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Incorporating Health Equity in HTA Systems and Research: A Global Perspective and Future Outlook

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Agenda

1. Introduction to the Health Equity SIG
2. Introduction to Speakers
3. Overview of Health Equity
4. Panellist Presentations
5. Audience Q&A and Discussion
6. Closing and Announcements (HER SIG Team)

HEALTH EQUITY SIG¹

Mission

To advance equity-informative methods and data for health economics and outcomes research that help to reduce unfair differences in health

Goals and Objectives

- Advance Health Equity Assessment Methods
- Create a Collaborative Forum
- Foster Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue
- Improve HEOR Data Sources to study health inequalities

1. [ISPOR - Health Equity Research](#)

2. [ispor_top10-heor-trends_2024-2025_00120240115.pdf](#)



HEALTH EQUITY²
Addressing Healthcare Disparities

Key Project: The Road to Fair and Equitable Healthcare: Reviewing the State of Play of Integrating Health Equity in HTA

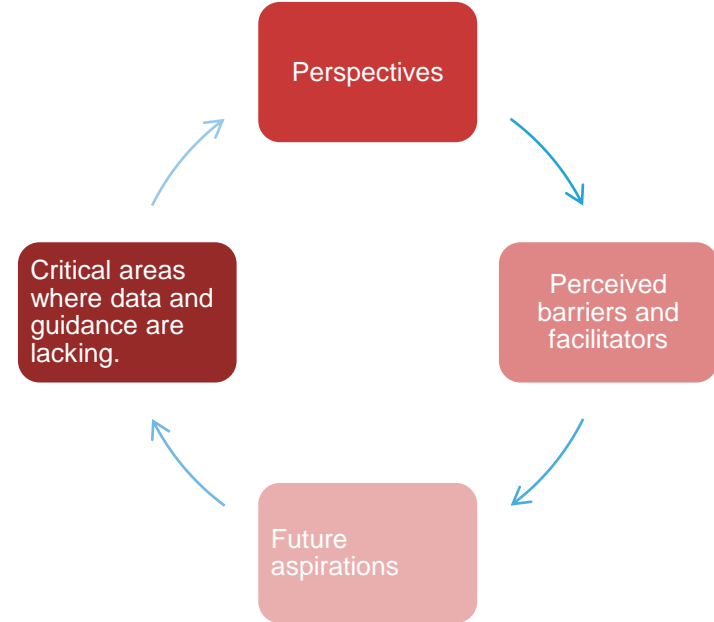
Co Leads: Antonio Ahumada-Canale (Australia) - Ramiro Gilardino (Switzerland)

Aims

- Explore the perspectives of HTA-related stakeholders on equity considerations in HTA, as well as barriers and facilitators for implementation.

Methodology

- Scoping review and qualitative survey to gain insights into perspectives on including health equity considerations in HTA.



We are looking for interested members across the regions to join the working group.

Presenters

- Discussion Lead
 - **Riku Ota, MPH**
Global Payer Evidence Lead, Novo Nordisk A/S, Søborg, Denmark
- Speakers
 - **Ataru Igarashi, Ph.D**
Associate Professor, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 - **Jonathan Pearson-Stuttard, Ph.D**
Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer, Imperial College London, London, UK
 - **Melanie Whittington, Ph.D**
Senior Fellow, CEVR, Boston, MA, USA

