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## CALOPTIMA HEALTH RELEASES INAUGURAL HEALTH EQUITY REPORT

Report outlines a strategic framework to advance health equity and reduce disparities in Orange County.

**ORANGE, Calif. (February 11, 2025)** — CalOptima Health released its first Health Equity Report, highlighting the comprehensive framework to address health disparities in Orange County and summarizing equity-focused activity in 2024. CalOptima Health is committed to advancing health equity as highlighted in its 2025–2027 Strategic Plan.



Click on the image to link to the report.

"We are committed to providing high-quality health solutions and serving our members with the excellence, dignity and care they deserve," said Michaell Silva Rose, DrPH, LCSW, Chief Health Equity Officer at CalOptima Health.

The report presents a bold vision centered on operational and strategic priorities to keep the organization focused on impact. Key areas include reducing health disparities by mitigating racial, ethnic, gender and socioeconomic inequities; leading equity-driven quality improvement initiatives; delivering culturally responsive and linguistically accessible care; engaging stakeholders in collaborative partnerships; and leveraging data to co-design strategies with the community that improve outcomes.

CalOptima Health has already begun implementing these strategies across Orange County, and the report summarizes more than 35 initiatives in progress or completed in 2024. Among the member-focused activities are expanding behavioral health telehealth services, offering doula benefits, hosting a maternal health and breastfeeding event to support expectant and postpartum members, and piloting maternal health and infant wellness events to improve access to care.

Also, the inaugural report captures CalOptima Health's plans to pursue National Committee for Quality Assurance Health Equity Accreditation in 2025 as an outward reflection of our commitment to advancing health equity, improving the health care system for all members and implementing new state requirements for Medi-Cal managed care plans.

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## About CalOptima Health

A county organized health system, CalOptima Health provides quality health care coverage for low-income children, adults, seniors and people with disabilities in Orange County, California. CalOptima Health's mission is to serve member health with excellence and dignity, respecting the value and needs of each person. CalOptima Health serves nearly 918,000 members with a network of more than 8,300 primary care doctors and specialists and 43 acute and rehab hospitals.