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Inequality, Housing, Covid-19

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Disabled people

- Inconsistent level of adaptations service prioritising hospital discharge vs. prevention & definition of urgent repairs
- Adaptations backlog & fluctuation in service
- Hospital discharge: unfit homes & fluctuations
- Access to social services & support
- Masks, signs & sensory impairments
- Opportunities for greater inclusion (<u>article</u>)
- Learning disability (LDW, All Wales People 1st)
- Changes to built environment



Black, Asian and ethnic minority population

- Unemployment and exposure to COVID-19: Overrepresentation in high C-19 risk occupation: care & health, retail, taxi drivers, security, processing plants, chefs, zero hour contracts
- Access to & suitability of PPE (<u>RCN</u> 43% BAME report enough access to eye&face covering vs. 66% of white staff // 37% BAME not enough access to gowns vs. 19% white)
- Refugee Homelessness, refused Asylum Seekers & migrants
- Culturally appropriate public health messaging (<u>SAGE</u>)
- Overcrowding: exploration of reasons & remedies (Race Equality Foundation)
 - interplay between household size, availability of appropriate accommodation and ability to access such accommodation.
 - Also recent study from Birmingham on Covid, BAME people & housing conditions
 https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/news/latest/2020/07/higher-risk-for-covid-patients-from-more-deprived-regions.aspx
 - Opportunity to link with housing orgs which signed up to Tai Pawb's Deeds not Words challenge
- Immigration rules lead to overexposure to Covid-19



Mental health

- Early signs of rise in children and young people's suicide rates
- PHW survey shows much bigger impact of C-19 on wellbeing of BAME people
 - 28% BAME worrying a lot about mental health (vs. 19% white people)
 - 33% BAME feelings of anxiety and isolation (vs. 22% white people)
 - Higher rates of worrying about job loss, finances etc.
- Different reasons for different groups (e.g. young vs. older, women/men etc.)



Women & Domestic violence, abuse ...

- Lockdown contact with Live Fear Free, rose by 49%, call time trebled, with those making contact often reporting more frequent abuse with shorter escalation periods (Live Fear Free and WG)
- Women (particularly those aged under 25) have been one of the hardest hit groups, with research indicating that 17.8% of all female employees have been impacted by lockdown measures in comparison with 13.7% of male employees.
- 68% of key workers are women: 41% of total female employment greater exposure
- PPE suitability
- Distribution of childcare, housework, greater risk of loss of employment (<u>Wales Fiscal Analysis</u>)
- More on Safety, Health, Poverty and Childcare issues (<u>WEN Wales</u>)



Young People

- Less than two-fifths of 25 to 34-year-olds in Wales having enough savings to replace a month of their regular income compared to nearly 90% of over-75s.
- Rise in homelessness, abuse, poverty (<u>Llamau</u>, <u>BBC</u>, <u>Children's</u>
 <u>Commissioner</u>)
- Availability of outdoor spaces (<u>Children's Commissioner</u>)



Resources from Tai Pawb:

Deeds not Words – a pledge to end racial inequality in housing https://www.taipawb.org/resources/deeds-not-words-pledge-to-action/

Covid resources page (including recordings of our webinars)https://www.taipawb.org/resources/the-impact-of-coronavirus-on-housing-and-diverse-communities/

Senedd, ELGC: Into Sharp Relief (Covid & Inequality Inquiry)

If your organisation needs support https://www.taipawb.org/consultancy/

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