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ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH & PREGNANCY

Guttmacher Institute (<http://www.guttmacher.org/>)

Guttmacher Institute is a source for policy briefs, fact sheets, policy review, and reports on issues such as sexual and reproductive health, abortion, HIV/AIDS, and other adolescent sexual health issues. The website also contains reports on sexual and reproductive health focused on the Latino population.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Division of Adolescent and School Health (<http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/>)

DASH promotes the health and well-being of children and adolescents to enable them to become healthy and productive adults. Their website provides data, reports and fact sheets on issues such as adolescent health, asthma, childhood obesity, injury and violence, nutrition, and sexual risk behaviors. Additionally, DASH provides information on specific ethnicities and links to other resources related to these issues.

Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS)

(<http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/yrbs/>)

YRBSS is a survey which monitors priority health-risk behaviors and the prevalence of obesity and asthma amongst youth and young adults. Included in YRBSS is a national school-based survey which is conducted by the CDC. Their website provides access to detailed and in-depth national data on health status, education, violence, obesity, and sexual practices amongst Latino population.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Pew Hispanic Center (<http://pewhispanic.org/>)

Pew Hispanic Center, part of the Pew Research Center, is a research organization which aims to provide factual data about the Hispanic population in the United States. The studies focus on various issues such as demographics, economics, education, identity, immigration, labor, politics, and remittance that are closely associated with the Hispanic population of the United States.

United States Census Bureau (<http://www.census.gov/>)

The Census Bureau serves as the leading source of quality data about the nation's people and economy. It provides reliable information regarding

population growth, household compositions, community characteristics, and needs of various groups and specific areas. The Census Bureau also provides data for allocation of services and resources, federal and state funding, and community planning decisions amongst other issues. The census bureau website allows for compilation of facts by specific geographic boundaries and characteristics.

HEALTH – GENERAL

American Journal of Public Health (AJPH)

(<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/>)

A print and online journal dedicated to the publication of original work in research, research methods, and program evaluation in the field of public health. AJPH regularly publishes editorials and commentaries and serves as a forum for health policy analysis. The mission of AJPH is to advance public health research, policy, practice, and education.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Cancer Prevention and Control: Health Disparities

(<http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/healthdisparities/>)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is a global resource for health information and statistics. CDC's Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC) collaborates with national, state, and local organizations to identify problems and develop solutions for preventing and reducing occurrences of cancer.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – Division of Oral Health

(<http://www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/index.htm>)

The Centers of Disease Control and Prevention's Division of Oral Health (DOH) has joined the initiative of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to expand oral health services, education, and research in the United States. DOH provides information on latest research regarding oral health. Their website provides a wealth of information on oral health initiatives and their results. Additionally, ample information regarding oral health status of children and adults can be found on this website.

Texas Cancer Registry (<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/tcr/default.shtm>)

The Texas Cancer Registry (TCR) seeks to provide accurate and current data to supplement the public health, academic, and private sector's

cancer research. Its goal is to contribute to overall health as well as to improve outcomes for cancer patients.

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

(<http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/>)

HHSC is the authority in Texas on health and human services programs. Its goal is to provide guidance and resources to citizens as well as groups on crucial issues affecting the people of Texas. Information on programs, eligibility criteria, and utilization can be found on the website.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (<http://www.rwjf.org/>)

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation works to improve the health and health care of all Americans by producing research and data about the complex issues facing the United States. The foundation also publishes several program evaluations and reports. One of the foundation's programs, [Salud America!](#), is a part of the RWJF Research Network to Prevent Obesity Among Latino Children.

HEALTH – LATINO

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) – Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities (<http://www.cdc.gov/omhd/>)

The Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities (OMHD), a division of the CDC, provides reports regarding the health status of vulnerable populations in the United States, including Latinos. OMHD's goal is to eliminate the health disparities within the minority population groups that are identified as at-risk.

Duke University Medical Library

(<http://www.mcilibrary.duke.edu/subject/latino>)

The Duke University Medical Library provides background information on the Hispanic/Latino population in the United States. It is especially useful for clinicians who treat Spanish-speaking patients and provides links to websites, articles, and books on the subject of Latino Health.

Hispanic Community Health Study (<http://www.cscce.unc.edu/hchs/>)

A study sponsored by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and six other institutes, The Hispanic Community Health Study is an epidemiologic study which investigates the prevalence and development of diseases in the

Hispanic/Latino population. It also focuses on identifying risk-factors and protective factors that affect the Hispanic/Latino communities.

