

## LEARN ABOUT GENETIC DISEASES

Do you know what diseases disproportionately impact the Black community?

According to Pfizer compared to their white counterparts **the Black community can be found at a disadvantage** throughout the health care system when combating most diseases.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) says “**African Americans are more likely to die at early ages for all causes**, as young African Americans are living with diseases that are typically more common at older ages for other races.

**Heart Disease** African Americans are **30%** more likely to die from heart disease.

**Stroke** African Americans are **twice as likely** to have a stroke.

**Lung Cancer** African Americans are **16%** less likely to survive five years.

**Asthma** African Americans are **30%** more likely to have asthma.

**Influenza** African Americans are **1.5-2.4 times** more likely to be hospitalized.

**Sickle Cell 1 in 13** African Americans are born with the sickle cell trait (SCT).

**Colorectal Cancer** African Americans are **20%** more likely to have colorectal cancer.

**HIV/AIDS** African Americans account for **40%** of all HIV cases in the USA.

**High Blood Pressure** over **40%** of African Americans have high blood pressure.

**Diabetes** African Americans are nearly **twice as likely** to develop type 2 diabetes.

**Stroke** African Americans are **50%** more likely to suffer from a stroke.

**Schizophrenia** African Americans are **2.4 times more likely** to be diagnosed with schizophrenia.

**Renal Disease** African Americans are **3-4 times more likely** to develop kidney failure.

**Lupus** is a **top 10 cause of death** for African American women ages 15-44.

**Prostate Cancer 1 in every 6** African American men will develop prostate cancer.