

RACIAL AND ETHNIC INFANT MORTALITY: NARROWING THE GAP IN MICHIGAN

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HEALTH EQUITY IN MICHIGAN

Health Disparities

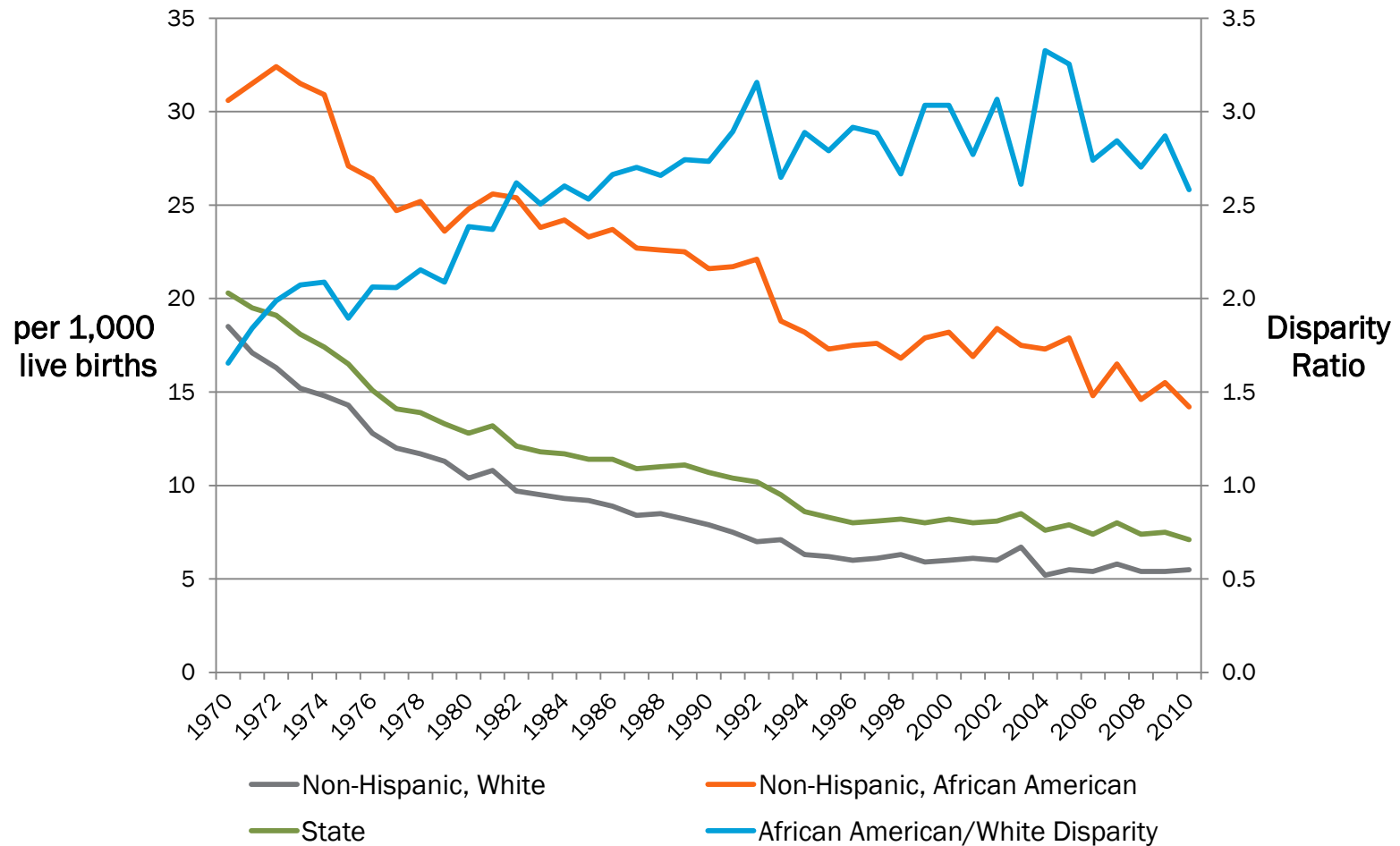


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Health Disparities – refers to measured differences between two groups, but do not indicate a reason for the differences.



