

**GEORGIA COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER  
ADVOCACY COALITION**  
**WE STAND IN SOLIDARITY  
WITH BLACK LIVES MATTER!**



In his wisdom, Martin Luther King, Jr. stated that “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”

As a coalition of advocates and healthcare professionals addressing social determinants of health, the Georgia Community Health Worker Advocacy Coalition takes the following position as it relates to racism, police brutality, oppression, suppression of human dignity, health inequities, discrimination, and violence against people of color:

We recognize that the intersection of the SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) pandemic and the recent murders of Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, and Ahmaud Arbery have laid bare the injustices and indignities that people of color suffer routinely. We must be a part of the movement to deliberately name racist practices where they exist, and work to make changes whenever and wherever possible.

We stand with those who are in direct opposition to the atrocities suffered by people of color as a result of police brutality, discrimination, racism, judicial inequality, and the lack of true justice.

We denounce despotism and the systemic racism that continues to plague our country as well as the bias embedded in the judicial, healthcare, financial, and educational systems. We recognize and are keenly aware that discriminatory policies and practices disparately impact minorities. As stakeholders seeking to implement change, we believe it is everyone’s responsibility to work toward creating a culture that values equity, inclusion, and justice for all.

As healthcare advocates and professionals, we recommit to accelerating our efforts to increase equity and inclusion across all parts of healthcare service delivery. We endeavor to connect Georgians to services that empower individuals and communities to be strong and self-sufficient while strongly advocating for fairness and equity across human systems.



If you are interested in some resources to learn more about racism and anti-racism in the U.S. and in health and medicine, click [here](#).

Visit [here](#) to learn about the Georgia Community Health Worker Advocacy Coalition and how to get involved!