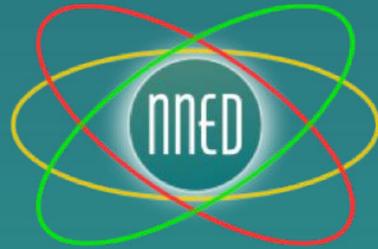


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Virtual Roundtable

**We will be starting soon,
thank you for joining us!**

COMMUNITIES RESPOND TO COVID-19
with Innovative High-impact Strategies

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS – ABOUT THE NNED



National Network to Eliminate
Disparities in Behavioral Health

A network of over **4,200 individuals**, including more than **1,100 community-based organizations** striving for behavioral health equity for for all individuals, families, and communities.



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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS - LOGISTICS



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SETTING THE STAGE



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naming racism [again | still]

in the midst of a pandemic

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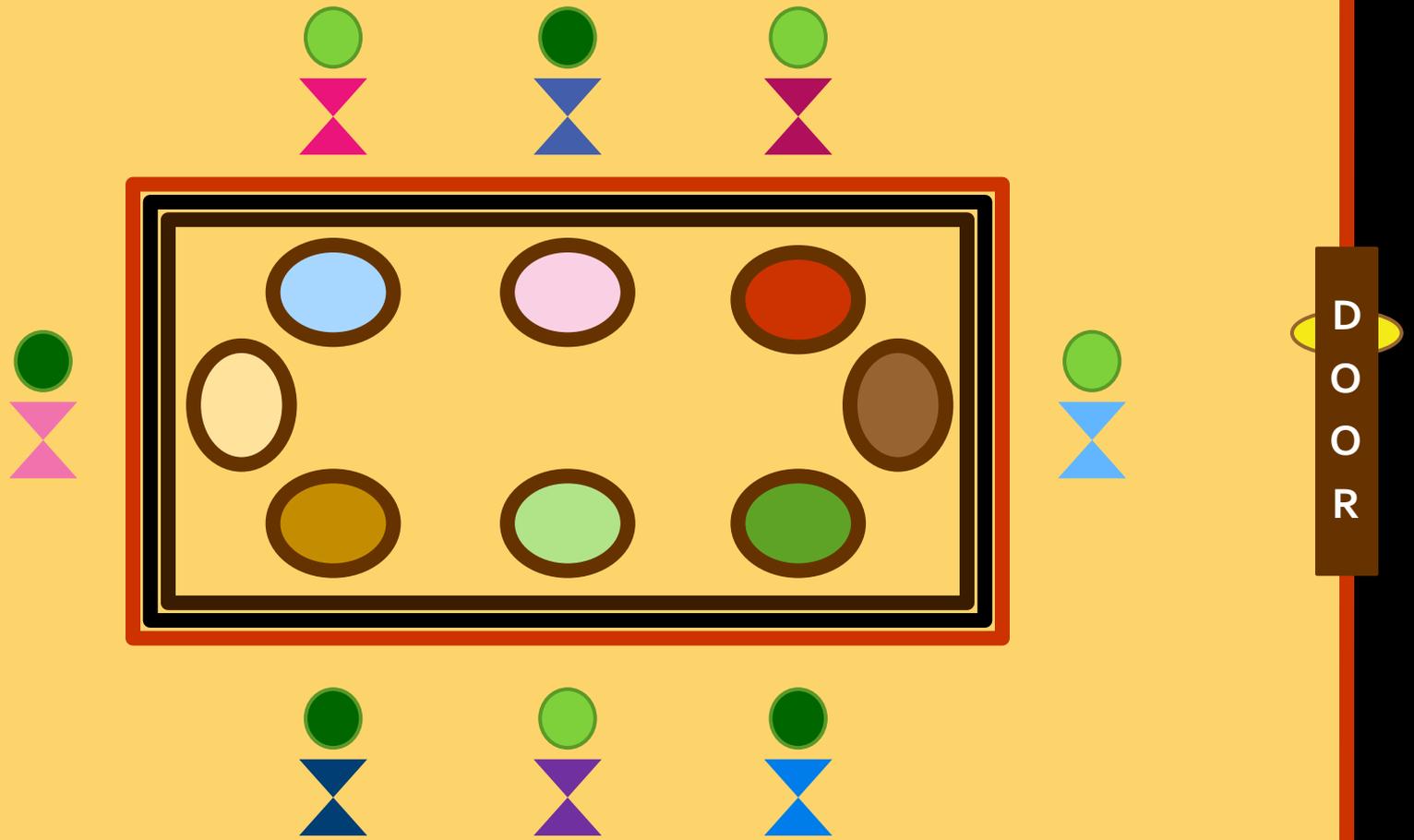
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*Via Zoom from Cambridge, Massachusetts
April 23, 2020*

