

Michigan's Coronavirus Task Force on Racial Disparities  
YTD Accomplishments  
6/1/20

- Racial Disparities Executive Order Issued
- Launch Strategic Communications Plan to Communities of Color
- Guidance Letter Issued to Health Clinicians and Providers On Importance of Avoiding Implicit Bias
- Guidance Letter Issued by Dept. of Civil Rights to Law Enforcement to Avoid Discriminatory Practice of Targeting Black Citizens Wearing Masks in Compliance with EO
- Testing Protocol Adjusted to Include Testing All Household Members When Member Test's Positive. Previously tests weren't available to asymptomatic citizens. Testing all household members is a crucial step to containing the spread of the virus within a family.
- Vulnerable Communities of Color Identified for Increased Access to Testing Using Data Driven Strategy. Brick and mortar testing sites will be added to high risk communities/zip codes of color including 7 in Detroit, 2 in Flint, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, and Muskegon.
- Secured Support of Community Partners In Support of Community Testing Deployment. Partners include in Detroit WC3, Triumph Church, Hartford Memorial Baptist Church, The Open Door Church of God In Christ, Historic King Solomon Baptist Church, and Southwestern Church of God in Christ. Flint includes Beecher High School, Word of Life Christian Church, and Bergson Field house.
- Provision of Follow Up Care to Support Quarantine. Resources will be provided to those in need and required to quarantine, including ppe, food boxes, home goods/hygiene product boxes.

**Near Completion**

- Isolation Hotel Pilot. African Americans and members of communities of color often face challenges to home isolation crowded quarters resulting in further infection spread to other family members. Hotel rooms have been secured to provide an alternative to those in need
- Community Partner Testing Sites Accessible to Differently Abled. Drive focus on obtaining commitments and action plans to eliminate barriers to accessibility in each of our community testing sites.
- Expand Mobile Testing. Expansion of the Wayne State Physicians mobile test pilot provides greater flexibility to effectively reach members of high risk communities.
- Deploy Navigator Services to Test Sites. Deploying navigators and/or access to same at testing sites that serve high risk communities is necessary to increase Medicaid enrollments and primary care relationships toward managing the underlying conditions that create vulnerability for high risk communities.