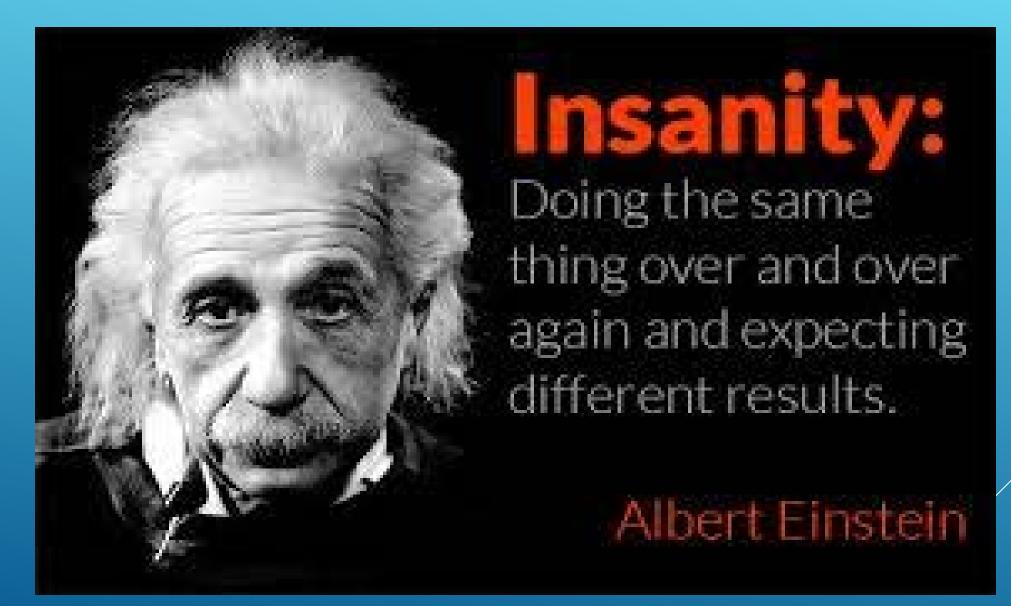
# EDUCATION AND THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

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Who is on the bank of the river? And, what are they doing?

*"The web of causation"* Nancy Kreiger





### SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

The complex, integrated, and overlapping social structures and economic systems that are responsible for most health inequities.

- Socioeconomic Status
  - Education
  - Occupation
  - Income
- Housing-Zip code
- Built Environment
- Food- Security, Desert
- Political Power
- Racism & Discrimination

- Early Life
- Social Exclusion
- Work
- Unemployment
- Social Support
- Addiction
- Stress
- Transport
- The Social Gradient

Dealing with the social determinants of health may yield greater and more sustainable returns The Troutman Group

- Education can improve health by increasing health knowledge
- Leads to greater employment opportunities
- Linked with social and psychological factors that affect health
- PQLI experience
- "55,000 degrees"
- Kalamazoo Promise

# HOW DOES EDUCATION INFLUENCE HEALTH

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## TELL ME HOW A MAN DIED AND I'LL TELL YOU WHERE HE LIVED ARISTOTLE