Dual Reality: A restaurant saga





I looked up and noticed a sign . . .

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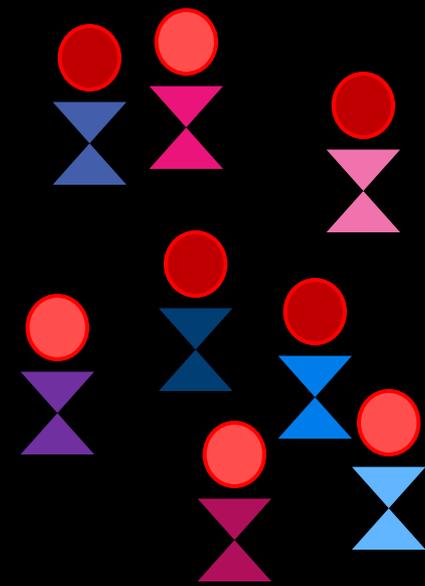
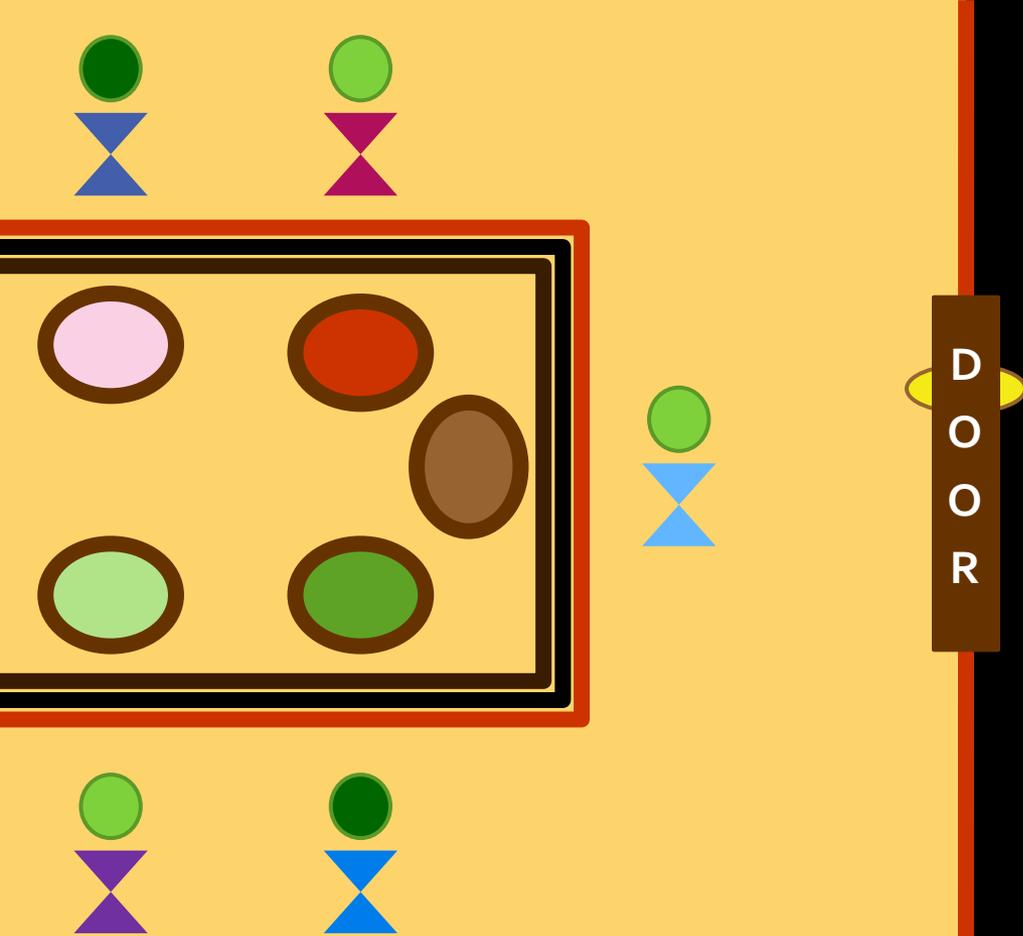




