hospital
(just because it’s my
hospital)
I have
taken this for 15 years
too long, so long I’m
programmed to
call it normal
but now I am at my limit
they’ve clothed me in
gray scrubs made
of their offensiveness
and yet, to them, I’m naked
this place is
gray and soul-less
and yet, to them, it’s fine
I deserve
more joy, more support
more respect than
this place is willing to give
and this is enough—
I am at my limit

-Yvette Perry, Listener Poet
Measuring Our Groundwater Institute Trainings

The Groundwater Institute (GWI) is a diverse collective of racial equity advocates, grassroots organizers, strategy consultants, and institutional leaders committed to shining a light on the root cause of the inequities in our society and driving large-scale transformation to build a more equitable future. They equip leaders with the analysis, skills, and community to transform themselves, their organizations, and systems.

RTHC has offered two types of Groundwater Institute Learning Offerings: three 4-hr Groundwater Experiences, and a 1.5-day Immersive Experience. **A total of 109 people participated in four sessions.**

Participants are asked what most accurately reflects their current thinking using a pre- and post-survey tool to evaluate shifts in levels of agreement or disagreement with a set of belief statements:

1. Racial inequity exists across different systems (e.g., healthcare, education, criminal justice).
2. Socio-economic differences do not explain racial inequity.
3. Individuals within these systems can unknowingly contribute to racial inequity.
4. Disparate outcomes today are connected to historical events designed to maintain power structures.
5. Reducing racial inequity requires changes to systems and structures.
6. Understanding discrimination against Black people is important to understanding discrimination against any other group.

**Preliminary Data Results:**

**7% Increase**
On a 1-5 scale, RTHC participants moved from 4.55 to 4.90 across all belief statements.

**16% Increase**
Across all belief statements, RTHC participants moved from 82% confident in their ability to support beliefs with data to 98% confident.

**89 Net Promoter Score**
Likelihood of a participant recommending the experience to a friend or colleague. (Outstanding score when comparing with B2B and B2C averages in recent years.)

“**This has been transformational to me. My understanding of racial inequities has been greatly expanded as a result of Groundwater framing. Really well done. I would love to work more with this organization and this work. I have NEVER felt this way after a racial justice training.**

- Participant feedback
Adopting an Equity Assessment Tool
The Racial Equity in Healthcare Progress Report

Rush University, in partnership with University of Chicago Medicine, the Civic Consulting Alliance, the Illinois Health and Hospital Association (IHA), and DO Tank, has developed a racial health equity scorecard for healthcare institutions. Currently in its nationwide pilot, the *Racial Equity in Healthcare Progress Report* is a long-term accountability tool that documents progress toward achieving racial health equity across healthcare organizations.

Healthcare organizations are asked to complete an assessment as part of their work with the RTHC. The *Racial Equity in Healthcare Progress Report* was selected as the official assessment tool because of its wide accessibility. Organizations using tools like the *American Hospital Association Health Equity Roadmap* were able to continue with those similar methods of assessment.

Designed to encourage collective improvement rather than competition, this progress report captures an organization’s **baseline self-assessment** in four areas:

- **People**: Evaluate the board members, leadership teams, and employees at the organization.
- **Patients**: Look at who the organization serves. Does it have a firm handle on the clinical inequities across patient populations?
- **Organization**: Address the internal strategies, policies, and practices important to advancing health equity in the organization.
- **Community**: Answer questions about the community stakeholders the organization is working “with” in their pursuit for health equity — not just working “for.”

Through robust analytic features, this information rolls into an annual progress report that highlights the organizations’ accomplishments and helps identify areas for growth, year after year.

First launched in Illinois in 2020, the tool is both CMS-aligned and freely available across the United States, thanks to support from the Commonwealth Fund.

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*It's been incredible to see the depth and breadth of organizations who've engaged with this tool and learn that it’s helpful to them at different points of their journey.*

Adam Kohlrus  Ms, CPHQ, CPPS, Partner & Chief Health Strategist, DoTANK
A developer of *The Racial Equity in Healthcare Progress Report*
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Rama on Healthcare
New coalition to focus on equity in health care

Becker’s Hospital Review
IHI starts National Coalition for Equity in Healthcare with AMA, Race Forward

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Our Partners

We’ve assembled dedicated partners to advance equity and justice in the health care ecosystem and acknowledge the following organizations for their generous contributions:

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Looking Forward

We are extremely proud of the work we have accomplished together and anticipate successfully concluding the current implementation phase. We will continue our collective work to advance equity and justice in health care across the five identified pillars, measuring impact while gathering stories of the work for wider dissemination. By the close of the 2nd quarter of 2025, we will share our final report documenting our impact, results, and insights to guide our future endeavors as we persist in this lifelong equity journey and hand over the baton to the next generation.

Join the Rise to Health Coalition and spread the word!