
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Office of Minority Health ~ *African & African American Health Resources*

The White House

President Obama and the African American Community <http://www.whitehouse.gov/africanamericans>

Federal Agencies/Offices

Administration for Children & Family

- **African American Healthy Marriage Initiative** <http://www.aahmi.net/>
The African American Healthy Marriage Initiative is a component of the ACF Healthy Marriage initiative. Specifically, this initiative promotes culturally competent strategies for:
 - Fostering healthy marriage and responsible fatherhood
 - Improving child well-being
 - Strengthening familiesThese targeted strategies empower families within the African American Community to maintain strong family units.

African Development Foundation

The African Development Foundation provides grants to community groups and small enterprises that benefit under-served and marginalized groups in Africa. <http://www.adf.gov/>

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

- **Minority Health** <http://www.ahrq.gov/research/minorix.htm>
AHRQ's OMH mission is to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. AHRQ has resources on minority health and since 2003 AHRQ has produced an annual Congressionally-mandated National Healthcare Disparities Report (NHDR).

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

- **Office of Minority Health & Health Disparities: *Black or African American Populations*** <http://www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/populations/REMP/black.html>
The mission is to accelerate CDC's health impact in the U.S population and to eliminate health disparities for vulnerable populations as defined by race/ethnicity, socio-economic status, geography, gender, age, disability status, risk status related to sex and gender, and among other populations identified to be at-risk for health disparities.

Center for Medicare: & Medicaid Services

- **Consumer Research: *Summary Report on the African American Medicare Population Executive Summary***. http://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Research/ConsumerResearch/downloads/02_AframEXSUM.pdf

This section contains findings and recommendations from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) ongoing consumer research effort to help the Agency, its partners, and other stakeholders better understand the information needs and preferences of consumers choosing among a variety of CMS-sponsored health care options, and to improve the way we communicate that information to them.

Department of Education

- **Federal Resource for Educational Excellence (FREE): *Ethnic Groups-African Americans*** http://www.free.ed.gov/subjects.cfm?subject_id=116&toplvl=171&res_feature_request=0
FREE makes it easier to find teaching and learning resources from the federal government. More than 1,500 federally supported teaching and learning resources are included from dozens of federal agencies.

- **Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program**

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/idadesmsi/index.html>

This program assists predominantly minority institutions in effecting long-range improvement in science and engineering education programs and increasing the flow of underrepresented ethnic minorities, particularly minority women, into science and engineering careers.

Environmental Protection Agency

- **Children's Health Protection: *Health Disparities Workshop Report and Findings*** <http://yosemite.epa.gov/ochp/ochpWeb.nsf/content/trends.htm>

The workshop was created to develop a scientific foundation to explore the conceptual issues, data needs, and policy applications with regard to the social and environmental factors used to measure and track racial, ethnic, and class disparities in environmental health

- **National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP):** <http://www.epa.gov/nscep/index.html>

- **Children's Environmental Health Disparities: Black and African American Children and Asthma**

This fact sheet focuses on relationship between environment and asthma among Black and African American children. This fact sheet also provides important actions that can be taken to protect all children.

- **Children's Environmental Health Disparities: Black and African American Children and Secondhand Smoke**

This fact sheet focuses on disparities in exposure to secondhand smoke for Black and African American children. This fact sheet also provides important actions that can be taken to protect all children

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- **Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program: *African Americans*** http://hab.hrsa.gov/livinghistory/issues/afriamerican_1.htm

African-Americans are the racial and ethnic group most disproportionately affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic. By providing culturally competent, comprehensive care the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program is committed to turning this tide.

- **Health Equity** <http://www.hrsa.gov/publichealth/index.html>
HRSA mission is to improve health and achieve health equity through access to quality services, a skilled health workforce and innovative programs.

Office of Minority Health (OMH)

OMH mission is to improve and protect the health of racial and ethnic minority populations through the development of health policies and programs that will eliminate health disparities. OMH Resource Center mission is to collect, compile and disseminate information on the health of racial and ethnic minorities in the US and its territories. Provides resources on local health clinics, consumer health materials, access to assistance programs nationwide

- **African American Profile**
<http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=3&lvlid=23>
- **Campaigns and Initiatives for African Americans**
<http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=3&lvlid=24C>
- **Colleges and Universities**
<http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=3&lvlid=25>

Office on Women's Health

- **Minority Health: African American** <http://womenshealth.gov/minority-health/african-americans/index.html>

The Office on Women's Health's (OWH) mission is to provide leadership to promote health equity for women and girls through sex/gender-specific approaches. OWH achieves its mission and vision by developing innovative programs, educating health professionals, and motivating behavior change in consumers through the dissemination of health information.

National Institute of Health (NIH)

- **National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities(NIMHD)**
<http://www.nimhd.nih.gov/>

NIMHD mission to promote minority health and to lead, coordinate, support, and assess the NIH effort to reduce and ultimately eliminate health disparities. In this effort NCMHD will conduct and support basic, clinical, social, and behavioral research, promote research infrastructure and training, foster emerging programs, disseminate information, and reach out to minority and other health disparity communities

- **Medline Plus: African American Health**
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/africanamericanhealth.html>

A full resource website providing: consumer materials, videos and multimedia resources, health locators and organizations on various health topics focusing on the African American Population.

Office for Civil Rights

OCR works to protect the civil rights of all individuals who are subject to discrimination in health and human services programs and protect the health information privacy rights of consumers.

<http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/index.html>

Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

ODPHP mission is provides actionable health and wellness information and personalized decision support for consumers to make informed choices about their health and the health of loved ones.

<http://odphp.osophs.dhhs.gov/Default.asp>

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration

- **Office of Behavioral Health Equity (OBHE): *Behavioral Health and Black/African Americans***
<http://www.samhsa.gov/obhe/african-american.aspx>

OBHE mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on populations that experience behavioral health disparities by improving access to quality services and support that enable individuals and families to thrive, participate in and contribute to health communities.

The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration

- **African American Heritage** <http://www.archives.gov/research/african-americans/>
The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is the nation's record keeper. Of all documents and materials created in the course of business conducted by the United States Federal government

THE U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

- **Africa** <http://www.usaid.gov/where-we-work/africa>
The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is the principal U.S. agency to extend assistance to countries recovering from disaster, trying to escape poverty, and engaging in democratic reforms.