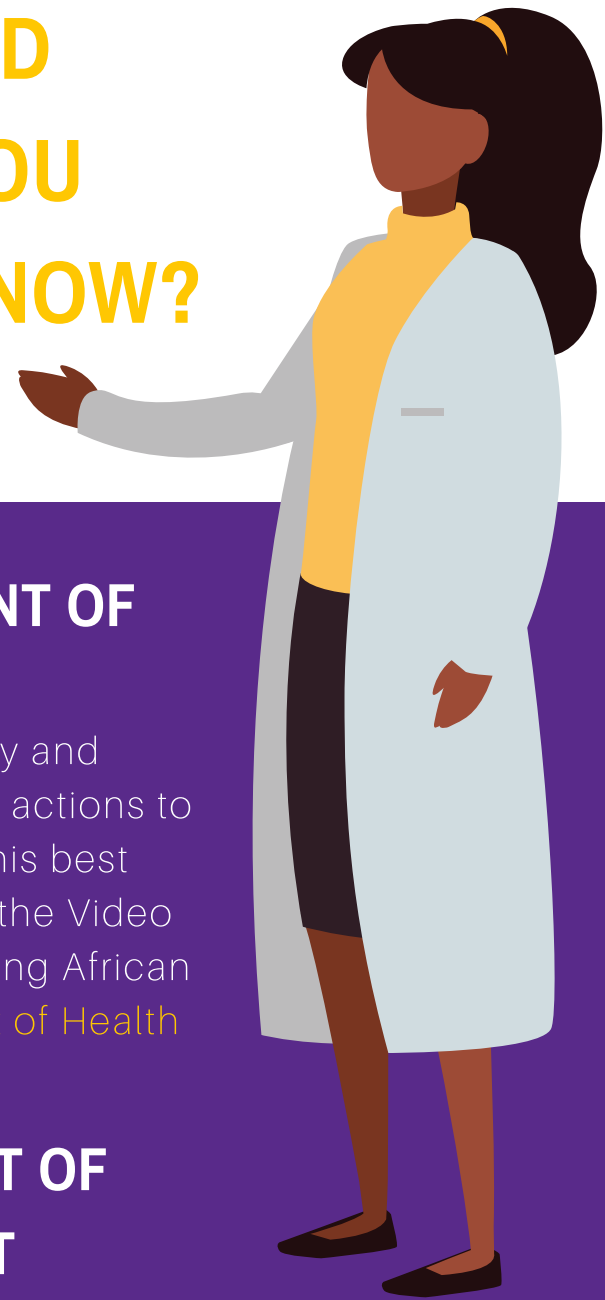




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Diversity Affairs

BRODY FACULTY AND NC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DISCUSS COVID-19

Dr. Cedric Bright, Interim Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion, and Professor of Internal Medicine, shares actions to decrease and stop the spread of COVID-19. One of his best pieces of advice are to stay home if you can. Watch the Video [Here](#), and [Learn More](#) about why COVID-19 is affecting African Americans at disproportionate rates: [NC Department of Health and Human Services](#)

SNMA STRONGLY SUPPORTS NO COST OF COVID-19 TESTING AND MANAGEMENT

"...patients marginalized by race/ethnicity, income status, and/or immigration status will precipitously be burdened by the healthcare requirements and resulting financial consequences of the current COVID-19 pandemic if the US government and healthcare system does not take immediate action to protect them." [Read More Here](#): [The Student National Medical Association](#)

RESOURCES FOR THE SPANISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITY

The Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA) creates online resources for the spanish-speaking community. [Read More Here](#) and [Print Documents in Spanish](#): [The Latino Medical Student Association](#)



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DISTINCT NEEDS AND VULNERABILITIES FOR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

According to The Root, "The inequality deeply embedded in the American landscape guarantees the coronavirus will hit some communities much harder

than others." Andre Perry, a renowned expert, researcher, and columnist on race and structural inequality; states, "...it is undoubtedly true that the virus doesn't discriminate—but our country's policies do." According to The Root, "Even if spared by the coronavirus, some marginalized communities may not escape the health hazards in their own homes." Read More Here: [The Root](#)

PANDEMIC EXACERBATES LONGSTANDING INEQUITIES IN AMERICAN SOCIETY

Social and economic inequities lead to higher rates of African Americans contracting the coronavirus, a range of experts say; as opposed to any genetic or biological predisposition. Read More Here: [The Harvard Gazette](#)

THE CDC RECOMMENDS WEARING MASKS IN PUBLIC, BUT THIS COULD PROVE DANGEROUS FOR PEOPLE OF COLOR

Racial profiling is still a very real issue in American society, thus some African Americans have made the conscious decision not to wear homemade face masks, coverings and bandannas in public. An economic professor at Ohio State University stated, "We have a lot of examples of the presumed criminality of black men in general;" thus to perpetuate this stigma by requiring the Black community to wear masks in public is a concern. Read More Here: [CNN](#)