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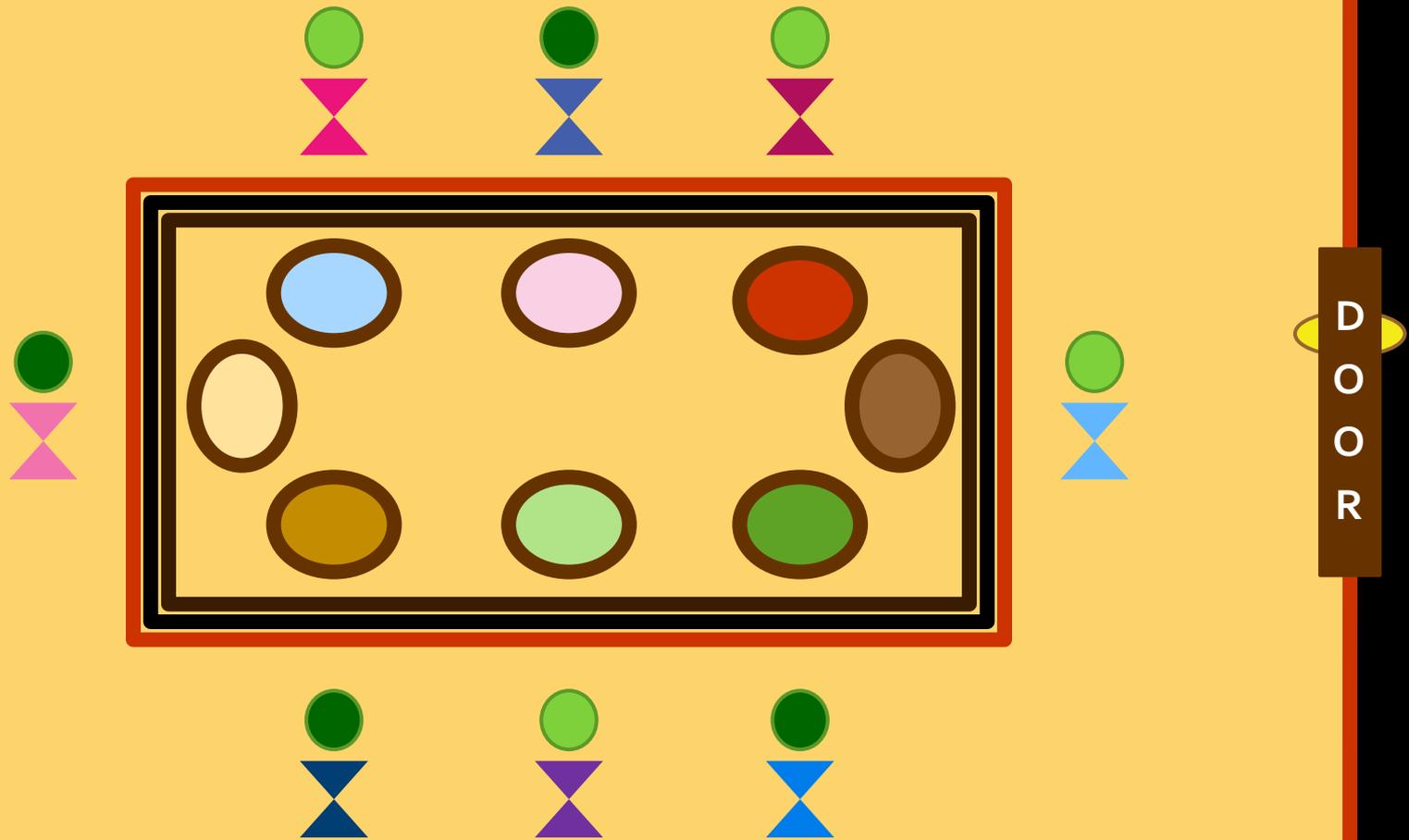


