### **Proposed Health Equity Response to COVID-19**

**OCPIM COVID-19 Virtual Open Forum** 

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Using Disease Convergence to Facilitate Multi-Sectorial Approaches to Advance Health Equity.

- Visualize where different health disparities simultaneously exist at their worst levels in the same census geographies (*Convergence Analysis*).
- Connect disparate health outcomes (Convergence) to overall opportunity (*Opportunity Index*).
- Understand convergence and overall opportunity with health opportunity (*Health Opportunity Index*).
- Relate this information to COVID-19 response and recovery activities.

### **Place Matters**

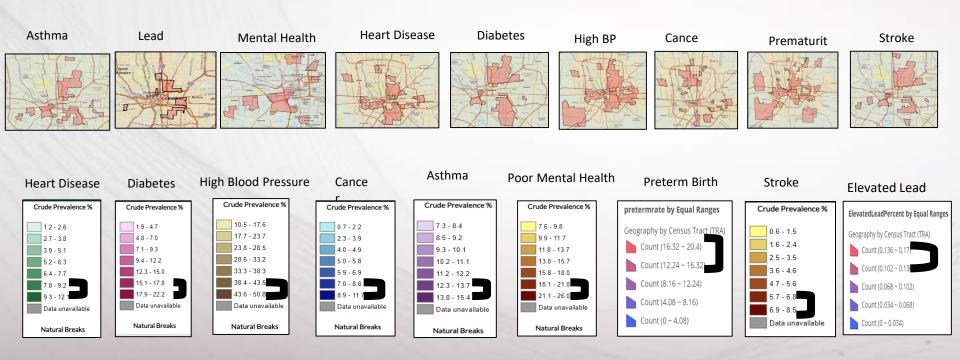
**Convergence Analysis** helps visualize where different health disparities simultaneously exist at their worst levels.



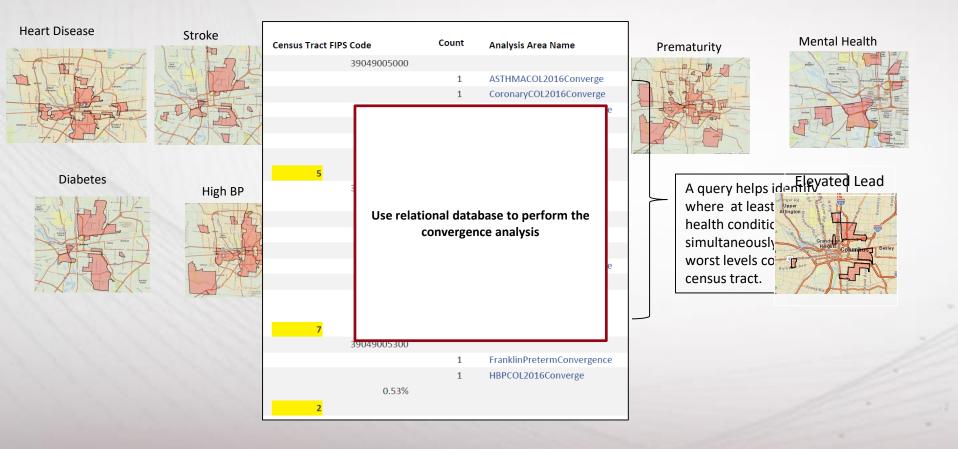
### **Convergence** Analysis

This technique functions to harmonize data by identifying where can we find at least four (4) or more of these health outcomes at their highest levels.

Columbus, Ohio. Selected Health Conditions/Outcomes by Census Tract at the Highest (Worst) Levels.

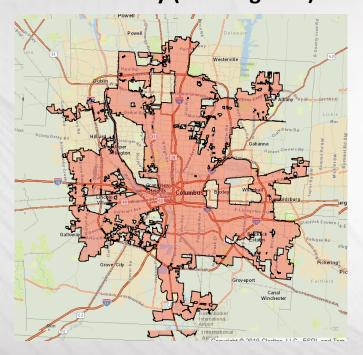


Performing the Convergence Analysis. Using relational database technology to determine which health outcomes simultaneously occur in the same census tract.



Using GIS technology and market research demographic data to identify census tracts with more than four (4) health conditions simultaneously at the worst levels (convergence) in Columbus, Ohio.

### Columbus City Columbus City (Convergence)



- 37 Census Tracts
- 114,835 Population
- 54% Black (29% in Columbus)
- 36% White (60% in Columbus)
- 2% Asian
- 0.45% Native Amer/AN
- 0.17 Native Hawaiian/PI
- 3% Some Other Race
- 5% Two or More Races

### • 6% Hispanic/Latino

- 0.02% Armed Forces
- 48% Employed
- 7.5% Unemployed (4.70 % in Columbus)-BEFORE COVID-19

### Early Health Equity Analysis for COVID-19

High burden across different health outcomes.