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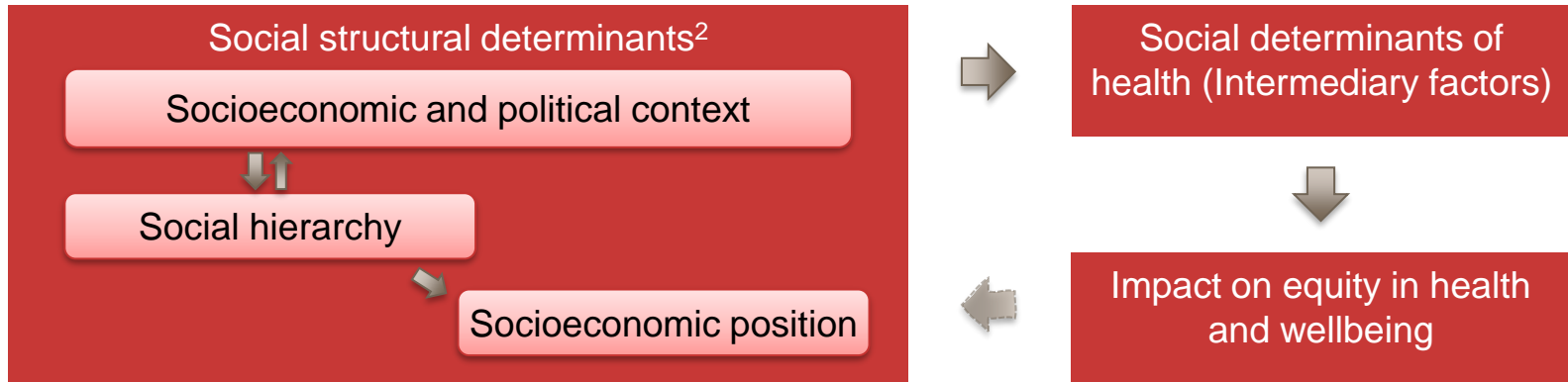
Overview of Health Equity



Overview of Health Equity

Definition

Absence of unfair, avoidable or remediable differences in health, healthcare and financial protection from the cost of healthcare, among groups of people¹



1. [Health equity \(who.int\)](http://www.who.int)

2. Adapted and simplified from Solar O, Irwin A. Social determinants, political contexts and civil society action: a historical perspective on the Commission on Social Determinants of Health. Health Promotion Journal of Australia, 2006, 17(3):180-5

How does Health Equity Affect the Development of New Medicine?



Unmet Needs

Not sufficiently aligned between innovation endeavours and the actual health burden, indicating misalignment of resource allocation and healthcare innovations with the prevalent disease burden



Limited Access

Patients unable to reach or afford necessities such as healthy diet, appropriate healthcare, or vital medication