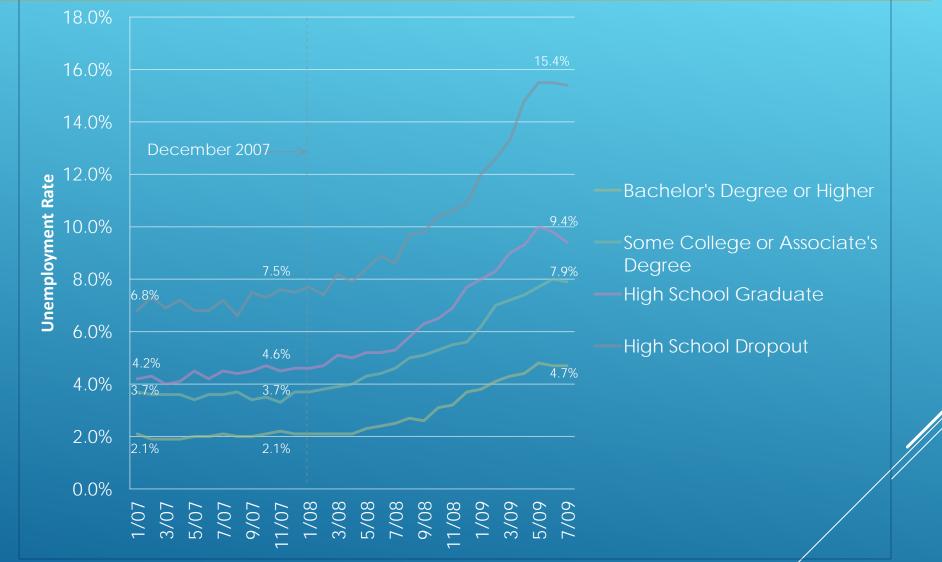
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#### **Unemployment Rates by Education Level**



# REFRAMING HOW WE THINK ABOUT HEALTH

Healthy eating, *S*ehavid exercise Changes Clinical Rx for hypertension, insulin care Long-term Immunizations, smoking cessation interventions Smoke free policies, Policies seat belt laws

Social Determinants

Poverty, education, housing, inequality

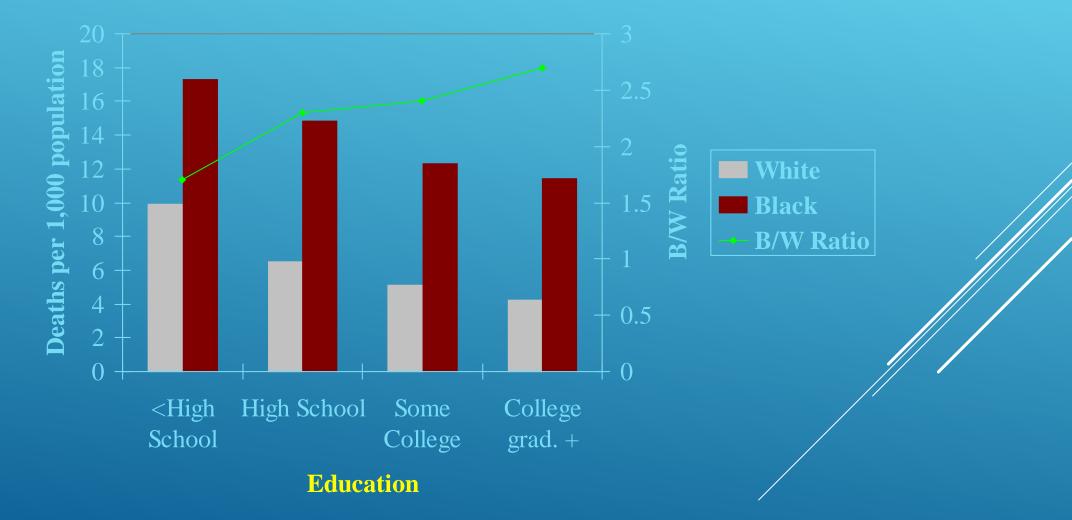
Based on Frieden 2010

## LIFE EXPECTANCY AT AGE 25, 1998

Group	White	Black	Difference
All	53.4	48.4	
Education			
a. 0-12 Years	50.1	47.0	
b. 12 Years	54.1	49.9	4.2
c. Some College	55.2	50.9	4.3
d. College Grad	56.5	52.3	4.2
Difference	6.4	5.3	

Murphy, NVSS 2000; Braveman et al. in Press, NLMS 1988-1998

#### **INFANT DEATH RATES BY MOTHER'S EDUCATION, 1995**



## INFANT MORTALITY BY MOTHER'S EDUCATION, 1995