10,195 0 0.00 4,131 40.52% 946 9.28% 5,118 50.20% 3,964 2,830 71.39% 388 9.79% 333 8.40% 116 2.93% 148 3.73% 132 3.33% 17 0.43%

- Consistent racial disparity
- Unemployment

### Akron

#### Census Tracts in Akron, Ohio which contribute to the Tier 1 Convergence Model for Ohio.

Akron, Ohio. CDC 2017 BRFSS 500 City Project Data for Selected Health Outcomes. Asthma crude percent 12.0% to 13.0%, Kidney Disease 4.5% to 6.1%, COPD 11.7% TO 15.5%, Coronary Heart Disease 9.1 % to 12.7%, Diabetes 17.6% to 25.3% and High Blood Pressure 43.1% to 53.6%) by Census Tract. The census tracts reflected in the map below have all of these health outcomes occurring simultaneously at the specified highest (worst) levels.



### Dayton

#### Dayton, Ohio Tier 1 Convergence Demographic Snapshot

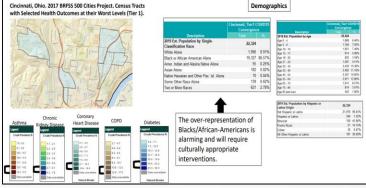
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Description	Total	1.0	Description
Est. Population by Single- ification Race	12,961		2019 Est. Pop Age 16+ by
a Alone	1,349	10.41%	Employment Status
k or African American Alone	10,879	83.94%	In Armed Forces
er. Indian and Alaska Native Alone	43		Civilian - Employed
an Alone	21	0.16%	Civilian - Unemployed
tive Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	2	0.02%	Not in Labor Force
me Other Race Alone	147	1.13%	Not in Labor Porce
io or More Races	520	4.01%	2019 Est. Civ. Employed
119 Est. Population by Hispanic or atino Origin	12,961		Pop 16+ by Class of Worker For-Profit Private Workers
at Hispanic or Latino	12,654	97.63%	Non-Profit Private Workers
spanic or Latino.	307	2.37%	Local Government Workers
exican	141	45.93%	State Government Workers
ierto Rican	59		Federal Government Worker
uban	30	9.77%	Self-Employed Workers
Other Hispanic or Latino	77	25.08%	Unpaid Family Workers

Cincinnati

#### Tier 1 Convergence—COVID-19

Crude Prevalence Percentages are as follows: COPD is between 10.8% to 17.9%; Current Asthma is between 13% to 17.3%; Coronary Heart Disease is between 8.7% is between 15%; Diabetes is between 19.5% to 30%; Kidney Disease is between 4.7% and 7.8%. The census tracts reflected in the map below have all of these conditions occurring simultaneously at the specified levels. The total population of these combined tracts is 22,721.



### Toledo

#### Toledo, Ohio Tier 1 Convergence Demographic Snapshot

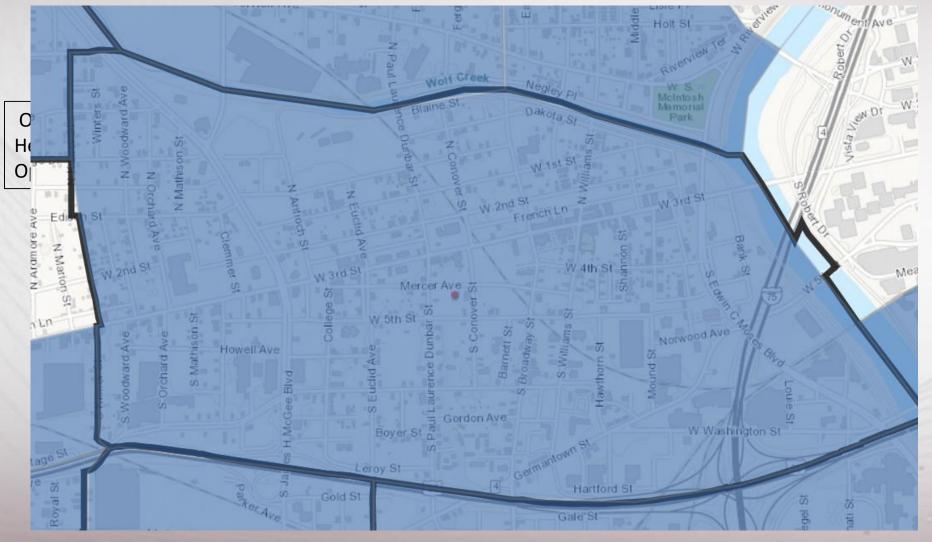
The demographic analysis reflects that Blacks/African-Americans are disproportionately represented in areas with underlying conditions for COVID-19. There are also a significant number of Latinos in this area. A full demographic report will be included with this slide deck.

