

Elnora P. Hamb Health Initiative Recommendation

- A. **Purpose:** To train, educate and serve as an advocate for the African American community by promoting holistic health and wellness encompassing mind, body, spirit and community.
- B. Goal:**
- a. Strengthen the local church to be a beacon to change health behavior in our churches, our members and our communities.
 - b. Continue in partnership with the Balm in Gilead.
- C. Structure**
- a. The Commission shall be composed of a National Health Coordinator who is appointed by the Council President and Episcopal District Coordinators appointed by the Bishop of the Episcopal District. Coordinators should have an appreciation and interest in promoting the Health of all members and the community.
 - b. **Duties of the National Health Coordinator:**
 - i. Design and coordinate the activities of Episcopal Health Coordinators that will build the capacity and support the engagement of local churches in developing an effective and appropriate response to health-related issues within their congregations and communities.
 - ii. Coordinate, monitor and assess activities of Episcopal Health Coordinators.
 - iii. Disseminate and coordinate the exchange of health-related information.
 - iv. Participate in meetings and trainings to receive technical support to coordinate strategic planning, training, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of health education and service intervention programs within local congregation
 - c. **Duties of the Episcopal District Health Coordinator:**
 - i. Coordinate and implement an Episcopal District response that will build the capacity and support the engagement of local churches in developing an effective and appropriate response to health-related issues within their congregations and communities.
 - ii. Develop or coordinate ongoing technical support and training in response to the needs of local churches.

- iii. Monitor the development, implementation and progress of Health ministries within local churches.
- iv. Participate in capacity development and leadership training opportunities.