

# NCCOR Member Call

October 18, 2023 | 2:00 pm ET

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# Agenda

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- Emerging Opportunities for NCCOR
- Steering Committee Updates
- Spotlight: *Community Partnerships to Advance Science for Society (ComPASS)*
  - Dr. Alison Brown, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
- Workgroup Updates
- Communication Updates
- Announcements
- Calendar Reminders

# Emerging Opportunities for NCCOR

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# Steering Committee Updates

- Please complete the NCCOR Member Survey to help us plan for future research and program activities.
- February 2024 Member Meeting
  - Wednesday, February 28, 2024
  - Virtual
- May 2024 Member Meeting
  - Thursday, May 16, 2024, in Washington, DC
  - This will be a Senior Leadership Briefing
  - Invitations have been sent

# Spotlight:

## Community Partnerships to Advance Science for Society (ComPASS)

Alison Brown, MS, PhD, RDN  
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute

# National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity (NCCOR) **Member Meeting**

## Community Partnerships to Advance Science for Society (ComPASS)

Alison Brown, PhD, RDN  
ComPASS Program Coordinator  
Wednesday, October, 18, 2:00-3:00pm



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# ComPASS Working Group: An NIH-wide Effort

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# What is ComPASS?



- Community Partnerships to Advance Science for Society (ComPASS)
- Supported by the NIH Common Fund
- Health Equity Focus
- Community-Led
- Leveraging Structural Interventions and Multi-Sectoral Partnerships
- Intervening on Social Determinants of Health
- Improve Health Outcomes
- Reduce Health Disparities
- Advance Health Equity Research

# What is the NIH Common Fund?

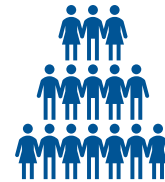
- Funded by the Office of the Director, managed in partnership with the NIH Institutes and Centers
- Supports a set of NIH-wide scientific programs
- Fosters innovative ideas with the potential for transformative impact
- Intended to benefit the broad biomedical and behavioral research community



Accelerate  
emerging  
science



Remove  
research  
roadblocks



Enhance the  
research  
workforce



Support high-risk,  
high-reward  
science

# The Common Fund Moves the NIH Mission Forward-Faster

- Supporting bold scientific programs that **catalyze discovery** across all biomedical and behavioral research
- Advances areas of biomedical and behavioral research important to the missions of multiple NIH Institutes and Centers
- Spurs subsequent biomedical and behavioral advances that otherwise would not be possible without an initial strategic investment



# Overall Goals of ComPASS

## HEALTH EQUITY



1. To catalyze, deploy, and evaluate **community-led** health equity **structural interventions** that leverage partnerships across multiple sectors to reduce health disparities
2. To develop a **new health equity research model** for community-led, multisectoral structural intervention research across NIH and other federal agencies



# Community-Engaged from the Start: *Listening Sessions*

NIH conducted [eight listening sessions](#) to solicit input on the initiative. **More than 500 people** participated across all listening sessions.

Members from various interest groups provided input to inform the development of the innovative ComPASS Program.

## Themes

- Community ownership
- Forging relationships and building trust
- Community capacity building
- Innovative public-private partnerships
- Navigating the NIH enterprise
- Create intervention across multiple sectors
- Data and evidence for structural interventions are needed

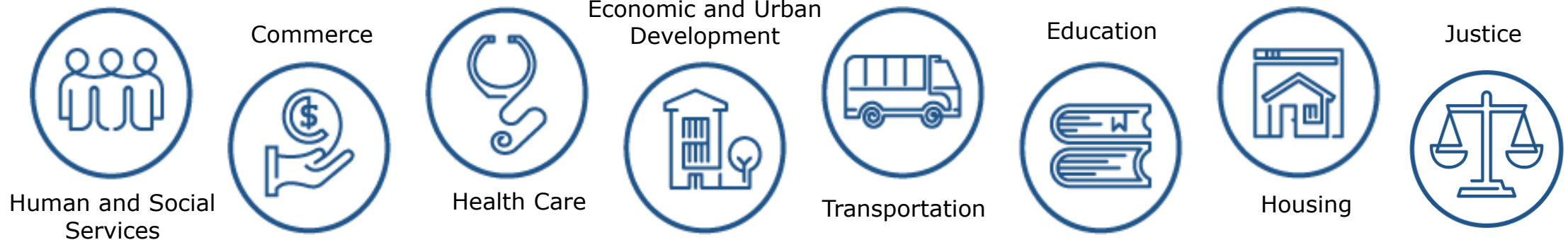




# Structural Interventions to Address Social Determinants of Health

*"Structural interventions attempt to change the social, physical, economic, or political environments that may shape or constrain health behaviors and outcomes, altering the larger social context by which health disparities emerge and persist"*

