

# HEALTH INEQUITIES AND HIV VULNERABILITY

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# Why Do HIV/AIDS Disparities Exist?

## **The impact of Bias: An unsupported focus on behavior**

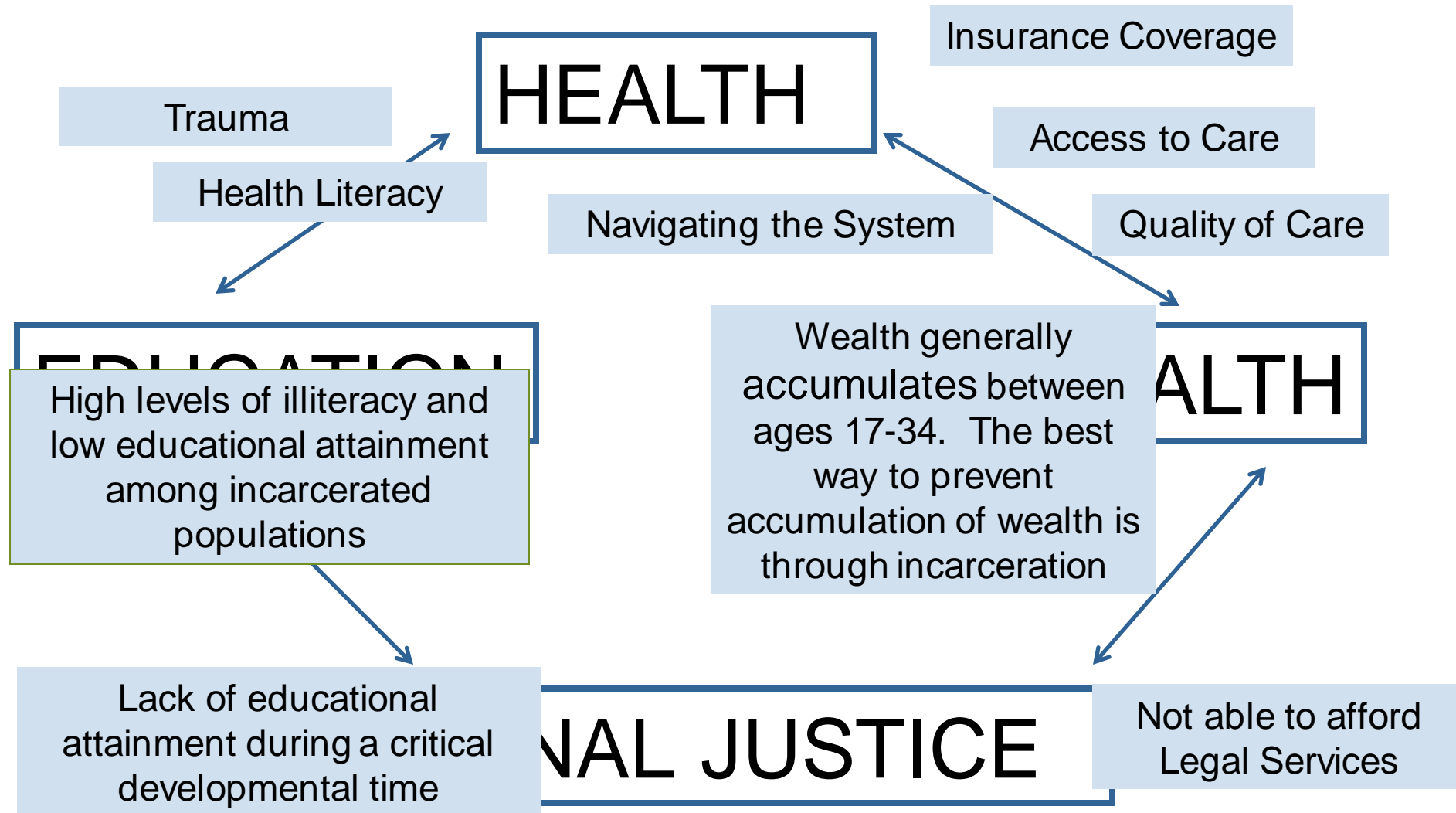
- Black young adults are at elevated STD and HIV risk even when behaviors are normative (Hallfors et al., 2007)
- Adolescent drug and alcohol use is lowest among Blacks and Asians (Gilmore et al, 2009)
- Black Americans use condoms during vaginal intercourse significantly more than White Americans (Reece et al, 2010; Soler et al, 2000)
- African Americans consistently report less IVDU than White counterparts (Keen et al, 2014; Kim et al, 1993)

## **Disproportionate impact of structural factors on communities of color** (too many articles to cite!)

## **Combination of assortative mixing, tight sexual networks and elevated community viral load** (Andrasik et al, 2015; Adimora et al, 2014; Aadimora et al, 2013; Morris et al; 2009)

## **Historical Trauma/Stressors/Discrimination/Stigma** (NASTAD, 2014)

# The Four Great Race Disparities



# Structural & Social Factors

- **Poverty**
  - **Economic Inequality (constrained educational & employment opportunities)**
  - **Residential and Social Segregation**
  - **Insurance**
- **The Assault BIPOC lives**
  - **Male Mortality**
  - **Infant Mortality**
  - **Native Youth Suicide**
- **Impact of Violence & Trauma on Community**
  - **Historical Trauma**
  - **Microaggressions**
  - **Stressors**
    - **Psychological**
    - **Social**
    - **Environmental**
    - **Physical**
    - **Chemical**

THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS????

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