Racism structures “Open/Closed”
signs in our society.



It is difficult to recognize a system of inequity that privileges us.

Those on the outside are very aware of the two-sided nature of the sign.



Is there really a two-sided sign?

Hard to know, when only see “Open”.
A privilege not to HAVE to know.
Once DO know, can choose to act.

What is racism?

A system of structuring opportunity and assigning value based on the social interpretation of how one looks (which is what we call “race”), that

- Unfairly disadvantages some individuals and communities
- Unfairly advantages other individuals and communities
- Saps the strength of the whole society through the waste of human resources

“How is racism operating here?”

□ Identify mechanisms

- **Structures:** the *who?*, *what?*, *when?*, and *where?* of decision-making
- **Policies:** the written *how?*
- **Practices and norms:** the unwritten *how?*
- **Values:** the *why?*

Excess deaths of “Black” people from COVID-19

Why?

❑ **More exposed**

- In frontline jobs
- Living paycheck to paycheck
- Incarcerated
- Housing insecure

❑ **Less protected**

- Essential work roles not valued

❑ **More burdened by chronic diseases**

- Segregated into disinvested communities

❑ **Less access to health care**

- Underinsured
- Differential treatment

Excess deaths of “Black” people from COVID-19

“How is racism operating here?”

□ Identify mechanisms

- **Structures:** Racial residential segregation → poor educational opportunities → frontline jobs; disproportionate incarceration
- **Policies:** Limited personal protective equipment for low-wage essential workers; no paid sick leave; doctors orders for tests
- **Practices:** Testing centers in affluent areas and drive-up testing centers; medical rather than public health testing strategies
- **Norms:** Health care workers as more essential; maximizing life years saved; chronic diseases deemed due to individual choices
- **Values:** Hierarchy of value by work role, age, and burden of chronic diseases; lottery for rationing deemed provocative

Excess deaths of “Black” people from COVID-19

Strategies

❑ **More exposed**

- Financial support so that all but essential workers can safely shelter in place

❑ **Less protected**

- PPE for all essential workers
- Hazard pay for all essential workers

❑ **More burdened by chronic diseases**

- Increase resources in communities with higher anticipated needs

❑ **Less access to health care**

- Medicaid expansion
- Medicare for All
- Lottery for allocation of scarce life-saving resources

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PANELIST DISCUSSION – WHAT WE’LL TALK ABOUT

- Understanding how COVID-19 is affecting racial/ethnic minority communities
- Specific actions to deliver high-impact and easy to implement approaches that support behavioral health care
- How communities are getting culturally and linguistically information appropriate health information about COVID-19
- Thinking about the future



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PANELIST DISCUSSION - QUESTION 1

How is the COVID-19 pandemic influencing your work in and with your communities?



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PANELIST DISCUSSION – QUESTION 2

What innovative community-level, high-impact, and easy to implement strategies to support behavioral health needs might our participants be able to do in their own communities?