Michigan infant mortality by race/ethnicity 1970-2010



Source: MI Resident Live Birth and Death Files, Division for Vital Records and Health Statistics

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Health Equity



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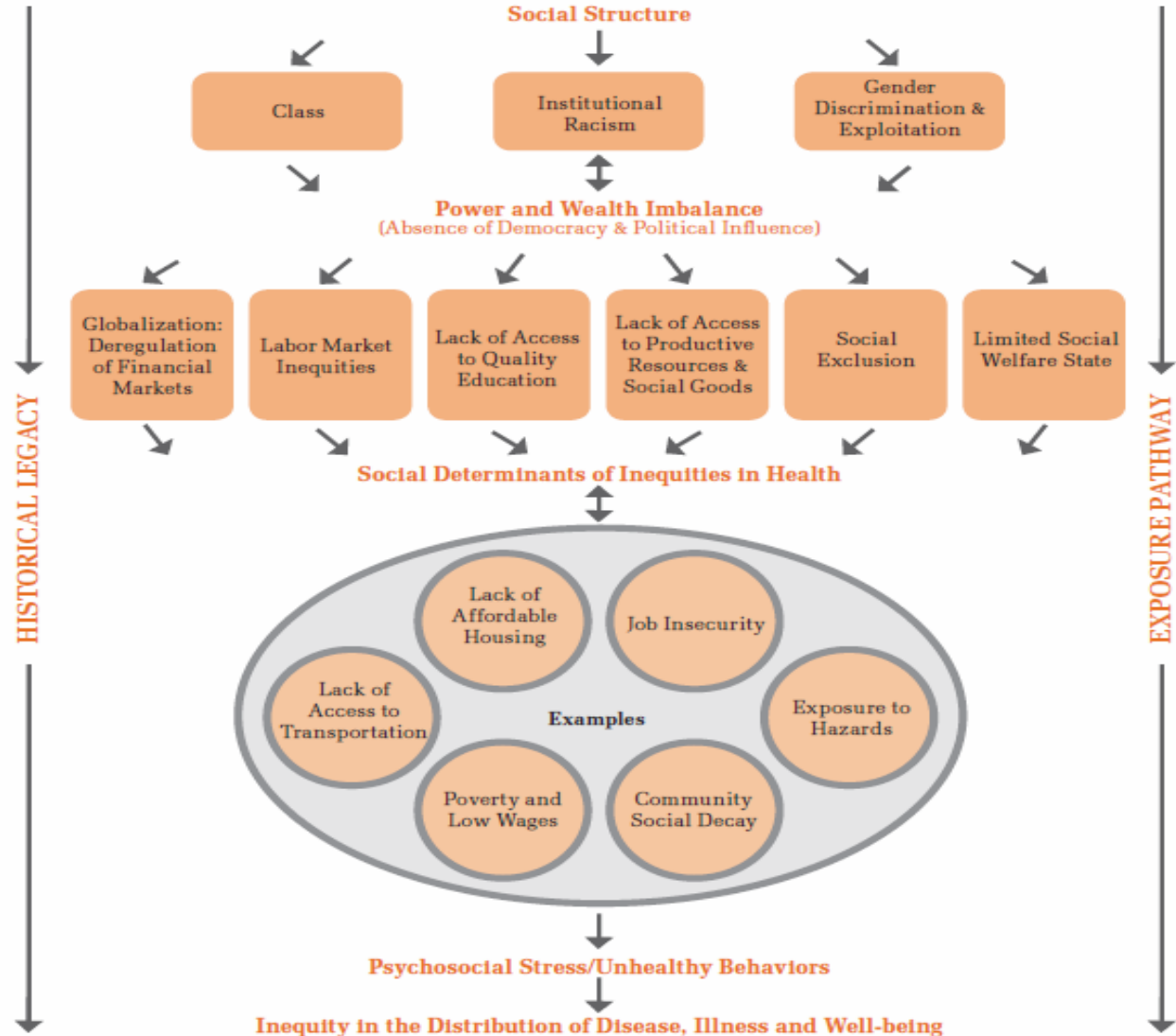
Health Equity - is a fair, just distribution of the opportunities and resources needed to obtain well being.

