The second issue of JHDRP proudly presents another diverse selection of scholarly articles that expand our discussions of disparate health conditions in our nation.

Throughout this issue, the authors explore health disparities across time and space, examine the utility of available resources and current reporting systems, and consider the complexity of symptom reporting and health communication. Every article reflects new knowledge that broadens our understanding of cultural, environmental, and societal determinants of health, disease, and disparities. Of particular note in our lead article, Satterfield examines the contributions of community and cultural knowledge in expanding our understanding of science and health.

One of the important themes present in all these papers is the importance of population-specific information and data for recognizing and resolving disparities. As we build knowledge on how populations communicate, interpret, understand, and perceive health problems, we also gain clarity in understanding how these same populations are counted, perceived, and understood with regard to health.

Thank you for your continuing support of our efforts to provide a forum for disseminating high quality articles on health disparities research and practice.

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