-Brown, et al 2019, American Journal of Public Health



# Examples of Structural Interventions

**These examples have the potential to influence health outcomes:**

- Criminal justice system policy changes to address structural racial/ethnic and socioeconomic discrimination
- Universal basic income programs and policies to address issues of economic instability
- High-speed broadband internet expansion to enhance internet connectivity and telehealth access in rural and other underserved communities
- Community revitalization investment projects to enhance neighborhood and community resources and facilitate health promoting behaviors



# Innovations in Community-Led Research

- Community engaged approaches are recognized as key research strategies to address health disparities and advance health equity.
- Community-led research changes the process by which research has traditionally been conducted
- Community-led research requires a transformation in the processes and practices that govern research engagement
- Unique approach aligns with NIH's goal to enhance acceptability and sustainability of effective interventions to improve health equity and sustain positive impacts.



# ComPASS Initiatives

## HEALTH EQUITY



Community-Led, Health Equity Structural Interventions (CHESIs)



Health Equity Research Hubs (Hubs)



ComPASS Coordination Center (CCC)

# ComPASS Initiatives

- Program duration: 10 years

**OTA-22-007 (OTA)**  
**25 awards, FY23**



**Community-Led, Health Equity  
Structural Interventions (CHESIs)**

**RFA-RM-23-012 (UC2)**  
**Up to 5 awards, FY24**



**Health Equity Research Hubs  
(Hubs)**

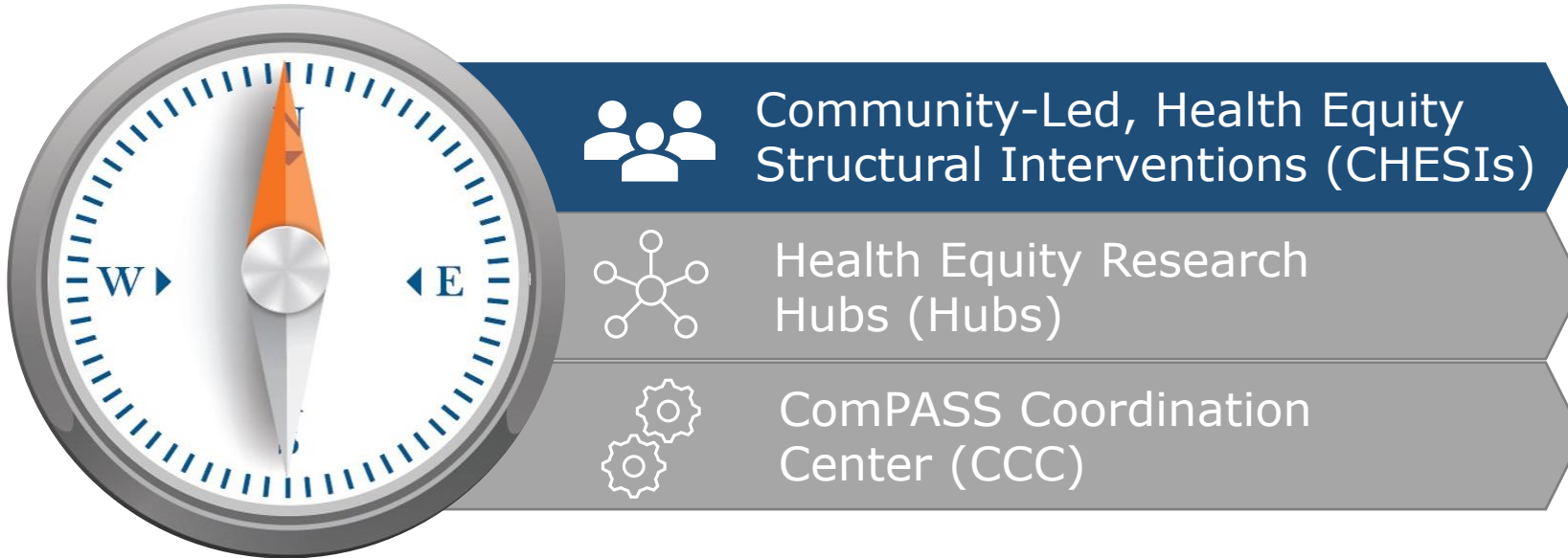
**RFA-RM-23-001 (U24)**  
**1 award, FY23**



**ComPASS Coordination Center  
(CCC)**



# Community-Led, Health Equity Structural Interventions (CHESIs)



**Goal:** Community organizations and research partners will develop and implement community-led, health equity structural interventions targeting social determinants of health

# Community-Led, Health Equity Structural Interventions (CHESIs) Initiative: Three-Phased Approach

1

## PLANNING (Year 1-2)

- Plan, develop, pilot (as appropriate) structural interventions
  - Capacity and partnership building
- Develop local Health Equity Research Assembly (HERA)