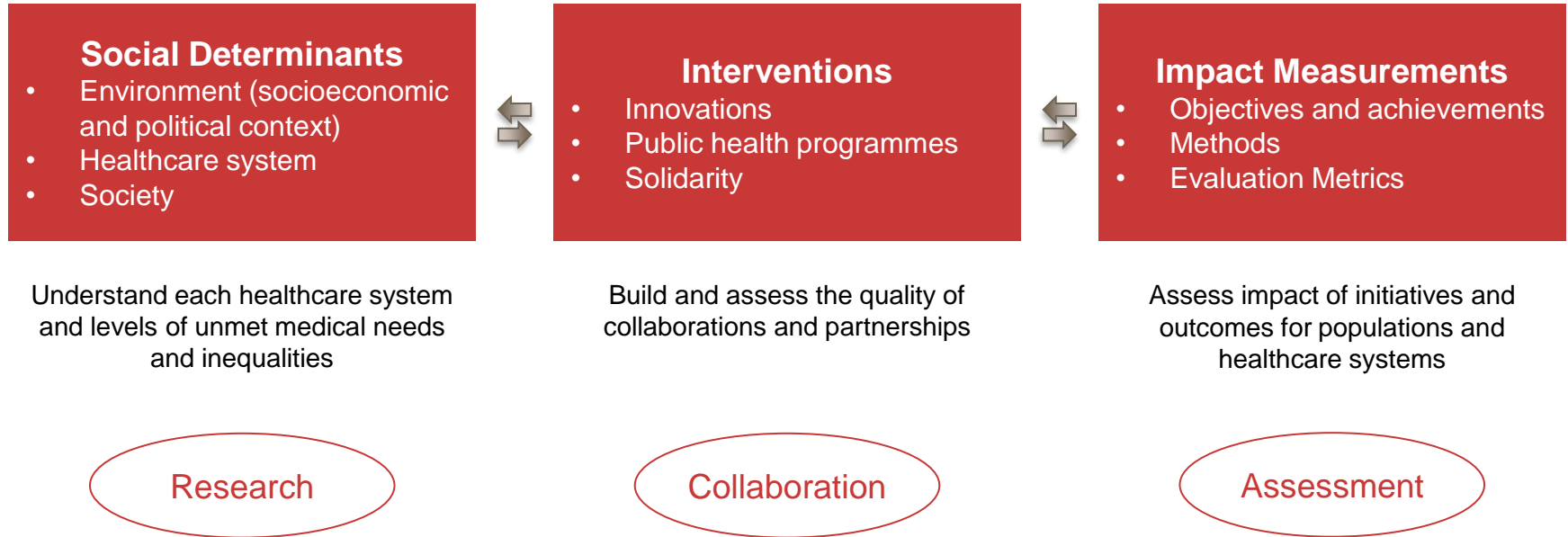


Underserved Communities

Inadequacy of engagement by pivotal stakeholders within the health ecosystem, including financiers and service providers, to address the specific needs of community subgroups

1. Adapted from <https://www.mckinsey.com/industries/life-sciences/our-insights/health-equity-a-framework-for-the-epidemiology-of-care>

In what arenas do multi-stakeholders collaborate? – including public, academia, and private



1. Adapted from <https://www.bcg.com/publications/2023/advancing-health-equity-in-biopharma>

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Audience Q&A and Discussion



Questions for discussions

What kind of evidence would be most valuable in shaping equitable access decisions from payers'/academia's/policy-makers' perspectives?

Questions for discussions

Do you anticipate that equity considerations will become standard practice across all HTA assessments?

Or do you foresee them being identified as relevant primarily for specific products or disease areas, and what factors do you believe will drive this evolution in the HTA landscape?

Last Poll Question (select that all apply)

How do you see the future outlook of Health Equity in HTA in your region/country/organisation?

- Increased attention and collaboration across multiple stakeholders
- Increased attention but a lack of tools and collaboration among stakeholders
- No attention
- Other

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Announcements



Online Resource: HER SIG Community


To access, visit community.ispor.org

- A central location to know what's the latest **news, discussions, and announcements!**
- **Connect** with other HER SIG **members!**
- Library with **resources and literature!**

Stay in the loop and connect!

Community Home Discussion 29 Library 65 Members 421

Welcome to the Health Equity Research Special Interest Group Community



Folders

- Health Equity Research
 - Background on Health Equity
 - News Articles Key Publications
 - Webinars
 - Draft documents for SIG review
 - SIG Work Products
 - ISPOR Conference Sessions
 - Announcements

Upcoming Webinar: Eliciting population inequality aversion across country settings

Fall 2024 ISPOR-Wide Free Webinar (invites forthcoming!)

Speakers

- Representatives from US, Japan, and Australia



Goals of the ISPOR-Wide Webinar:

- **Introduction to inequality aversion** in forms of equity analysis, including distributional cost-effectiveness analysis and equity weighting
- Recommendations for **local methods adaptation** to elicit inequality aversion in the general population based on lessons learned across three country settings
- **Levels of inequality aversion** identified across Japan, Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States
- Discussion on implications of findings, and recommendations for **use of inequality aversion data in HEOR research and policymaking**

Upcoming Equity Themed Issue: Value in Health Regional Issues

Submissions due December 1, 2024

Value in Health Regional recently expanded its scope to receive manuscripts from all countries, with an emphasis on research that can provide important knowledge for the international community.

