

Effects of Trump Administration's Dismantling of DEI Efforts Analyzed One Year Later

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Early in his second term, President Trump issued a flurry of Executive Orders and directives targeting the elimination of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives and programs within the federal government. [KFF reports](#) that these policies – despite the myriad of court orders and other legal challenges following in their wake – are having widespread implications, including reductions in research and interventions previously aimed at addressing disparities in health outcomes. Moreover, the report indicates the Administration's actions to suspend certain national surveys and omit DEI-related data elements have also compromised the integrity and accessibility of public health information, the effects of which could jeopardize the validity and accuracy of future health care-related research.