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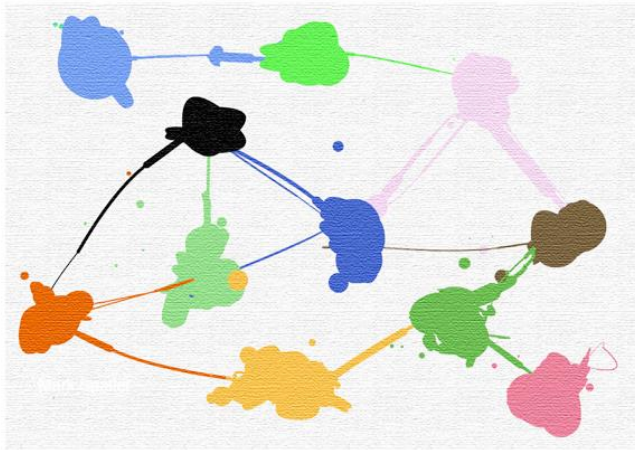
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Inseparable elements

Cultural constructs

Effects

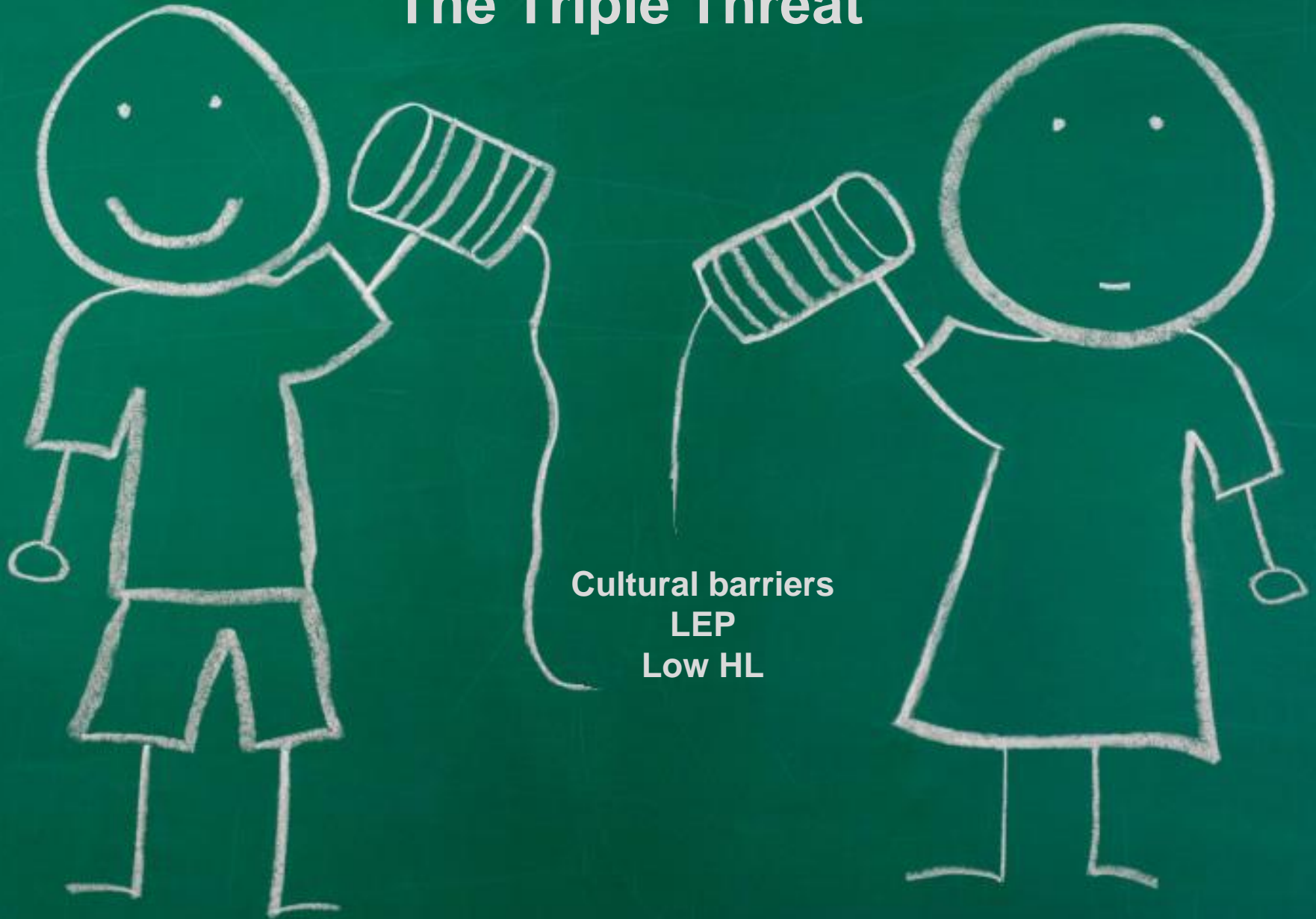
Let's act!