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## IMPLEMENTATION (Year 3-8)

- Implement community-led, health equity structural interventions, with local HERAs
  - Interventions will influence health outcomes across multiple health conditions and diseases

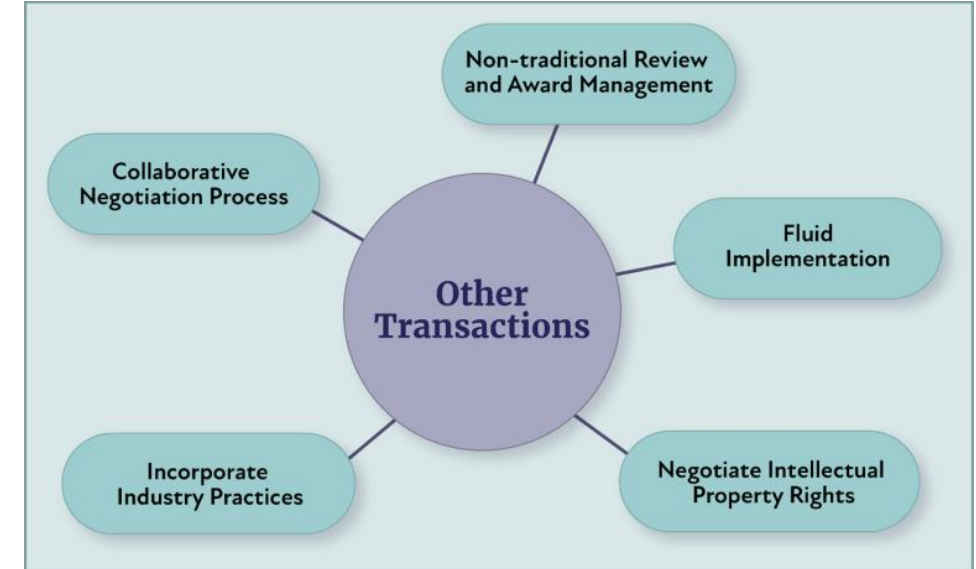
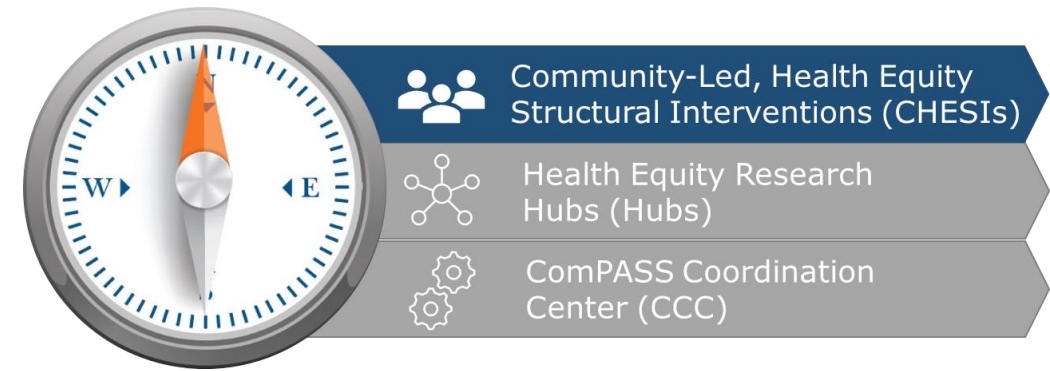
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## DISSEMINATION (Year 9-10)

- Assess health impacts of structural intervention research findings
- Develop dissemination and sustainability plan for structural interventions

# Other Transactions Authority (OT)

- **Not a grant, cooperative agreement, or contract**
- OTs allow the **nimble addition or subtraction** of expertise, tools, methodologies, technologies, and partnerships to meet program needs
- OTs facilitate **engagement of nontraditional partners** as well as flexible award management, cost-sharing and IP/data ownership
- **NIH may propose or require changes** outside the scope of the ROA and/or application to meet program needs
- Reporting requirements may be **tailored for each award**
- Award **funding is different** (e.g., variable segment lengths, no future commitment, can be terminated or extended by NIH unilaterally...)
- Further guidance regarding funding mechanism flexibilities in the NIH [OT Policy Guide](#)



# CHESI Initiative Strategic Community Outreach and Enthusiastic Response



Community-Led, Health Equity Structural Interventions (CHESIs)



Health Equity Research Hubs (Hubs)