Description	Toledo COV Convergence T Total		Toledo, Ohio. 2017 BRFSS Project. Census Tracts with Health Outcomes at their V
2019 Est. Population by Single- Classification Race	17,373		MAI
White Alone	1,897	10.92%	- mit
Black or African American Alone	14,057	80.91%	and the
American Indian and Alaska Native Alone	69	0.40%	
Asian Alone	50	0.29%	114
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Alone	7	0.04%	Har
Some Other Race Alone	488	2.81%	Levis
Two or More Races	805	4.63%	
2019 Est. Population by Ethnicity (Hispanic or Latino)	17,373		
Hispanic or Latino	1,059	6.10%	
Not Hispanic or Latino	16314	93.90%	

Selected		Toledo COVID Convergence Tier 1	
Worst Levels.	Description	Total	×.,
-	2019 Est. Pop Age 16+ by Employment Status	13,208	
LA	In Armed Forces	0	0.00%
2	Civilian - Employed	5,494	41.60%
1	Civilian - Unemployed	1,474	11.16%
5	Not in Labor Force	6,240	47.24%
	2019 Est. Civ. Employed Pop 16+ by Class of Worker	5,208	
	For-Profit Private Workers	3,856	74.04%
	Non-Profit Private Workers	536	10.29%
	Local Government Workers	304	5.84%
	State Government Workers	141	2.71%
	Federal Government Workers	93	1.79%
	Self-Employed Workers	272	5.22%
	Unpaid Family Workers	6	0.12%

### **Connecting Specific Social Determinants with Health Outcomes in Neighborhoods**

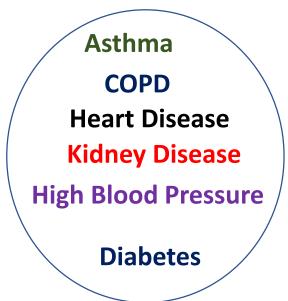
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### When Health Disparities Turn into Health Inequities



Census Tracts of Selected Ohio Cities. COVID-19 Risk Factors at the Highest (Worst Levels).



Akron



Black 68% White 23% 2+ Races 5% Latino 3% Pop. 13,387



Black 47% White 43% 2+ Races 7% Latino 3% Pop. 11,887

#### Cincinnati



Black 87% White 9% 2+ Races 3% Latino 2% Pop. 22,324

### Cleveland



Black 96% White 2% 2+ Races 2% Latino 2% Pop. 3,837

#### Columbus



Black 77%

White 16%

Latino 3%

Pop. 44,299

2+ Races 5%



**Toledo** 

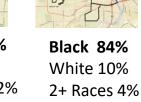
Black 81% White 11% 2+ Races 5% Latino 6% Pop. 19,370

### Dayton

Youngstown



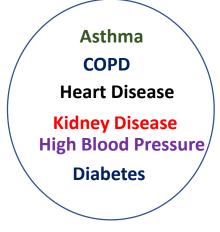
Black 77% White 16% 2+ Races 5% Latino 5% Pop. 4,086



Latino 2%

Pop. 12,961

### What social determinants drive these health outcomes out of control?



### Columbus



- **Concentrated Poverty**
- **Income Inequality**
- **Food Insecurity**
- Segregation

#### Cincinnati



- **Income Inequality** •
- **Concentrated Poverty**

#### Cleveland



Segregation

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- **Concentrated Poverty**
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### Akron



- **Income Inequality** ٠
- **Concentrated Poverty**
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- **Concentrated Poverty** •
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#### Dayton



- Segregation
  - **Concentrated Poverty**



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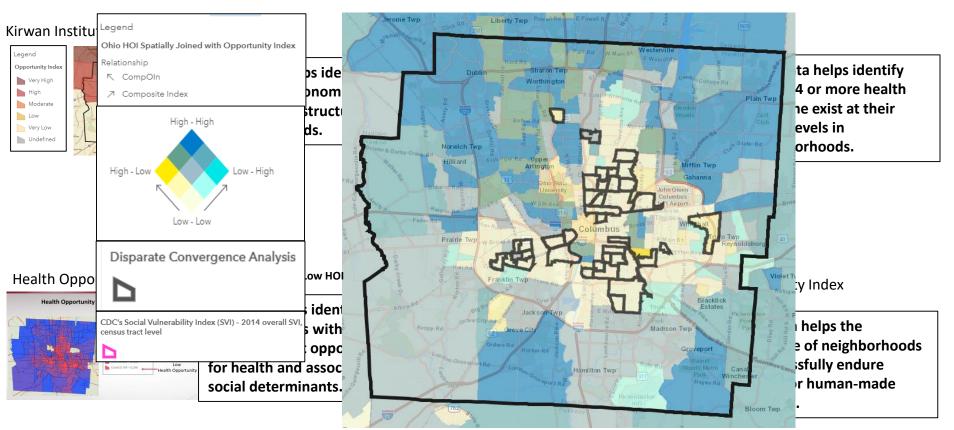


