

**“OF ALL FORMS OF INEQUALITY
INJUSTICE IN HEALTH CARE IS THE
MOST SHOCKING AND INHUMANE.”**

– Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Racial and Ethnic Minority Populations

Racial and ethnic minority populations are defined as American Indian and Alaska Native, Asian, black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, and Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.

AMERICAN INDIAN & ALASKA NATIVE
POPULATION

ASIAN AMERICAN POPULATION

BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN
POPULATION

HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION

NATIVE HAWAIIAN &
OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER POPULATION

MULTIRACIAL POPULATION

WHITE POPULATION



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Nevada Office of Minority Health

Purpose and Mission.

The mission of the Nevada Office of Minority Health is to improve the quality of health care services for members of minority groups; and to increase access to health care services; to seek ways to provide education, address, treat and prevent diseases and conditions that are prevalent among minority population



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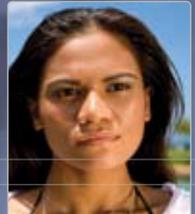
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Health Affects

Racial and ethnic minorities are disproportionately affected by health problems and disease in Nevada and throughout the nation. Minorities often have higher rates of infectious and chronic diseases due to a variety of reasons including the following factors:

- ❖ Socioeconomic Status
- ❖ Disparities in access to care
- ❖ Environment Culture and Tradition
- ❖ Discrimination



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The Organizational Structure and History of the Office of Minority Health



The Nevada State Legislature created the Office of Minority Health with passage of Assembly Bill 580 during the 2005 legislative session. Included in the bill was the creation of an Advisory Committee, composed of nine members reflecting the ethnic and geographical diversity of the state.



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Vision

The Nevada Office of Minority Health vision is to achieve optimal levels of health and wellness for ethnic minorities in the state. The Office is tasked to provide an organized focus serving to:

- ❖ Identify, assess and analyze issues related to the health status of minority populations and to communicate this information where needed.
- ❖ Develop and coordinate a state minority health plan, minority needs assessments, service strategies and minority health data.
- ❖ Provide reference and resource information on minority health issues.
- ❖ Engage internal and external entities to support initiatives that address specific minority health needs including targeting health care program resources to meet these needs.
- ❖ Monitor Department health programs, policies and procedures for inclusiveness and responsiveness to minority health needs.
- ❖ Facilitate the development and implementation of research and scientific investigations to produce minority specific findings.



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