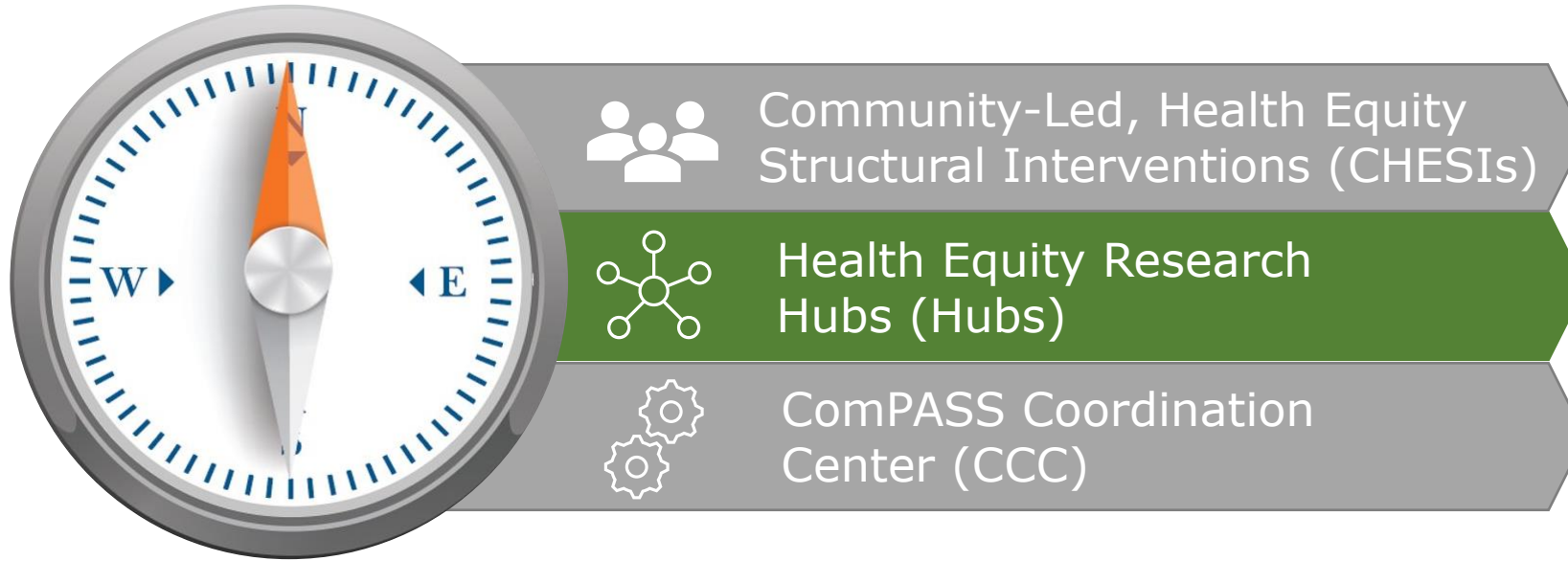
ComPASS Coordination Center (CCC)

Held **8** Technical Assistance Webinars and Office Hours with over **2,400** total participants

The first Full Application Technical Assistance Webinar had **780** attendees

**3** Technical Assistance videos on YouTube had a total of over **3,300** views

# Health Equity Research Hubs



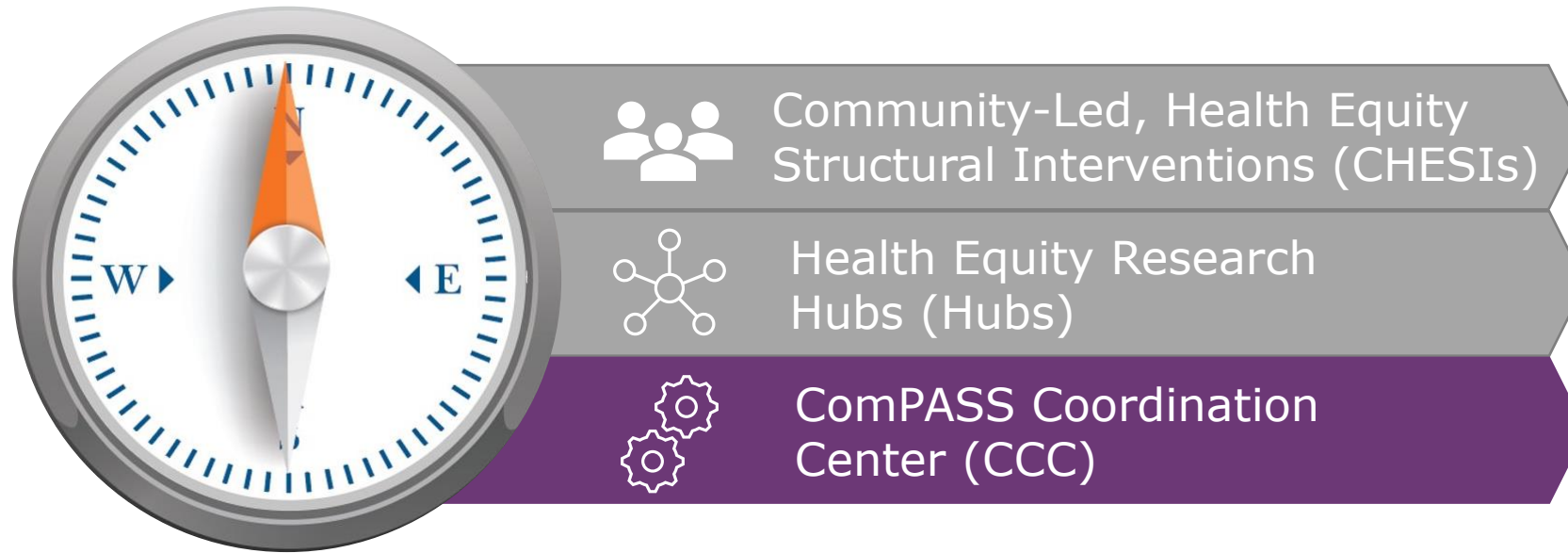
**Application deadline:  
October 31, 2023**