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“The Triple Threat”

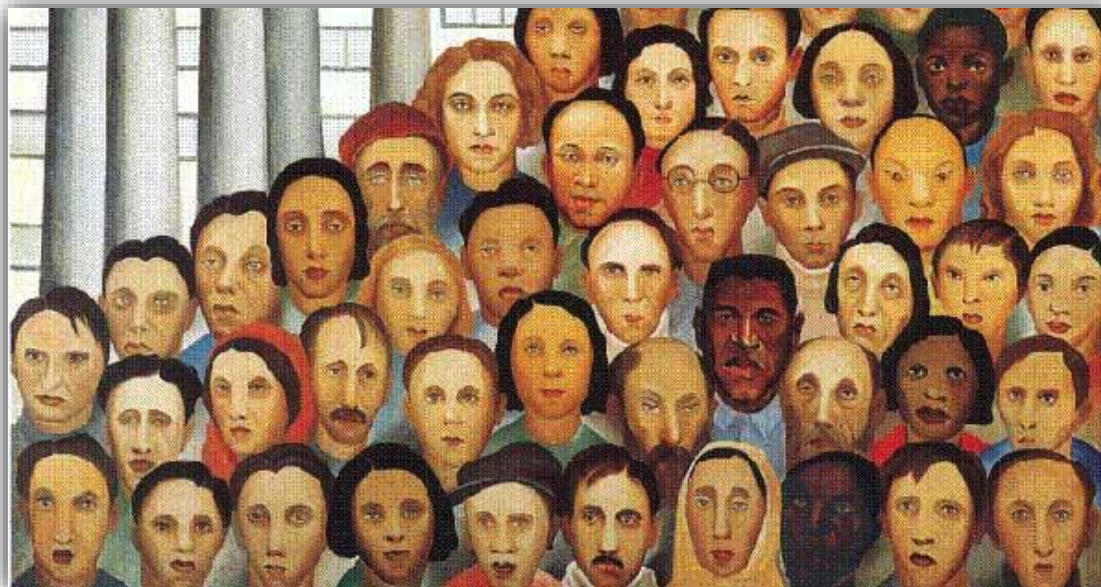




Health Literacy

“...obtain, process, and understand...”





Culture

“...learned, shared and transmitted knowledge of values, beliefs, and lifeways...”





Language

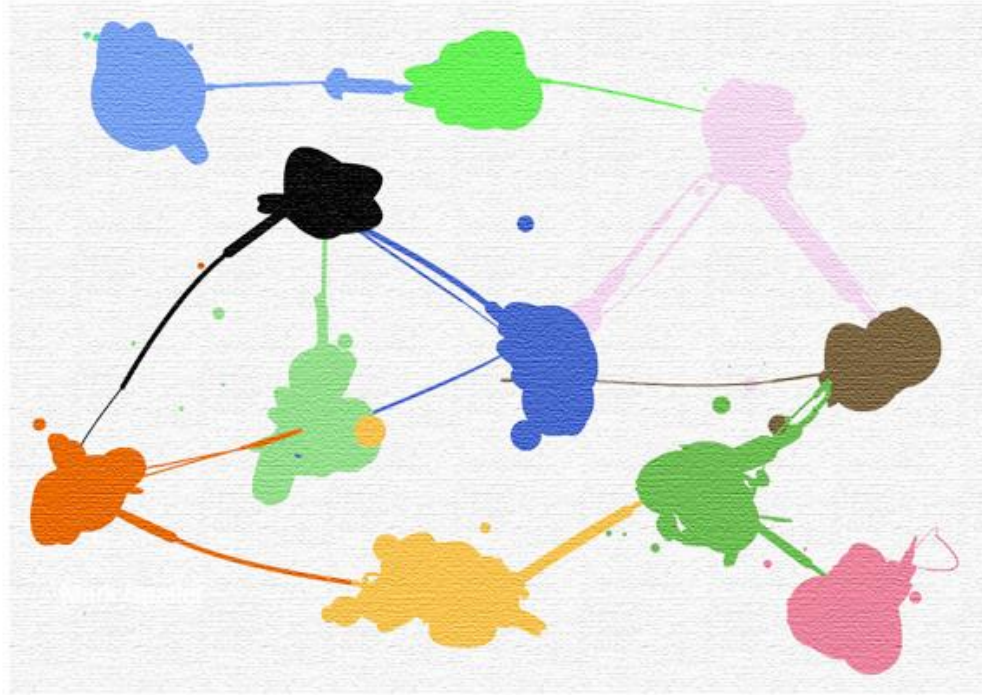
“...body of words...common to a people...”



LEP

Limited English Proficiency





Interrelationships



Magico-religious

Biomedical

Deterministic

Cultural Constructs



Familism vs individualism

Time orientation

High context vs low context

Cultural Constructs



Reading and writing

Listening and speaking

Numeracy

Critical thinking and decision making

Effects of Culture and Language



Self assessment

Patient assessment

Professional education

Interdisciplinary collaboration

Patient advocacy

Educational materials

What can we do?





Conclusions