### Making Different Data Sets Work for You

The following slide will demonstrate how to combine different data to solve challenging public health problems.

Using GIS technology to combine different spatial analysis to understand how opportunity structures influence health.

**Combine All Four** 

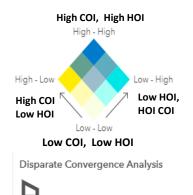


### This is the map that is generated by combining all four analysis.

Let's walk through, step by step, what you just observed by combining all three data-sets.

# Franklin County, Ohio. Visualizing the Relationship Between the Health Opportunity Index (HOI), Comprehensive Opportunity Index (COI) and Disparate Convergence Analysis (DCA) by Census Tract and CDC Social Vulnerability Index.





CDC's Social Vulnerability Index (SVI) - 2014 overall SVI, census tract level

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Reflecting neighborhoods with high health opportunity and high health opportunity.

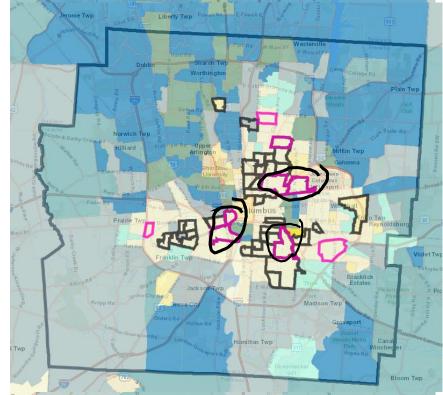
Next, identify neighborhoods with high opportunity and low <u>health</u> opportunity.

Next, reflect neighborhoods with low opportunity and low health opportunity.

Next, identify neighborhoods with more than four extremely poor health outcomes, simultaneously, at their worst levels (Disparate Convergence Analysis).

Next, identify neighborhoods with a high CDC Social Vulnerability Index (between 0.955 to 1). Next, identify were all for

conditions are simultaneously challenging.



## Again, What is the connection to COVID-19?



### Introduction

- On April 3, 2020 the ODH Office of Health Equity (OHE) learned of a new data-set from Deloitte Consulting, LLP containing risk information for COVID-19 at the household level. This data could augment existing convergence analysis studies from the OHE to inform the statewide COVID-19 response.
- The OHE quickly assembled a group of Ohio-based health equity and data science experts (hereafter referred to as the *Ohio Team*). The Ohio Team endeavored to work with Deloitte Consulting to leverage their data to respond to the myriad of COVID-19 needs among vulnerable populations in Ohio.
- The Deloitte team employs a variety of health data-scientists and uses a proprietary data tool, Health 360, which is based on predictive modeling across multiple data sources. Health 360 uses GIS mapping to provide household level insights on the pre-existing COVID-19 health conditions, household composition and social determinants of health.

**Ohio Team**: Johnnie (Chip) Allen, MPH (Ohio Department of Health), Dr. Deena Chisolm, PhD (Nationwide Children's Hospital), Dr. Andrew Miller, PhD (OSU Kirwan Institute), Dr. Kierra Barnett, PhD (OSU Kirwan Institute), Dr. Juliana Nemeth, PhD (OSU College of Public Health), Angela Dawson, MS, MRC, LPC (Ohio Commission on Minority Health), Dr. Jason Reece, PhD (OSU Knowlton School of Architecture, Kirwan Institute), Tif Huber, MA (Ohio Department of Health), Teresa Valadez, BA (Ohio Department of Health)

**Deloitte Consulting**: Sean Conlin (Lead Delivery Principal), Dr. Meera Kanhouwa, MD (Managing Director), Keith Cherry (Lead Account Principal), Aptta Bhutto (Project Manager), Teress Votto (Insight Manager, Clinical Operations), Brett Woefel (Analytics SME), Welman Aquino (Healthcare Insight Advisor (Nurse), Helen Han (Data Scientist), Shaleen Raina (Data Engineer).