**Goal:** Establish five research Hubs to:

- Provide scientific support
- Interface with the CC/National HERA to support local hands-on research training and capacity
- Provide ongoing research technical assistance
- Support quality assurance and risk management



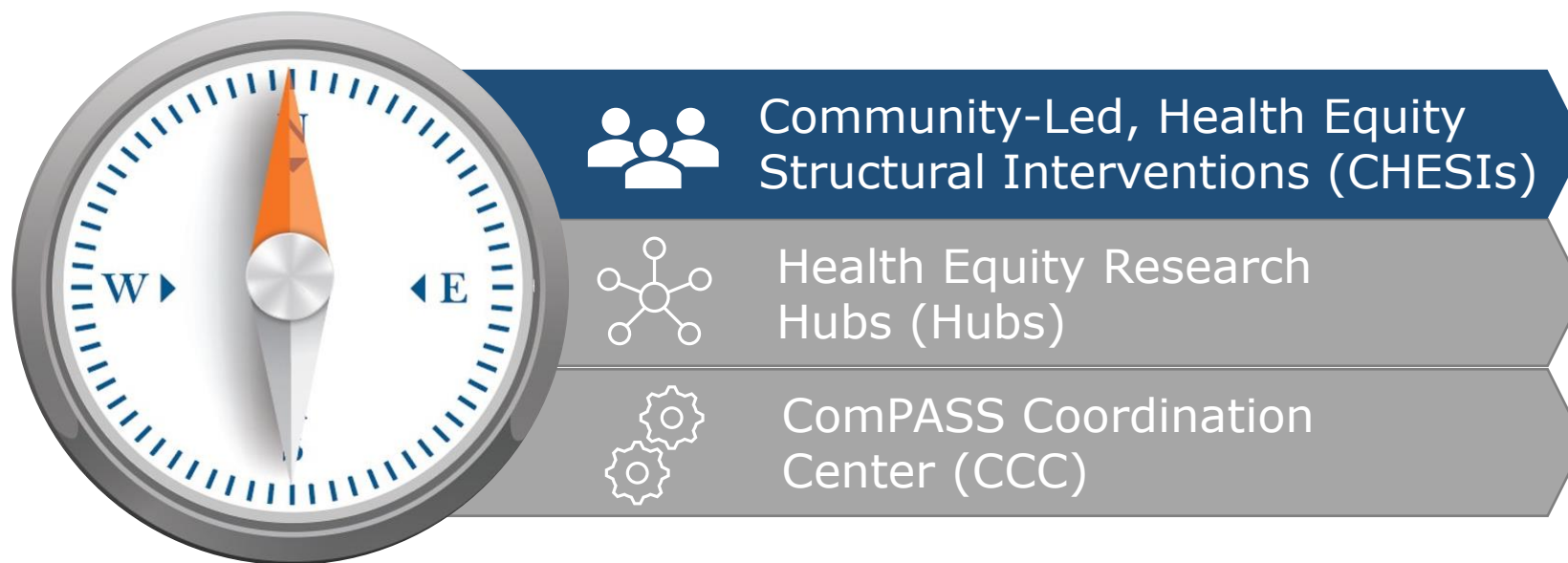
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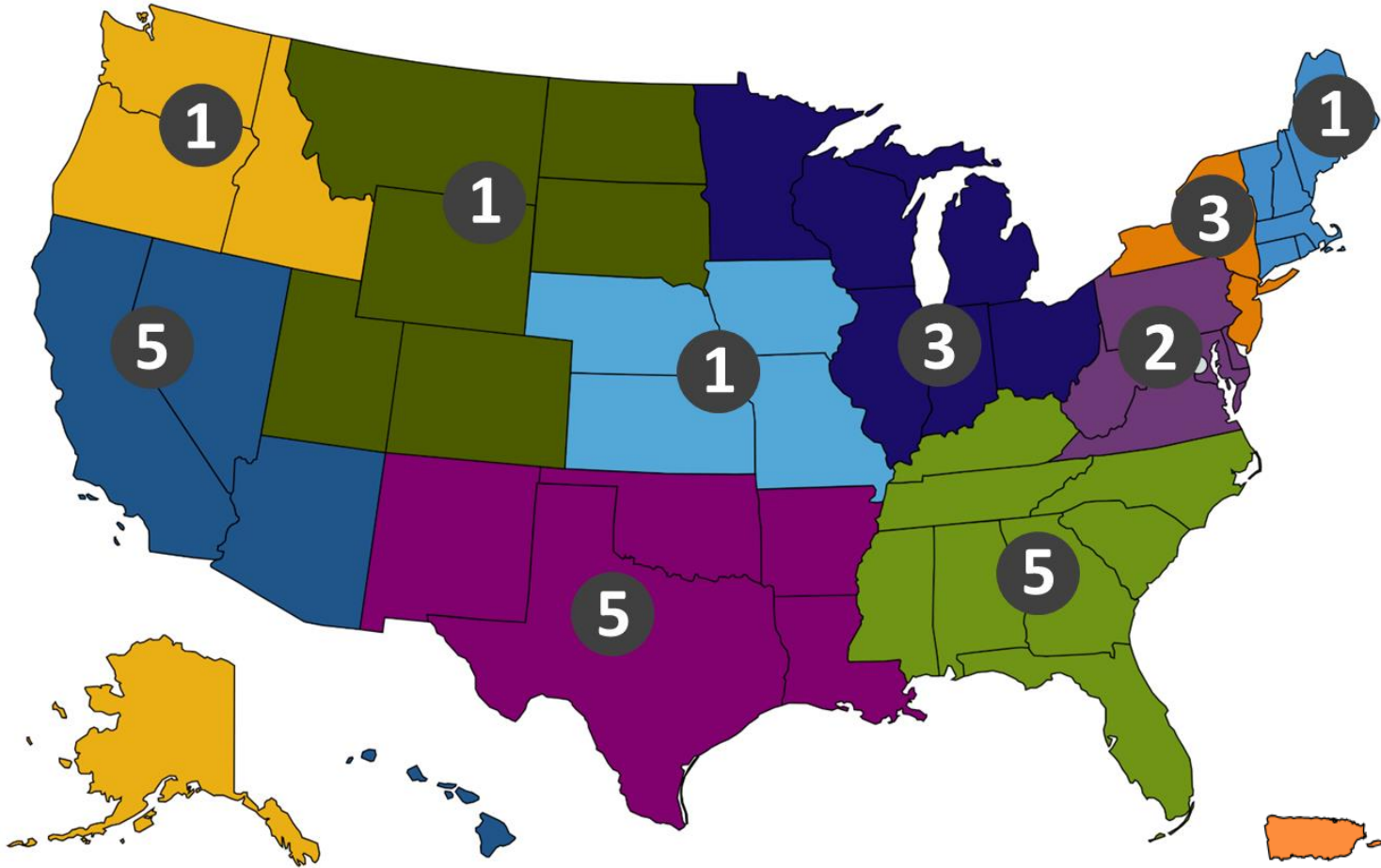
**Goal:** CCC will serve as the leading entity for overall program management and coordination. The HERA will assemble of interdisciplinary subject matter experts.

