

Group finds gender income gap

ST. PAUL (AP) — A new report shows wide disparities still exist for women in Minnesota when it comes to income, leadership positions, economic status and health. The research by the Women's Foundation of Minnesota and the University of Minnesota's Center on Women and Public Policy found Minnesota women on average are paid \$11,000 less each year than men with the same jobs. The gap exists in every occupation, including those dominated by women, the report said. Among women of color, the disparities are more extreme, with some making 56 cents for every dollar earned by a white man. Among the occupations with the biggest wage gaps is the health care field, where women earn 62 cents on the dollar. In legal occupations, women earn 53 cents for every dollar earned by men.