### **Questions and Approach**

**Executive Summary** 

#### Ohio Team Questions?

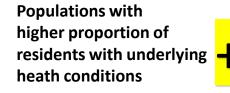
- Which census tracts of interest have the greatest number of households at risk of being unable to safely social distance and/or selfquarantine?
- Where will secondary waves of the COVID-19 epidemic most likely occur (for vulnerable populations)?
- Where should COVID-19 testing be concentrated to assess disease prevalence and enhance COVID-19 treatment and quarantine protocols?
- Which census tracts can be prioritized for community-based COVID-19 testing for families, especially those living in multiunit dwellings, crowded households and/or with possible limited English proficiency?

Approach	

- a. Use a variety of data sources (Health 360, CDC Social Vulnerability Index, Claritas, PolicyMap) to locate vulnerable populations.
- b. Gather insights from the Ohio Team (health equity and data experts) to focus data and insights from the Deloitte Team.
- c. Compile a list of interventions that can mitigate COVID-19 risks among vulnerable populations.
- d. Apply Deloitte's Health 360 household level data to focus/inform local interventions for COVID-19.
- e. Work with local community-based organizations to use the data to implement local solutions.

## The two factors that predispose segments of Ohio's population to the burden of COVID-19 disease & death:

- 1. Populations most vulnerable to <u>death</u> resultant from COVID-19 exposure are those with <u>pre-existing underlying medical conditions</u>.
- 2. Populations most vulnerable to COVID-19 <u>disease spread</u> are populations that <u>cannot socially distance due to the context in which they live or work.</u>



For example,

- Elders
- African & Latino Americans
- Immigrants
- People Living with Disabilities
- The Poor
- Appalachian Ohioans
- Survivors of Interpersonal Violence
- Sexual & Gender Minorities

Populations with lower proportion of residents who can socially distance

For example,

- Congregate living residents
- Residents in crowded housing
- Low-wage essential workers, including:
  - workers in the food & PPE supply chains,

**Populations who will** 

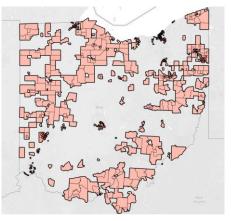
burden of COVID-19

disease and death

experience the

- public transportation and services &
- those supporting hospitals and care facilities

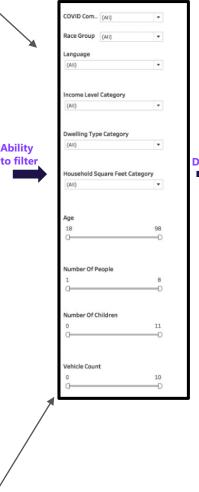
Ohio census tracts with populations most vulnerable for COVID-19.



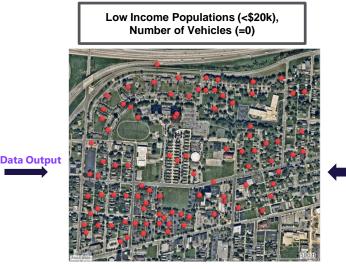
- Families of essential workers
- Families without a car
- Residents who are food or housing insecure
- Residents who rely on medication to control underlying health conditions

### **Vulnerable Populations**

- Ohioans Over Age 65
- Racial and Ethnic Minorities
- Pregnant Women
- Parents of Extremely Young or Multiple Children
- Appalachian Ohioans
- Ohioans with Disabilities
- Individuals Who Have Immigrated and/or English is a Second Language
- Survivors of Interpersonal Violence
- Individuals Experiencing Short-Term or Persistent Housing Insecurity
- Ohioans living in Congregate Housing
- Sexual and gender minorities
- Individuals Living with Mental/Substance Abuse Disorder
- Economically Challenged
   Individuals
- Low-Wage Essential Employees
- The Un- and Underinsured







Insights include:

- Demographic profile (race, age, gender)
- Concentration of low-wage essential workers
- COVID-19 co-morbidities
- # of persons living in each HH
- Square footage
- Household Income level

### Interventions

- Dissemination of COVID-19 safety kits.
- Targeted COVID-19 testing.
- Hospital surge planning.
- Locate residents in congregate settings at risk for COVID-19.
- Understanding risk for housing insecurity.
- Detect potential locations for secondary waves of the COVID-19 outbreak.

### Parting Thoughts

- COVID-19 exploits the existing burden of infant mortality.
- We must use different data to understand the connection and effect of pandemics like COVID-19 on infant mortality.
- You do not have to be a GIS expert to conduct this type of analysis. All you need is
  a set of questions that need to be answered or decisions that need to be made to
  get started.
- Whatever data you have, try combining different types of information to break out of your silo.



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