



African American Disability and Health Resources



African American Advocacy Center for Persons with Disabilities (AAACPD)

<https://blackdisabilitycenter.org/>

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AAACPD believes through awareness, advocacy, and access, persons with disabilities can improve their well-being and become productive members of the community. Their services include APD Support Coordination, Employment, Living Coach, Group Homes for Adults with Disabilities, Physical and Speech Therapy.

African American Behavior Health Center of Excellence

<https://africanamericanbehavioralhealth.org/>

720 Westview Drive SW

Atlanta, GA 30310

Phone: 404-752-1016

Email: info@africanamericanbehaviorhealth.org

African American Behavior Health Center of Excellence strives to make behavioral health and health care equitable and effective for African American individuals, families, and communities. They offer interventions, treatments, and recovery support practices. They also provide training for the professional and non-professional workforce, and the system of education and technical assistance.

Association of Black Women Physicians (ABWP)

<https://www.blackwomenphysicians.org/>

4712 Admiralty Way Suite #175

Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

Phone: 424-443-9454

Email: Abwpcorrespondence@gmail.com

ABWP is a membership organization for Black women physicians and students. Some programs they offer are the Sister-to-Sister mentoring program and the Wellness Series to physicians in training and pre-medical undergraduate students. These programs are educational tools to help black women physicians serve and bring about necessary change to the overall health for underserved communities.

Atlanta Black Nurses Association (ABNA)

<https://www.atlantablacknurses.com/>

College Park, GA 30337

Phone: 404-865-1445

Email: info@atlantablacknurses.com

ABNA is a nonprofit organization committed to advocating, educating, and implementing strategies to reduce health disparities while making a significant difference in the lives of communities of color. They host numerous health fairs that focus on chronic diseases that impact African Americans, provide a mentorship program, and offer scholarships.

Black Caucus American Library Association (BCALA)

<https://www.bcala.org/>

New York, NY10159-0174

Email: info@bcala.org

The BCALA was formed to serve as an advocate for the development, promotion, and improvement of library services and resources to the nations' African American community. They also provide strong leadership for the recruitment and professional development of African American librarians.

Black, Disabled, and Proud: College Students with Disabilities

<https://www.blackdisabledandproud.org/>

Phone: 704-707-5886

Email: hbcu@ahead.org

HBCU Disability Consortium

This website for college students with disabilities was created by the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HCBU) Disability Consortium and the Association on Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD). HBCU are identifying ways to provide culturally responsible disability services and classroom instruction to Black/African American college students with disabilities on all campuses in the U.S. They offer resources, history of the community, and other resources for family members who are affected by these disabilities.

Black Medical Students Association (BMSA)

<https://bacasu.weebly.com/>

1290 S. Normal Avenue

Arizona State University

Memorial Union-3rd Floor

Suite 342

Tempe, AZ 85281

Phone: 480-965-9752

Email: bacasu94@gmail.com

BMSA promotes health and culture awareness and provides resources that will increase the retention rate of pre-medical, health, and science students with a primary focus on black students.

Black Veterans Project (BVP)

<https://www.blackveteransproject.org/>

Email: info@blackveteransproject.org

BVP is a movement for racial inclusion and justice across the United States military while ensuring the welfare of all Black veterans who've served. The BVP has three main focuses which are veteran advocacy, public education, and to further their research to amplify the unique barriers faced by Black veterans of all generations.

CDC: African American Health

<https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/aahealth/index.html>

Center for African American Health

<https://caahealth.org/>

3350 Hudson Street

Denver, CO 80207

Phone: 303-355-3423

Email: info@caahealth.org

The Center for African American Health is dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of infants, seniors, and everyone in between by providing culturally sensitive health education and health promotion programs. Some of the programs they offer are Journey to Wellness, Strengthening Families Program, Mental Health First Aid for Youth and Adults, Faith and Health Initiative, etc.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS): African American Partners

<https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Outreach/Partnerships/AfricanAmerican>

The Partner Relations Group (PRG) is working towards the health prosperity of the African American Community through healthcare efforts with national and local organizations.

Child Welfare Information Gateway

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/diverse-populations/africanamerican/>

The link above gives resources to support child welfare professionals in working with African American children, youth, and families, including state and local.

Easter Seals: African American Health

<https://www.easterseals.com/ways-to-give/black-child-fund.html>

The Easter Seals Black Child Fund

141 W Jackson Blvd., 1400A

Chicago, IL 60604

Phone: 312-726-6200

Toll-free: 800-221-6827

Email: info@easterseals.com

Easter Seals ensures that all people, no matter what background or ability, are 100% included and 100% empowered. Some programs they offer are occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, recreational therapy, and assistive technology. They also established The Black Child Fund which helps to end racial disparities in healthcare, childcare, and education faced by Black children early and throughout life. Through this fund they service several training courses to help serve black students with disabilities and their families.

Executive Leadership Council (ELC): The Power of Inclusive Leadership

<https://www.elcinfo.com/>

1301 K Street, NW

Suite 210 West

Washington, DC 20005

Phone: 202-655-2952

The ELC is a national organization that opens channels of opportunity for the development of Black executives to positively impact business and their communities. They also offer programs such as a leadership development program, ELC community impact grants, and Black entrepreneurship support. The ELC also has several programs designed specifically for Black women. They provide programs such as The Power of Women at Work (POWW), Women's Leadership Forum (WLF), and Ann Fudge scholarship program. See the link below for more information for Black women.

