

Native-CHART Webinar Series:

The Effects of Racism on Hypertension in Native Hawaiians

With Dr. Keawe Kaholokula

October 1st, 12-1pm PDT

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This presentation will provide a brief sociohistorical overview of Native Hawaiians and detail their social and cultural determinants of health. Dr. Kaholokula will review several empirical studies that elucidate the adverse effects of racism on hypertension risk and other related conditions, including psychophysiological processes. He will discuss the pathways by which racism leads to the development of chronic diseases among Native Hawaiians and present preliminary findings on an intervention that is culturally grounded in hula, the traditional dance of Hawai'i, to improve hypertension management. Dr. Kaholokula's presentation will illustrate the importance of culturally grounded interventions for improving clinical and sociocultural outcomes among Indigenous peoples.



Dr. Keawe Kaholokula, is Professor and Chair of Native Hawaiian Health in the John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. He is also a licensed clinical psychologist. As a Native Hawaiian, Dr. Kaholokula is passionate about improving the social and cultural determinants of health among Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders, and he has made a lifelong commitment to this goal.



Native-CHART aims to improve control of blood pressure and other risk factors for cardiovascular disease in American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders with diagnosed hypertension