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- Trauma- and Violence-Informed Care
- Harm Reduction
- Culturally Safe Care

Tailored to context and responsive to inequities

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- Explicitly commit to equity
- Develop supportive organizational structures, policies, and processes
- Re-vision the use of time
- Attend to power differentials
- Tailor care, programs and services to local contexts
- Actively counter racism and discrimination
- Promote meaningful community + patient engagement
- Tailor care to address inter-related forms of violence
- Enhance access to the social determinants of health
- Optimize use of place and space

Why is Equity-Oriented Care Important? Evidence from the EQUIP Study:

Patients experiencing equity-oriented care showed higher levels of comfort and confidence about the care they received.

Increased levels of comfort and confidence predicted increased confidence to manage their health issues.

Over time, as confidence increased, patients’ self-reported quality of life improved, and symptoms of chronic pain, depression and PTSD decreased.

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