

AMA and Center for Health Equity resources on COVID-19

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This article is part of a series of COVID-19 resources on health equity.

At the AMA's Center for Health Equity, we believe that health equity is achieved when we live in a nation where all people live in thriving communities, where resources work well, systems are equitable and create no harm, and everyone has power to achieve optimal health; and all physicians are equipped with the consciousness, tools and resources to confront inequities as well embed and advance equity within and across all aspects of the health care system.

In order to achieve health equity, we must strengthen, amplify, and sustain work to eliminate health inequities—improving health outcomes and closing disparities gaps—which are rooted in historical and contemporary injustices and discrimination.

In support of AMA's mission to advance health equity, we hope that these resources and tools will educate, empower and inform physicians as well as advance action towards eliminating health inequities nationally and locally.

Recent AMA statements, policies and press releases

Top physician orgs urge COVID-19 mortality data by race, ethnicity

AMA press release, April 8, 2020

AMA warns against racism, xenophobia amid COVID-19

AMA press release, May 4, 2020

AMA statement on new FDA guidelines for MSM blood donation

AMA statement, April 2, 2020

AMA Board of Trustees pledges action against racism, police brutality

AMA statement, June 7, 2020

AMA opposes effort to allow discrimination against patients

AMA statement, June 12, 2020

Letter to HHS on COVID-19 relief needed for American Indians and Alaska Natives

AMA correspondence, May 27, 2020

Testimony re: Health and wealth Inequality in America: How COVID-19 makes clear the need for change

AMA correspondence, June 23, 2020

Letter in support of H.R. 6585, “Equitable Data Collection and Disclosure on COVID-19 Act.”

AMA correspondence, July 2, 2020

Police brutality must stop

AMA Leadership Viewpoint, May 29, 2020

AMA original video and podcast series on health equity

Prioritizing Equity series

Examines how health care equity determines care during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. Subscribe to AMA's YouTube channel to watch the latest videos.

Tribute to the Medical School Class of 2020

AMA special presentation, May 20, 2020

AMA experts discuss the urgency of the continuing PPE shortage

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, March 25, 2020

Leveraging social media to spread critical COVID-19 science

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, March 31, 2020

Ethical considerations doctors face during COVID-19

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, April 2, 2020

Experts explore health equity within the COVID-19 pandemic

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, April 6, 2020

How the pandemic amplified disparities within health care

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, April 21, 2020

The pandemic's impact on the Native American population

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, April 30, 2020

The impact of COVID-19 on the nation's incarceration system

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, May 15, 2020

How COVID-19 has amplified LGBTQ health care inequities

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, May 19, 2020

Obstacles to providing care for underserved communities

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, May 27, 2020

How the pandemic has impacted Native American communities

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, June 10, 2020

How gender affirming surgeries have been impacted by the pandemic

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, June 15, 2020

The pandemic's impact on Latinx community

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, June 19, 2020

How cultural factors, health disparities impact transmission

AMA COVID-19 daily video updates, June 22, 2020

U.S. Census 101 for Physicians, Part I

AMA Moving Medicine podcast, April 22, 2020

U.S. Census 101 for Physicians, Part II

AMA Moving Medicine podcast, April 29, 2020

Featured AMA Center for Health Equity media

Women's March/Moms Rising: Talking to your kids about coronavirus

Women's March, March 17, 2020

ABA Section of Civil Rights and Social Justice: Implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on African Americans and communities of color

ABA Section of Civil Rights and Social Justice, April 2, 2020

Oprah Talks COVID-19 season 1, episode 13: The deadly impact on Black America

Oprah Talks COVID-19, April 14, 2020

Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller's town hall: Our fight against COVID-19 in the Southland – Focus on health equity

Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller, April 16, 2020

Epidemic season 1, episode 13: A Black plague

EPIDEMIC podcast with Celine Gounder, MD and Ronald Klain, April 21, 2020

**Black AZ COVID-19 surviving the pandemic webinar, part 2:
Public health, equity, and the new era of virtual physician care**

Black AZ COVID-19 Task Force, April 24, 2020

**NewsOne x The Brotherhood/Sister Sol: #COVID19 conversation
on the intersection of race, art, social justice, & medicine**

NewsOne x The Brotherhood/Sister Sol, May 13, 2020

Find more COVID-19 health equity resources

Visit the COVID-19 health equity resources overview page or view featured topics for more resources:

- | Health literacy resources on inequities & for non-English speakers
- | The role of data collection in the COVID-19 pandemic
- | Impact of COVID-19 on minoritized and marginalized communities
- | COVID-19 FAQs: Health equity in a pandemic
- | States tracking COVID-19 race and ethnicity data