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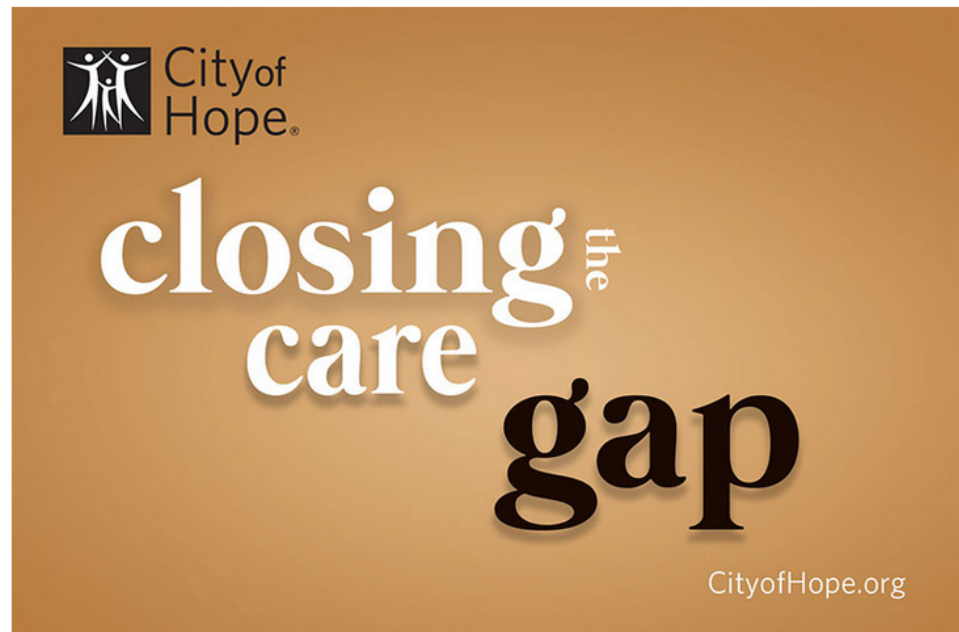
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Closing the Care Gap



City of Hope was founded over a century ago on the principle that health is a human right. That spirit of inclusion carries on to this day through the work of City of Hope's Division of Health Equities. National statistics consistently reveal the disparities in morbidity and mortality rates between Black and white people, including Black people experiencing higher rates of:

- Cerebrovascular disease, including stroke – 40% higher
- Heart Disease - 22% higher
- Cancer – 13% higher

Biomedical research has shown that biology does not fully explain this disparity, and little has been done to acknowledge the historical injustices of racism and discrimination as a factor that perpetuates health inequity in minority communities. Now highlighted by the current pandemic, it is clear – Black health needs to be a priority.

City of Hope's Music, Film and Entertainment Industry group and its Future Hope committee have teamed with Division of Health Equities Director Rick Kittles, to present a virtual program with the objective of identifying areas where each of us can contribute toward the goal of achieving health equity.

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