



## The Research Council for People of African Descent (RCPAD)

“Blackness is not homogenous construct.

We are cultures within a culture; and societies within a society”

Dwight Townsend

# RCPAD Vision Statement

To provide health research that informs policy, practice and the lived experienced of people across the African Diaspora .

## About US

- The Council is comprised of a multidisciplinary team, including, but not limited to academics, physicians, clinicians; social, economic, and political scientists, working to achieve the organization's mission of producing health and social research that inform both policy and practice in Canada.

## RCPAD Goals

- To establish a research agenda, priorities, strategic plan, members and governance model, academic, community engagement and alignment.
- To establish and approve research projects, programs and partnerships.
- In consultation with key stakeholders, members and partner organizations establish milestones, work-plans and set standards, and performance measures.

# Why RCPAD?

## Background

- The UN General Assembly proclaimed 2015-2024 as the International Decade for People of African Descent citing the need to strengthen national, regional and international cooperation in relation to the full enjoyment of economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights by people of African descent, and their full and equal participation in all aspects of society.
- Without Health , this is not possible?

# Why RCPAD?

- One voice.
- Evidence informed research and;
- To address the special and unique health and social population needs based on disproportionality, marginality, and historical disenfranchisement of People within the African diaspora in Canada.

# Guiding Principles

- Health
- Anti-Black Racism
- Africentricity
- Culture
- Diversity
- Inclusion



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