COVID-19 and Black Communities at Duke
Curated Resources

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Duke Coronavirus Response website
https://coronavirus.duke.edu

Ways to Engage During COVID-19 – Duke Office of Civic Engagement
https://civic.duke.edu/ways-to-engage-during-covid-19/

As the nation’s health protection agency, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) saves lives and protects people from health threats... CDC conducts critical science and provides health information that protects our nation against expensive and dangerous health threats, and responds when these arise.

Work-in-progress by Prof. Ruha Benjamin. Focuses on understanding Blackness during this pandemic. [You have the option to listen to her presentation & view slides or read transcript.]

NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation’s largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.
https://www.nami.org/covid-19-guide
Mental Health America (MHA) is the nation’s leading community-based nonprofit dedicated to addressing the needs of those living with mental illness and promoting the overall mental health of all Americans. [https://www.mhanational.org/issues/black-african-american-communities-and-mental-health](https://www.mhanational.org/issues/black-african-american-communities-and-mental-health)

The National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) is a nonprofit membership association that provides services to more than 1,900 schools and associations of schools in the United States and abroad, including more than 1,600 independent private K-12 schools in the U.S. Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resources: Student Health and Well-Being and the Intersection of Race, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion [https://www.nais.org/articles/pages/coronavirus-covid-19-resources-student-health-and-well-being-race-equity-diversity-inclusion](https://www.nais.org/articles/pages/coronavirus-covid-19-resources-student-health-and-well-being-race-equity-diversity-inclusion)


PolicyLink is a national research and action institute advancing racial and economic equity by Lifting Up What Works.® [https://www.policyleak.org/covid19-and-race](https://www.policyleak.org/covid19-and-race)

COVID-19 Racial Equity & Social Justice list includes information that we hope will help communities and activists as they work to understand and respond to the moment and for the long haul. [https://www.racialequitytools.org/fundamentals/resource-lists/resources-addressing-covid-19-with-racial-equity-lens](https://www.racialequitytools.org/fundamentals/resource-lists/resources-addressing-covid-19-with-racial-equity-lens)

The African American Policy Forum (AAPF) is an innovative think tank that connects academics, activists and policy-makers to promote efforts to dismantle structural inequality. Moderated by Kimberlé Crenshaw, AAPF’s “Under The Blacklight” series seeks to interrupt the narratives, political decisions, and histories that serve as the conditions of possibility for COVID-19’s destruction. [https://aapf.org/aapfcovid](https://aapf.org/aapfcovid) (search past events for informative panels with a variety of experts)

The National Medical Association (NMA) is the collective voice of African American physicians and the leading force for parity and justice in medicine and the elimination of disparities in health. [https://www.nmanet.org/page/COVID-19-Resources](https://www.nmanet.org/page/COVID-19-Resources)
Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the **AMA (American Medical Association)** is carefully compiling critical health equity resources from across the web to shine a light on the structural issues that contribute to and could exacerbate already existing inequities.  

The mission of the **National Collaborative for Health Equity** is to promote health equity by harnessing data, developing leaders, and catalyzing partnerships across the many different sectors that share responsibility for creating a more equitable and just society.  
https://www.nationalcollaborative.org/covid-19

The **COVID Racial Data Tracker** tracks this inequity by collecting, publishing, and analyzing racial data on the pandemic from across the United States.  
https://covidtracking.com/race

The mission of the **National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)** is to secure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate race-based discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all persons.  
https://naacp.org/coronavirus/  

The **Bridgespan Group** is a global nonprofit organization that collaborates with mission-driven leaders, organizations, philanthropists, and investors to break cycles of poverty and dramatically improve the quality of life for those in need. This resource collection offers guidance to nonprofits, philanthropists, and impact investors on navigating the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis and the expected economic downturn.  

**Nonprofit Quarterly (NPQ)** uses a range of media channels to help advance critical conversations that can refine nonprofit and social movement policy and practice.  

**Education Trust** is a national nonprofit that works to close opportunity gaps that disproportionately affect students of color and students from low-income families.  
https://edtrust.org/covid-19-impact-on-education-equity-resources-responding/

**COLORLINES** is a daily news site where race matters. [curated collection of articles]  
https://www.colorlines.com/tags/covid-19
Medium – curated platform featuring compelling information on current issues from independent voices.  
https://medium.com/topic/coronavirus

https://zora.medium.com/tagged/covid19

Scrutiny of Social-Distance Policing as 35 of 40 Arrested Are Black, New York Times article 

How COVID-19 Is Shining the Light On Institutionalized Racism – Upcoming Panel (May 28) with Suggested Donation  

Black People Were Stressed Before The Coronavirus — Now More Than Ever We Need To Ask For Help, The Undefeated article  
https://theundefeated.com/features/black-people-were-stressed-before-the-coronavirus-now-more-than-ever-we-need-to-ask-for-help/

Mental Health Month Takes on New Meaning for Black America Amid Covid-19, Black Enterprise article  

The Steve Fund is the nation’s only organization focused on supporting the mental health and emotional well-being of young people of color.  
https://www.stevefund.org

Follow @loveislouder for tips, tools and resources for taking care of our physical and mental health, and supporting each other during this time of uncertainty.  
https://www.loveislouder.org

Listings of African American health websites and organizations  
https://www.blacknews.com/directory/black_african_american_health.shtml

Liberate (APP) - Liberate is the #1 meditation app for the Black, Indigenous, and People of Color community.  
https://liberatemeditation.com

Black Zen - BLACK ZEN is a movement dedicated to improving the health and well-being of black and brown communities.  
https://www.blackzen.co