<https://www.elcinfo.com/what-we-do/for-black-women/>

Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA)

<https://www.ghsa.org/resources/Analysis-of-Traffic-Fatalities-by-Race-and-Ethnicity21>

This fact sheet discusses the traffic crash fatalities disproportionately affecting Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC). It also identifies actions that states and communities can undertake when considering traffic enforcement, safety education and community outreach to better serve BIPOC.

Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF): Health Coverage by Race and Ethnicity, 2010-2019.

<https://www.kff.org/racial-equity-and-health-policy/issue-brief/health-coverage-by-race-and-ethnicity/>

This article provides African Americans and other minorities information about health coverage by race and ethnicity.

MedlinePlus: Black and African American Health

<https://medlineplus.gov/blackandafricanamericanhealth.html>

This site has links to health-related resources for African Americans including resources related to genetics, environmental factors, access to care, and cultural factors.

National Association of Minority Veterans of America (NAMVA)

<https://namvetsamerica.org/>

Phone: 866-626-8387

Email: INFO@NAMVETSAMERICA.ORG

NAMVA is the leading resource of information, education, recognition, support, connection, and advocacy for America's 5.5 million veterans of color. They offer employment opportunities, benefits, local resources, and business opportunities.

National Black Nurses Association (NBNA)

<https://www.nbna.org/>

8630 Fenton Street, #910

Silver Spring, MD 20910

Phone: 301-589-3200

Email: info@nbna.org

NBNA is a nonprofit organization that provides support for Black nurses and ensures the highest quality of healthcare for patients of color. They offer educational programs and

scholarships. They have collaborations with private and public agencies that share common concerns and hosts an annual National Institute and Conference that features the most prominent speakers in nursing and health care.

National Caucus and Center on Black Aging, Inc. (NCBA)

<https://ncba-aging.org/>

1220 L Street NW, Suite 800

Washington, DC 20005

Phone: 202-637-8400

NCBA is dedicated to improving low-income aging issues impacting African Americans aged 50 & over. They offer programs such as the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), Senior Environmental Employment Program (SEE), Health & wellness program, and affordable housing.

National Center on Disability and Journalism

<https://ncdj.org/blog/2021/09/african-americans-with-disabilities-overlooked/>

This publication provides an overview on how poverty, education, employment, and health has affected African Americans with disabilities. It also provides resources for different organizations that can help improve people with disabilities' lives.

National Center on Elder Abuse: Mistreatment of African American Elders

[https://ncea.acl.gov/NCEA/media/publications/Mistreatment-of-African-American-Elders-\(2016\).pdf](https://ncea.acl.gov/NCEA/media/publications/Mistreatment-of-African-American-Elders-(2016).pdf)

These resources can assist health care providers, social service, and law enforcement agencies working with African American elders and their families.

National Committee to Preserve Social Security & Medicare: African Americans and Medicare

<https://www.ncpssm.org/documents/medicare-policy-papers/medicare-medicaid-important-african-americans/>

Article giving information about the value of Medicare to African Americans.

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute: Sickle Cell Disease Research, Programs, and Progress

<https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health-topics/education-and-awareness/sickle-cell>

Sickle cell disease affect approximately 100,000 Americans, many of whom are African Americans.

National Institute for African American Health (NIAAH)

<https://www.niaah.org/>

5239 Wilson Mills Road

Richmond Hts, OH 44143

Phone: 216-454-2630

Email: info@niaah.org

NIAAH is a non-profit organization whose goal is to improve the lifestyle of African Americans by providing trusted sources of health information tailored to the needs of the community. Some resources they offer are mental health resources, certified healthcare providers, patient advocacy, and educational support.

National Medical Association (NMA)

<https://www.nmanet.org/>

8403 Colesville Road, Suite 820

Silver Spring, MD 20910

Phone: 202-347-1895

NMA is the collective voice of African American physicians and their patients in the United States. NMA is committed to improving the quality of health among minorities and disadvantaged people through its health education, advocacy, research, and partnerships with federal and private agencies. To further showcase their commitment to increasing diversity within the medical field, they also provide students with thousands of dollars' worth of scholarships and benefits.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society: MS in the Black Community

<https://www.nationalmssociety.org/What-is-MS/Who-Gets-MS/MS-in-the-Black-Community>

Phone: 1-800-344-4867

The link above gives resources for the Black community who are diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. New research shows that more Black people are diagnosed with MS than previously thought and that they may have different symptoms.

Pfizer: Health Disparities Among African Americans

https://www.pfizer.com/news/articles/health_disparities_among_african_americans

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

<https://www.samhsa.gov/behavioral-health-equity/black-african-american>

The link above include national survey, reports, agency and federal initiatives, and related behavior health resources for the Black/African American population.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Minority Health (OMH): Profile Black/African Americans

<https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?lvl=3&lvlid=61>

OMH offers data to educate Black/African Americans about their health which includes information about stroke, diabetes, hepatitis, mental & behavior health, etc.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): Blacks in Government (BIG)

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/administration/admabout/diversity_inclusion/hud_council/big

BIG's purpose is to be an advocate of equal opportunity to African American's in government; local, state, and federal sectors. They also offer programs to enhance ethnic pride and education opportunities for all government workers.

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