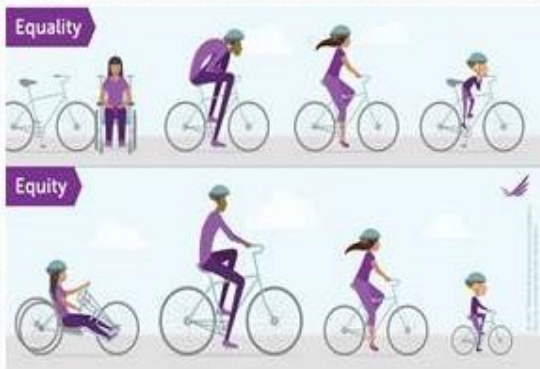


# Health Equity



Health Equity is the opportunity for everyone to attain his or her full health potential. No one is disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of his or her social position (e.g., class, socioeconomic status) or socially assigned circumstance (e.g., race, gender, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, geography).

This requires removing obstacles to health such as poverty, racism and other forms of discrimination, and resulting consequences, including lack of access to good jobs with fair pay, quality education and housing, safe environments, and health care.