- Initiate ComPASS research activities
- Collect common data element
- Create infrastructure for data sharing and management
- Support long-term management of across research projects and hubs

# Community-Led, Health Equity Structural Interventions (CHESIs)



# CHESI Award Recipients by HHS Region in the United States



HHS Region	Number of CHESI Awards	States/Territories Represented
1	1	ME
2	3	NJ, NY, PR
3	2	PA, MD (and DC)
4	5	NC, MS (2), FL (2)
5	3	MI (3)
6	5	AR, TX (3), NM
7	1	MO
8	1	MT
9	5	CA (2), HI, AZ (2)
10	1	AK

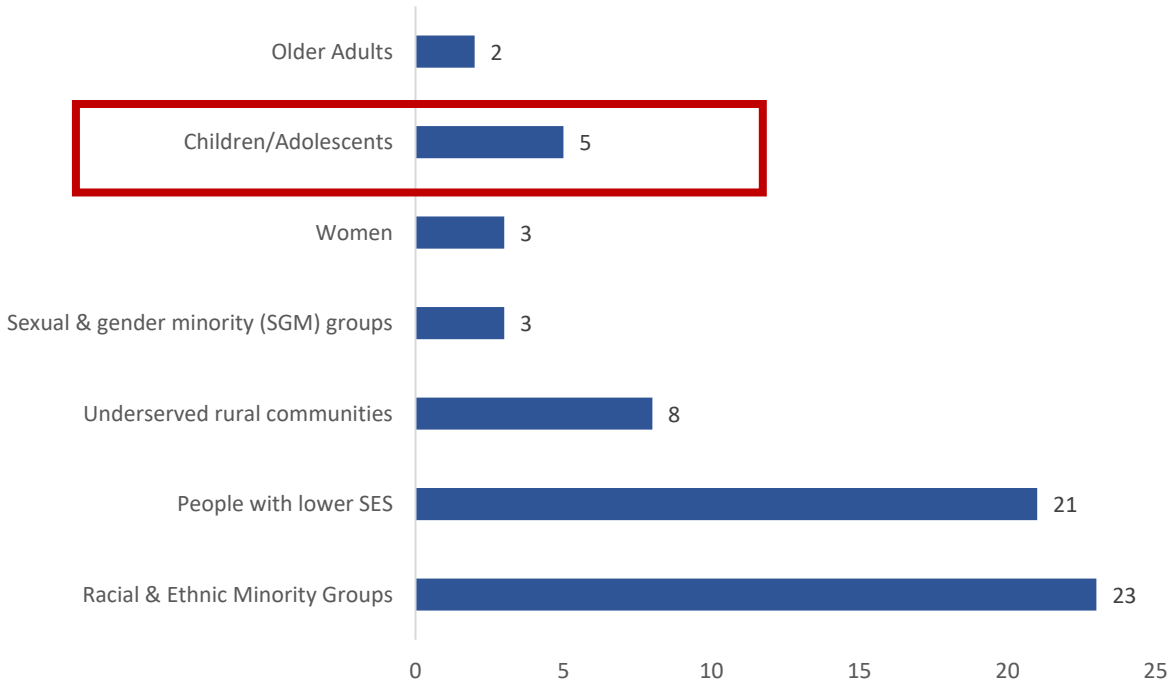
\*Note that some awards are in multiple states