<https://www.ispor.org/publications/journals/value-in-health-regional-issues/for-authors/call-for-papers>

Call for Papers:

Health Equity Research Across the Globe

Value in Health Regional Issues invites submissions for a thematic issue dedicated to Health Equity Research. We invite the global HEOR community to contribute to this issue with research articles, health policy perspectives, and systematic or scoping reviews.

The editors are particularly interested in impact evaluation of health interventions on the distribution of health outcomes in specific populations or health system performance indicators (eg, access, utilization, health system financing, etc) across subgroups of the population. These subsets may be defined by different equity concerns such as socioeconomic status, ethnicity, gender, or belonging to a vulnerable group.

Authors should submit manuscripts through the journal's online submission system at <https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/vihregionalissues> before **December 1, 2024**. Also, be sure to indicate in your cover letter that the paper is to be considered as part of the Health Equity Research theme.

CALL FOR PAPERS

SUBMIT NOW

Other ways to get involved

- Please email HealthEquitySIG@ispor.org with a copy of your CV and a short paragraph of interest if you would like to be considered for one of the following open leadership positions:
- **SIG chair-elect** (2025-2026)
- **Member engagement** positions
 - Community engagers (online SIG community)
 - Special interest group liaison
 - Key project contributor

Contact and Join the HER SIG

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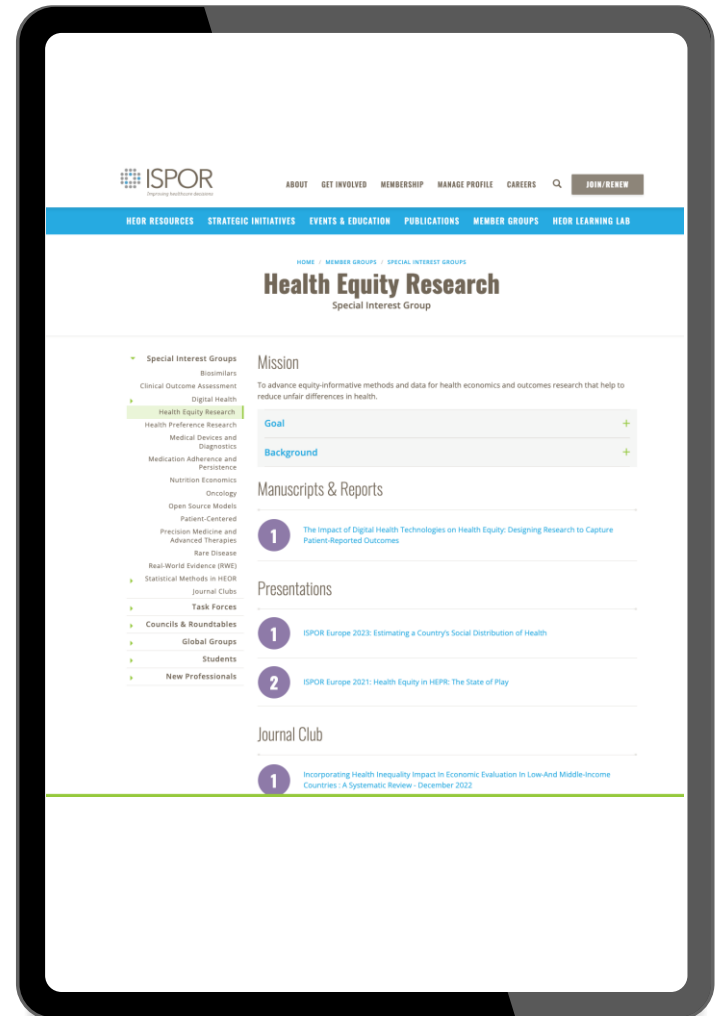
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SIG Website:

<https://www.ispor.org/member-groups/special-interest-groups/health-equity-research>

- Scan the code and select: Select a Special Interest Group to Join
- Login with your email and ISPOR password
- It will bring you to a page where you can select Health Equity Research SIG

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