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PANELIST DISCUSSION - QUESTION 3

What strategies do you have to provide culturally and linguistically appropriate health information in a timely manner?



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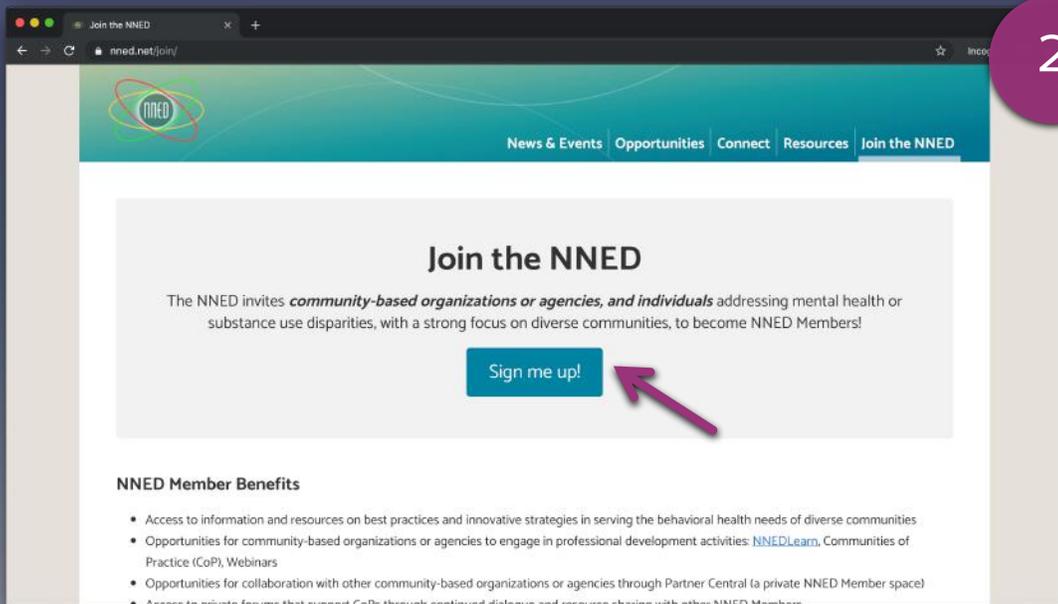


