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### SOUTHERN ALLIANCE 2.0 PROJECT GOAL

The Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health proposes to 1) leverage and expand existing relationships; 2) create an information hub to provide accurate information and address misinformation, and 3) utilize the existing community health worker network to support linkage to community resources related to COVID-19.

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# INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF MINORITY HEALTH

## MISSION

The Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health was established in 2019 to reduce health disparities among disadvantaged and underserved minority populations in Mississippi through the establishment of community-based partnerships that utilize the health equity framework as the foundation for the development of culturally appropriate solutions.

## VISION

To improve health outcomes in vulnerable, underserved, disadvantaged minority in Mississippi.

## PROJECT SUMMARY

The pandemic has affected people worldwide and these populations may require additional resources and consideration in treatment of their mental health given the struggles they may face secondary to decreased resources, health care access, increased mortality and morbidity, lifestyle disturbances at crucial developmental times, and a host of other factors contributing to an increased vulnerability to the effects of the virus. The COVID-19 pandemic has brought social and racial injustice and inequity to the forefront of public health. It has highlighted that health equity is still not a reality as COVID-19 has unequally affected many racial and ethnic minority groups, putting them more at risk of getting sick and dying from COVID-19.