

Protecting Against COVID-19 Minority Health Strike Force

Included below is the member of the Minority Health Strike Force who is charged with assisting those who may be disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. Updated member list as of May 27, 2020. To contact the Minority Health Strike Force email minorityhealth@odh.ohio.gov.

Name	Organization & Title
Director Alisha Nelson (Co-Chair)	Office of Governor Mike DeWine – RecoveryOhio, Director
Director Ursel McElroy (Co-Chair)	Ohio Department of Aging, Director
Ronald C. Todd II (Community Relations Chair)	Office of Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Minority Liaison
Healthcare Subcommittee	
Charleta B. Tavares (Subcommittee Chair)	PrimaryOne Health, Chief Executive Officer
Anthony Armstrong, MD	Ohio State Medical Association, President
Andrew Jackson	Elson International, Inc., Owner and CEO
Chezre Willoughby	Ohio Department of Medicaid
David Ellsworth	Ohio Department of Health
Donna James	Lardon & Associates, Managing Director - Center for Healthy Families, Founder
Lolita McDavid, MD, MPA	Child Advocacy & Protection at Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital
Tiffany Huber	Ohio Department of Health
Traci Bell-Thomas	Ohio Department of Medicaid
Education and Outreach Subcommittee	
Charles Modlin, MD, MBA, FACS (Subcommittee Chair)	Cleveland Clinic
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Cora Munoz, Ph.D., RN	Ohio Asian American Health Coalition
Dawn Thomas	Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

Guadalupe A. Velasquez	Welcome City, Managing Director
Jamie Carmichael	Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Pastor John Coats	Columbus NAACP, 2nd Vice President
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Lilleana Cavanaugh	Ohio Latino Affairs Commission, Executive Director
Robert Jennings	National Public Health Information Coalition, Executive Director
Ron Ponder	Pondersystem Media and Marketing, Owner and CEO
Tracee Garrett	Global Insight Productions, President and CEO
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Resources Subcommittee	
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Alisia Clark	Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Christopher Smitherman	City of Cincinnati, Vice Mayor
Earnika Pitts	Ohio Department of Medicaid
Representative Emilia Strong Sykes	Ohio House of Representatives, Minority Leader, 34 th District
Mayor Jamael Tito Brown	City of Youngstown
Joseph Hill	Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Congresswoman Joyce Beatty	U.S. House of Representatives, Ohio 3 rd Congressional District
Pastor Jeffrey Dennis	Minority Behavioral Health Group
Michael B. Colman	Ice Miller Legal Counsel, Partner-in-Charge of Government Law
Michele Reynolds, Ph.D.	Governor's Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives, Director
Stephen Massey, MS	Trauma Recovery Center, Chief Operating Officer, RecoveryOhio Advisory Council Member
Thomas Banks	IAP Government Services Group, President and CEO

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Tiffany Bryant	Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
Bishop Timothy J. Clarke	First Church, Senior Pastor
Data and Research Subcommittee	
Melba Moore, Ph.D., MS, CPHA (Subcommittee Chair)	City of Cincinnati, Health Commissioner
Annette Chambers-Smith	Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections
Alisha Brown	Ohio Department of Medicaid
Angela C. Dawson, MS, MRC, LPC	Ohio Commission on Minority Health, Executive Director
Deena J. Chisholm, Ph.D.	Center for Innovation in Pediatric Practice at the Abigail Wexner Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital, Director
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Reina Sims	Ohio Commission on Minority Health
Renee Mahaffey Harris	Closing The Health Gap, President and CEO
Renee Tolliver	Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Ronnie Dunn, Ph.D.	Cleveland State University, Interim Chief Diversity Officer, Associate Professor

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For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

If you or a loved one are experiencing anxiety related to the coronavirus pandemic, help is available. Call the Disaster Distress Helpline at 1-800-985-5990 (1-800-846-8517 TTY); connect with a trained counselor through the Ohio Crisis Text Line by texting the keyword "4HOPE" to 741 741; or call the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services help line at 1-877-275-6364 to find resources in your community.

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Protect yourself and others from
COVID-19 by taking these precautions.

PREVENTION

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STAY HOME



PRACTICE
SOCIAL
DISTANCING



GET ADEQUATE SLEEP
AND EAT WELL-
BALANCED
MEALS



WASH HANDS OFTEN
WITH WATER AND SOAP
(20 SECONDS
OR LONGER)



DRY HANDS WITH
A CLEAN TOWEL
OR AIR DRY
YOUR HANDS



COVER YOUR MOUTH
WITH A TISSUE OR
SLEEVE WHEN
COUGHING OR SNEEZING



AVOID TOUCHING
YOUR EYES, NOSE,
OR MOUTH WITH
UNWASHED HANDS
OR AFTER
TOUCHING SURFACES



CLEAN AND DISINFECT
"HIGH-TOUCH"
SURFACES OFTEN



CALL BEFORE VISITING
YOUR DOCTOR



PRACTICE GOOD
HYGIENE HABITS

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