MedlinePlus

(<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/hispanicamericanhealth.html>)

A service of the National Institute of Health and produced by the National Library of Medicine, MedlinePlus provides information for specific ethnic groups, including Hispanic Americans. The data is accessible and up-to-date and addresses health conditions, diseases, and other health-related issues.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Minority Health (<http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/>)

The Office of Minority Health, established in 1986, provides vital and detailed information to the Secretary and the Office of Public Health and Science. OMH collects and disseminates information on public health programs affecting minorities in the United States. OMH provides data and statistics on demographics, disease, and other health-related topics by race/ethnicity. OMH's website also offers information on funding, cultural competency, and other topics related specifically to minority populations.

OBESITY

Surgeon General's Call to Action to Prevent and Decrease Overweight and Obesity

(<http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/topics/obesity/calltoaction/>)

In this Surgeon General's report, obesity is reported as an epidemic in the United States. The report indicates the epidemic has impacted certain ethnic groups more than others. It takes a comprehensive look at the causes, conditions, results, and solutions to the problem of obesity in the United States.

Latino Coalition for a Healthy California (<http://www.lchc.org/>)

Latino Coalition for a Healthy California has been a leading voice in promoting Latino health through advocacy efforts, community involvement, and policy development. Their report on obesity provides extensive details regarding current trends, factors and barriers, future outlook, and preventive strategies related to the issue of obesity in Latino populations.

MENTAL HEALTH

Center for Multicultural Mental Health Research

(<http://www.multiculturalmentalhealth.org/>)

The Center for Multicultural Mental Health Research (CMMHR) has produced extensive data on issues such as social status, depression treatment, and substance abuse. CMMHR also conducts and makes available data from the National Latino and Asian American Study (NLAAS), a comprehensive study which overviews the differences and similarities in mental illnesses and services used in Latinos and Asian Americans.

Surgeon General's Report – Mental Health: Culture, Race, Ethnicity

(<http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/library/mentalhealth/home.html>)

The Office of the Surgeon General's report on mental health includes valuable information emphasizing the importance of understanding mental illness and treatment with regards to different cultures, races, and ethnicities. The report illustrates the prevalence of mental conditions, need for services, and access to services, among other issues.

PUBLIC POLICY

Center for Latino Policy Research (<http://clpr.berkeley.edu/>)

The Center for Latino Policy Research at UC Berkley sponsors research projects that have the potential to have a direct policy impact on Latino populations in the U.S. The center's research focuses primarily on education, migration, and political/civic participation. The Center for Latino Policy Research has played an important role in studying demographic changes and existing inequalities in California, and provides access to case-studies, seminar information, and publications related to immigration, labor, education, and civic engagement issues of the Latino population.

CHILDREN AT RISK (<http://www.childrenatrisk.org>)

CHILDREN AT RISK is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that works to improve the quality of life for children through strategic research, public policy analysis, education, collaboration, and advocacy. Its research and advocacy programs are focused on the well-being of the whole child. CHILDREN AT RISK's website provides research and public policy analysis on issues including education, health, and human trafficking.

Additionally, the website offers a section dedicated to the health and well-being of Latino children.

Julian Samora Research Institute (<http://jsri.msu.edu/>)

The Julian Samora Research Institute housed at Michigan State University generates research programs that study the economic, social, educational, and political facets of Latino communities. The Institute also makes its research findings available to various entities such as government organizations, academic institutions, community leaders, and private sector executives.

The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation (<http://www.kff.org/>)

The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation is a comprehensive resource for health information. A leader in health policy and communications, the Kaiser Family Foundation is a non-profit, private operating foundation focusing on the major health care issues facing the U.S. The foundation provides access to valuable information regarding a wide array of health issues. In addition, it provides reliable data regarding health status, health policy issues, and demographic health information with studies and research information.

Latino Issue Forum (<http://www.lif.org/>)

Latino Issue Forum (LIF) focuses on improving the quality of life for Latinos through policy and advocacy. Their focus is primarily on policy analysis related to issues such as early childhood education, housing issues, equity and accessibility, and immigration reform. Their website provides information on social, economic, and political issues related specifically to immigrants.

Latino Intersections Resource Center at Dartmouth College (http://journals.dartmouth.edu/latinox/resource_center/)

The Resource Center provides comprehensive listings of resources on Latino issues and organizations, including: a Latino Directory, Teaching Tools, Latino Media and Books, Politics and Latino Policy, and Professional Development. The Latino Directory provides a wide-ranging directory of Latino research centers, institutes, and associations across the United States.