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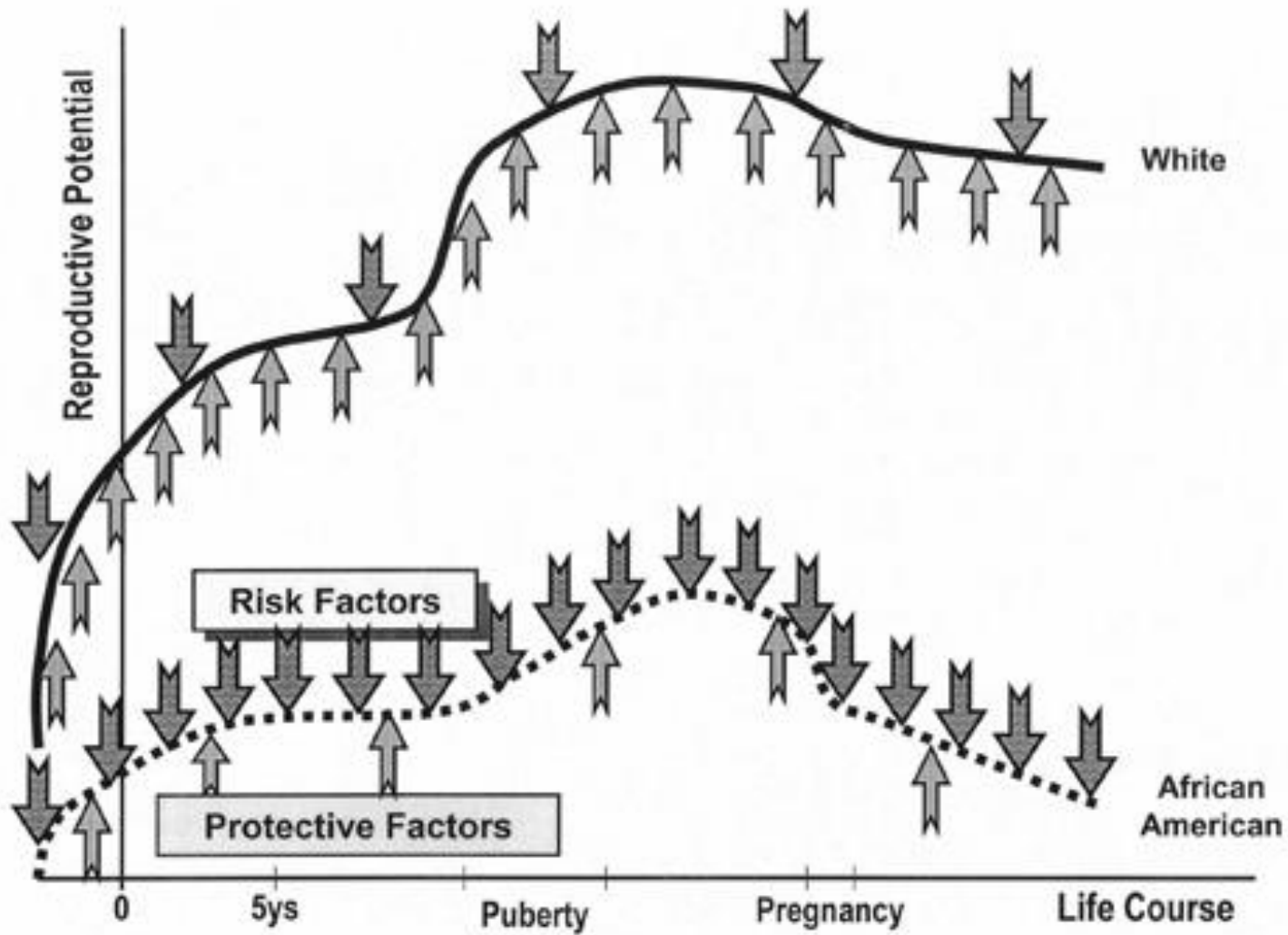


SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH (SDOH)

3. How Social Injustice Becomes Embodied in Differential Disease and Mortality Rates



Source: Hofrichter, R.



THE LIFE COURSE PERSPECTIVE

Source: Lu and Halfor, 2003

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH (SDOH)

Psychosocial

- Racism
- Intimate Partner Violence
- Stress
- Female Head Household

Socioeconomic

- Education
- Unemployment
- Poverty

Basic Needs

- Transportation
- Affordable Housing
- Neighborhood Safety
- Sleep Environment

Healthcare Access

- Coverage for Pregnancy & Delivery
- Barriers to Accessing Prenatal Care



EQUITY - A PICTURE SAYS IT ALL