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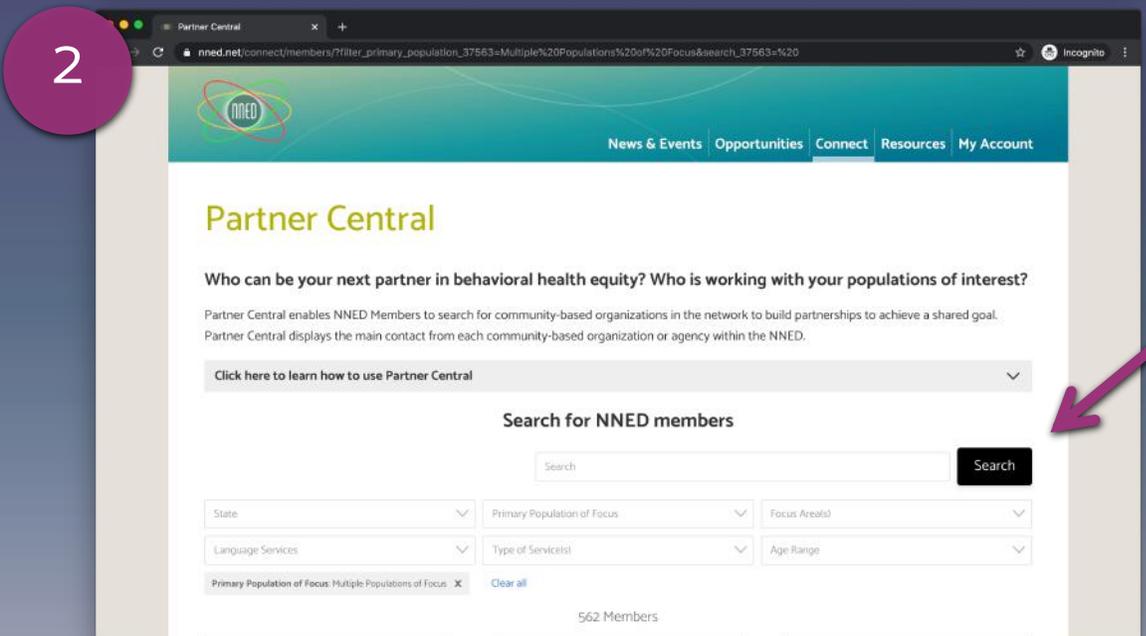
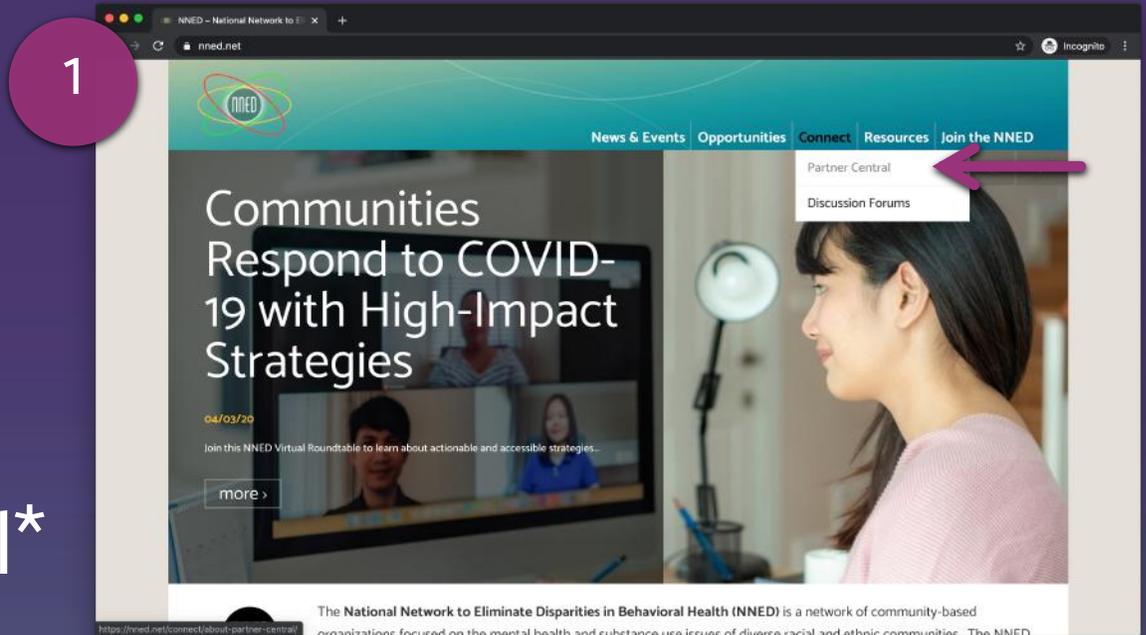
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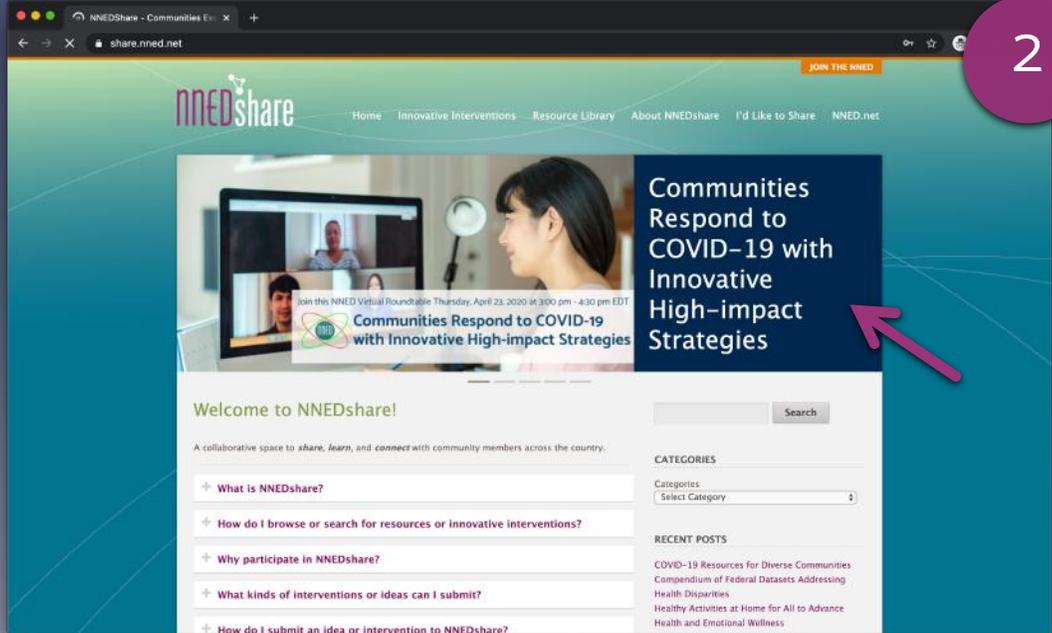
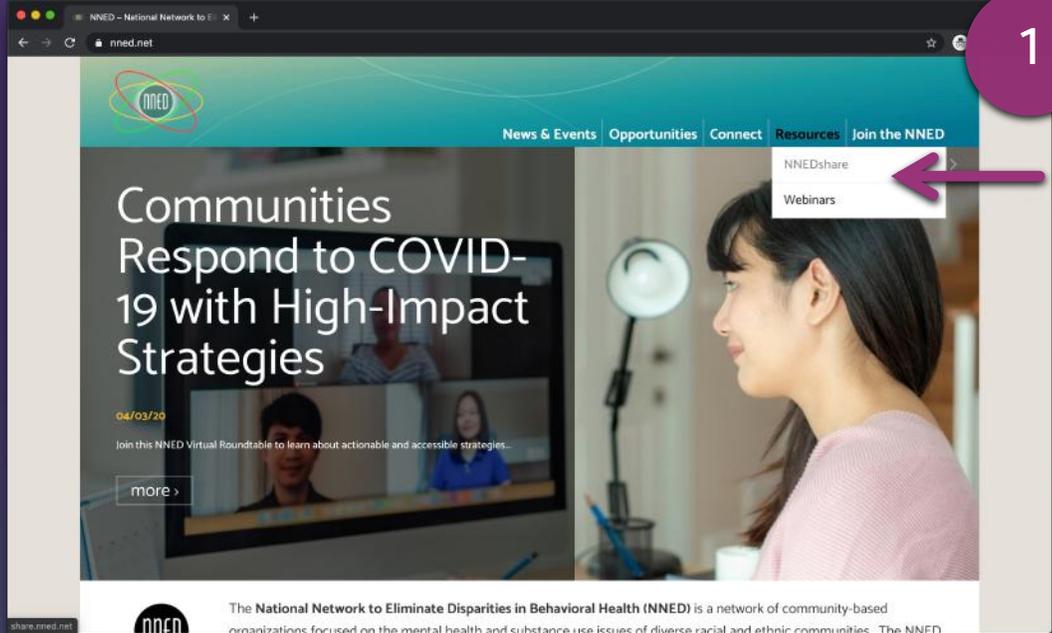
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- Emerging mental health needs for API communities
- Strategies for providing culturally and linguistically appropriate mental health and emotional support services to API populations
- Community approaches for addressing discrimination and stigma experienced by APIs

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PANELIST DISCUSSION - LIGHTNING ROUND

What is a quick message you'd like to share of reassurances about what is to come?



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