



DRAFT AGENDA
Washington State Autonomous Vehicle Working Group Subcommittee on Health & Equity
Tuesday, April 21st, 2020
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
FIRST Conference Call - Every Third Tuesday of Each Month

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/249855413> OR by phone: 1 877 309 2073, Access Code: 249-855-413

Purpose: The important mission of this subcommittee is to assist the Washington State Transportation Commission in implementation of SHB 2970 by *“Ensuring health and equity benefits of automated mobility are equitably distributed and that any negative impacts are not disproportionately borne by traditionally marginalized communities.”*

Schedule	Agenda Items	Discussion Lead	Handouts
12:00 p.m.	Welcome, Introductions, and Quick Overview of Work to Date	Dr. Andrew Dannenberg, UW School of Public Health	
12:10 p.m.	Recap April WSDOT Meeting – Policy Goals for Infrastructure	Rad Cunningham, Washington State DOH Anna Zivarts, Disability Rights WA	Next Steps
12:30 p.m.	ACTION ITEM: FINAL Workplan – Identify Subcommittee Leads	Dr. Andrew Dannenberg, UW School of Public Health	See FINAL Workplan on Page #2
12:40 p.m.	Proposal for definitions of “Health” and “Equity” – finish discussion	Dr. Andrew Dannenberg, UW School of Public Health	See Definitions on Page #3
12:50 p.m.	Questions, discussion, next steps	All	

APPROVED WORKPLAN – AV HEALTH AND EQUITY SUBCOMMITTEE

- ***Develop a comprehensive list of terms and overarching operating goal related to AV Health and Equity.***
- Establish baseline of existing transportation system inequities – review existing literature (not a new study)
- Identify a checklist or tool to evaluate equity in proposed policies – review existing checklist/tools (not a new tool)
- Review equity policy recommendations from California, Oregon, and other states to identify ones that may be useful in Washington
- Review equity aspects of policy recommendations from other WSTC AV subcommittees, when they become available (perhaps in 2021)
- Seek guidance ***and resources*** for improving community engagement of historically marginalized populations for Health and Equity Subcommittee
- Select health and equity policy recommendations and test with equity checklist/tool
- Develop communications strategy to promote Subcommittee’s policy recommendations to other Subcommittees and to AV Work Group
- ***Continue to pursue resources to support Subcommittee participation and ensure Subcommittee diversity.***

This workplan is developed based on the input of the subcommittee with the guidance provided by WSTC within our adopted Charter to consider, explore, develop and identify challenges, needs, gaps and expectations related to AV policy, funding and jurisdiction; assess what other states are doing and seek model policies; inform the public of subcommittee discussions and recommendations in a transparent and accessible manner, report information gathered and findings, along with recommendations, to the Executive Committee, and review recommendations of other AV Subcommittees. Further, the Subcommittee will review existing definitions of Health & Equity collectively: Compile, synthesize existing goals, policy frameworks, etc. as a resource, such as [Mobility Equity Framework](#) and [Environmental Health Disparities Council](#)

DEFINITIONS OF “HEALTH” AND “EQUITY” FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

The World Health Organization definitions for health and for equity as:

“Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.”
<https://www.who.int/about/who-we-are/frequently-asked-questions>

“Equity is the absence of avoidable or remediable differences among groups of people, whether those groups are defined socially, economically, demographically, or geographically. Health inequities therefore involve more than inequality with respect to health determinants, access to the resources needed to improve and maintain health or health outcomes. They also entail a failure to avoid or overcome inequalities that infringe on fairness and human rights norms.” <https://www.who.int/healthsystems/topics/equity/en/>

The Washington State Department of Health defines health equity as:

Health equity exists when...

Everyone has equal opportunity to make choices allowing us to live long and healthy lives, regardless of income, education, or racial/ethnic background.

THE GOVERNOR’S COMMITTEE ON HEALTH DISPARITIES – EQUITY PRINCIPLE FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

OUR OPERATING PRINCIPLES

Adopted Dec. 6, 2018

“Equity is achievable and requires unwavering commitment to prioritizing resources and supports toward communities of color and other marginalized communities. Achieving equity requires us to identify, name, and dismantle institutional racism and oppression.”