# SDOH/Structural Factors of the 25 CHESI Awards

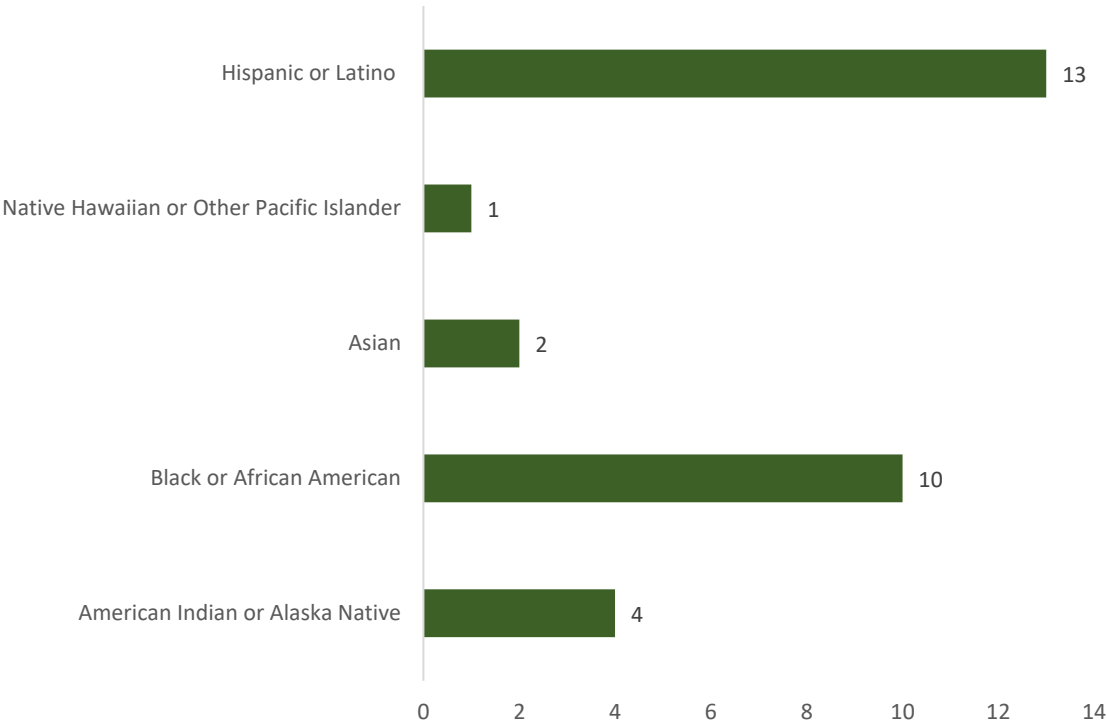


# ComPASS CHESI Summary Characteristics

## CHESI Populations that Experience Health Disparities and Other Priority Populations



## Minority Health Populations





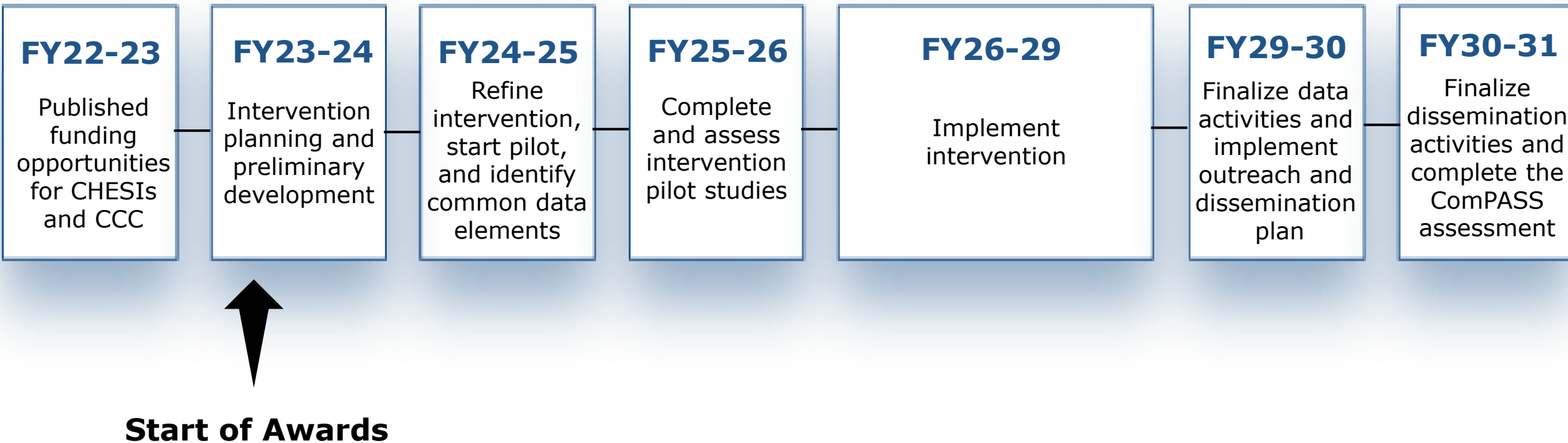
# ComPASS Will Help Improve Health

- **Increase our understanding** of the mechanisms that produce and perpetuate health inequities and disparities
- Build a **repository** of evidence-based health equity interventions
- Provide **capacity-building** and training curricula & resources
- Create innovative models to **hasten translation of discoveries** into policy and practice



\*Improve multiple health outcomes across the lifecourse – from **children and adolescents** to older adults\*

# Timeline



# Thank you

To receive ComPASS program announcements and additional information, join the ComPASS listserv.

Website: <https://commonfund.nih.gov/compass>

# Workgroup Updates

Melissa Van Orman  
NCCOR Coordinating Center

# Workgroup Updates

- **Catalogue of Surveillance Systems**
  - Successfully incorporated sleep variables into 36 datasets in the database.
- **Economic Impact of Built Environment Improvements**
  - Finalizing new data sources for the Economic Indicators Library and planning a meeting with PAPREN for their review.
- **Identification and Categorization of Evidence Gaps in Physical Activity Research**
