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### State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services

Presentation to Home Care Employment Standards Board – Subcommittee on Systemic Racism and Economic Injustice

"Office of Minority Health and Equity Overview"

By Tina Dortch, NOMHE Program Manager

09/19/2022

Helping people. It's who we are and what we do.



### Agenda

- 1. Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity (NOMHE) History, Organizational Structure
- 2. NOMHE Mission and Purpose
- 3. NOMHE Activities that Address Systemic Racism





## **NOMHE History**

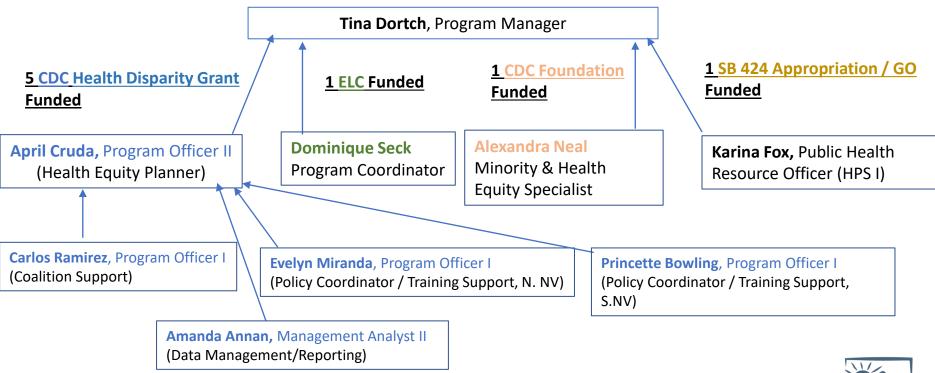
- Heckler Report (1985)
  - Nationwide Network of Offices of Minority Health (OMH)
- Nevada Office of Minority Health Timeline and Transitions
  - 2005 2015 OMH
  - Nevada's 79<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session (2017)
  - 2018 present NOMHE





#### **NOMHE Staffing**

(as of June 29, 2022)





### **NOMHE Advisory Committee**

#### Effective August 16, 2022

The following individuals are appointed to serve as NOMHE's Advisory Committee members:

Erik Jimenez Senior Policy Director, Office of the Nevada State Treasurer

Andrea Gregg Executive Director, High Sierra Area Health Education Center

Rev. Dr. Karen Anderson Senior Pastor, First AME Church Las Vegas

Rutu Ezhuthachan MD, MMM, FAAP (Vice Chair) Chief Medical Officer, Health Plan of Nevada Medicaid Medical Director of Quality Improvement, Health Plan of Nevada (UnitedHealthcare Nevada)

Samuel J. Hickson, Ph.D., LMSW, MSSA, MBA, ACE-CHC (Chair) Social Worker, Intermountain Healthcare

**Dr. Crystal Lee, PhD, MPH, MLS** Assistant Professor, University of New Mexico, College of Population Health CEO, Indigenous Health

**Reimund Serafica, Ph.D, MSN, APRN, PMHNP-BC, CNE** Associate Professor, School of Nursing, University of Nevada—Las Vegas President, Asian American/ Pacific Islander Nurses Association of Nevada

LEGISLATIVE ADVISOR: Senator Patricia Spearman



## **NOMHE** Mission and Purpose

- Improve Quality of Health Care, Increase Access for All Minority Groups, Marginalized Communities, and Under-Resourced Populations
- **Develop** Mutually Beneficial Educational Opportunities and Outreach
- Recognize and Validate Inequitable Trends, Resulting in Disproportionately Experienced Disparities
- Institutionalize Health Equity



#### NOMHE Activities that Address Systemic Racism

#### • Actioning

- Legislative-Branch Directives
- Executive-Branch Directives

#### Amplification and Implementation

- Organizational Level
- Community Level
- Workforce Diversification





# Questions?





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