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The Difference between Race and Ethnicity

On your Patient Registration form, you will notice blanks for **race** and **ethnicity**. This information is important for our records and may be important in determining your diagnosis, ordering labs, and gathering other health information. Below you will find definitions to help you discern between these terms.

Race: Race relates to a person's physical appearance and is usually defined by the color of the skin. It is determined biologically, with genetic traits such as hair color, eye color, and bone structure.

Ethnicity: Ethnicity relates to the cultural factors you may use to identify yourself, such as nationality, culture, ancestry, language, or beliefs.

In our office, we use the following categories to define race and ethnicity. Please take a moment to select the term that best describes you and **fill in the blanks** on the Patient Registration form.

PLEASE DO NOT WRITE ON THIS FORM

Race

Hispanic
Asian
Caucasian
Black or African American
African American
Native American
American Indian or Alaska Native
Other
Undetermined
Chinese
Filipino
Japanese
Native Hawaiian
Multiracial
Pacific Islander

Ethnicity

Hispanic or Latino
Non-Hispanic or Latino
Other or Undetermined