  - Worked with team members at GSCN to condense a list of 443 research gaps into 96 comprehensive statements. Currently working to determine methods for further categorization.
- **Implementation Science**
  - Identified a consultant to develop a roadmap for implementation science applied to childhood obesity. Kick-off call scheduled for November.



# Workgroup Updates

- **State of the Science on Measures of Individual Diet, Food Environment, Individual Physical Activity, and Physical Activity Environment**
  - Working with consultants to review the first draft of tables and talking points.
- **Lessons Learned from International, National, and Local Public Health Policy Efforts for Healthy Childhood Growth**
  - Planning committee will meet next week to begin planning for a spring 2024 virtual workshop.

# Communication Updates

Melissa Van Orman  
NCCOR Coordinating Center

## NCCOR at APHA!



# APHA 2023

ANNUAL MEETING & EXPO  
ATLANTA | NOV. 12 – 15

**CREATING THE HEALTHIEST NATION**  
OVERCOMING SOCIAL & ETHICAL CHALLENGES

**Visit us at booth #520!**

# Announcements

**Please complete the NCCOR Member Survey,  
sent by Amy Yaroch at GSCN!**



# Calendar Reminders

## 2023 Member Calls

- November 8
- December 13

## 2024 Member Calls

- January 17
- March 20
- April 17
- June 19
- July 17
- August 21
- October 16
- November 20
- December 18

## 2024 Member Meetings

- February 28 (virtual)
- May 16, Senior Leadership Briefing (DC)
- September (DC)



# Questions?

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