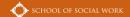


Asian American Quality of Life (AAQoA): Scope of the Work

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Target Population

- · Resident of city of Austin
- Self-identified Asian American
 - Chinese, Vietnamese, Indian, Korean, and Filipino
 - Special interest in refugee groups
- Age group?
- Sample size?



Challenges

- A wide range of age spectrum
 - Breadth vs. depth
- Sample size should be large enough to capture the representativeness of each group.
- Need for more ground work on refugee populations

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Proposal

- Aged 40+
 - e.g., Midlife in the United States (MIDUS) project and California Health Interview Survey (CHIS)
- A total of 1,250
 - 250 participants per each of the 5 major ethnic groups
- Pilot work on refugee populations as a Special Research Project (SRP) within the AAQoL project



Methods

- Self-administered or interviewer-assisted survey (paper and pencil format)
- Questionnaires available in English, Chinese, Vietnamese, Hindi, Korean, and Tagalog
- 8-page in length
- Administering time less than 20 minutes
- Purposive sampling method

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Modeling after Our Success with the CHPR Project

- Funded by St. David's CHPR (\$25,000)
 - Surveys with older Korean Americans in 2013 (n=209)
 - Using a Korean version of questionnaire (8-page in length)
- 11 Korean churches, 2 other religious groups, 1 senior educational center, 4 meetings of the Korean Elderly Association, and 3 social clubs
- Efforts were made to reach socially isolated individuals by soliciting active referrals from a variety of sources.
- So far, 5 articles have been generated (1 published, 4 under review)
- Served as a preliminary work for the pending NIH grant (\$1.8M)



Survey Contents

- 1. Demographic/background information
- 2. Life stress
- 3. Physical and mental health
- 4. Psychosocial and cultural resources
- 5. Neighborhood social capital
- 6. Quality of life

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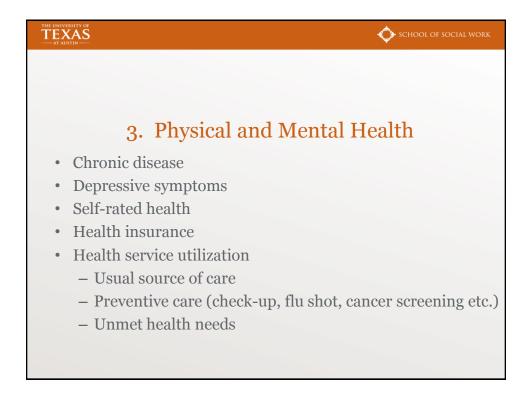


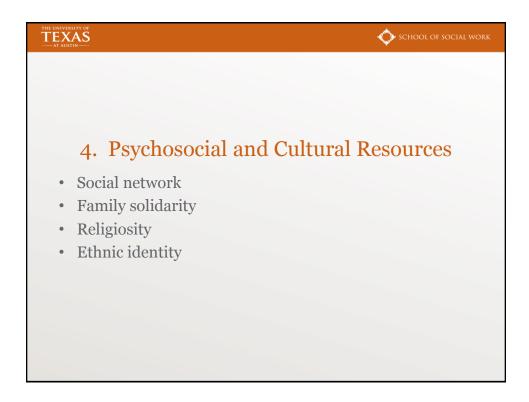
1. Demographic/background Information

- Age
- Gender
- Marital status
- Living arrangement
- Education
- Occupation
- Income

- Residential address
- Foreignborn/native/generation
- Length of stay in the US
- Length of stay in Austin
- English proficiency
- Acculturation











Plan Team assembly I project leader and 3 bilingual interviewers in each group Development of a master questionnaire in English Translation into multiple languages UT Austin IRB approval Literature review on each ethnic group Community assessment & identification of gatekeepers Survey data collection & analysis



Proposed Analysis Plan

- Descriptive analysis
- Predictive models of quality of life
- Social Network Analysis (SNA)
- Geographic Information System (GIS)

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Timeline														
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Team assembly	X	X												
Development of master questionnaire in English	X	X												
Translation into 5 languages		X	X											
UT Austin IRB approval				X	X									
Literature review on each group	X	X	X	X	X									
Ethnic community assessment & identification of gatekeepers		X	X	X	X									
Survey data collection					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Data entry & management											X	X		
Data analysis												X	X	
Preliminary assessment on refugee populations							X	X	X	X				
Writing a report												X	X	X

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Outcomes

- Needs assessment
- Exploration of similarities and differences of the 5 ethnic groups
- Identification of people and areas to be prioritized in service provision and outreach efforts
- Informing source for public policies and programs
- Basis for further research on refugee populations

