

Partnering with Public Health and Communities to Address COVID-19 and Health Disparities Among Latino Kansans



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BACKGROUND

Latinos experience systemic conditions that put them at higher risk of chronic disease and limit their access to healthcare. In 2020, COVID-19 emerged as the primary cause of death in this population¹. The partnerships developed to mitigate the pandemic can be leveraged to address other health disparities experienced by Latinos.



OBJECTIVE

To mitigate COVID-19 and the disparities it exposed in Latino communities through community-academic-public health partnerships.

Meeting individuals where they are through community-academic-public health collaborations showed potential to address COVID-19 and related health disparities in Latino communities.



METHODS

We partnered with local and state health departments, clinics and community organizations to host community-based clinics in under-resourced Latino neighborhoods, providing COVID-19 vaccines, testing, food distribution, and other health and social resources. JUNTOS Promotoras offered information, navigation, N-95 masks, and at-home tests at small businesses. We offered free soccer clinics for vaccinated children and co-developed and distributed health messages in Spanish through a statewide network.

Vaccine event flyer

¡MOCHILAS Y ÚTILES ESCOLARES GRATIS!
 Para los primeros 100 niños que se vacunen o se hagan su examen físico.

VACUNAS
 4 a 18 años
 Meningitis Hepatitis B
 Dtap Hepatitis A
 Polio Pneumococcal
 Varicela MMR

COVID - 6 años en adelante
 Tdap - 9 años en adelante
 VPH - 11 años en adelante

Sábado, 15 de julio
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Iglesia San Juan Evangelista
 2910 Strong Ave Kansas City, KS 66106

Exámenes físicos para niños de 5 a 18 años

Pruebas de A1C (glucosa), presión arterial e Índice de Masa Corporal sin costo.

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COVID-19 Materials

¡LAS VACUNAS ACTUALIZADAS CONTRA EL COVID-19 YA ESTÁN DISPONIBLES PARA BEBÉS Y NIÑOS DE 6 MESES A 5 AÑOS!

Las vacunas contra COVID actualizada (bivalente) de Pfizer y Moderna para niños de 6 meses a 5 años han sido autorizadas por la Administración de Alimentos y Medicamentos (FDA, por sus siglas en inglés) y recomendadas para su uso por los CDC.

Edad	Pfizer-BioNTech	Moderna	J&J/Janssen
6 meses a 5 años	3 dosis. La 2a dosis 21 días después de la 1a. La 3er dosis 8 semanas después de la 2a.	2 dosis. La 2a dosis 28 días después de la 1a.	No está autorizada

Visita [vacunas.gov](https://www.vacunas.gov) para encontrar vacunas cerca de ti. Si tienes preguntas, contacta al doctor de tu hijo o a tu departamento de salud.

Las vacunas son seguras y la mejor forma de proteger a nuestros niños.

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RESULTS

59
Community Clinics

1,483
COVID-19 Vaccines

675
COVID-19 Tests

250 families
Recieved Food Boxes

Promotoras reached **7,123 people** at small businesses and communiy organizations

100 vaccinated children participated in soccer clinics

Disseminated evidence-based health resources through social media and video-podcast:

155,942 reached

6,795 reached

6,136 reached

All results are from January 2022 to July 2023

References:
www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?lvl=3&lvlid=64¹

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