

# If you care about **HEALTH CARE**

## your **VOTE MATTERS!**

### **2X**

### **MORE LIKELY TO DEVELOP DIABETES**

Black/African American men and women in Iowa have rates of diabetes 2 or more times those of whites. Rates for Hispanic men and women are also high compared to white Iowans.



### **HIGHER STROKE RISK**



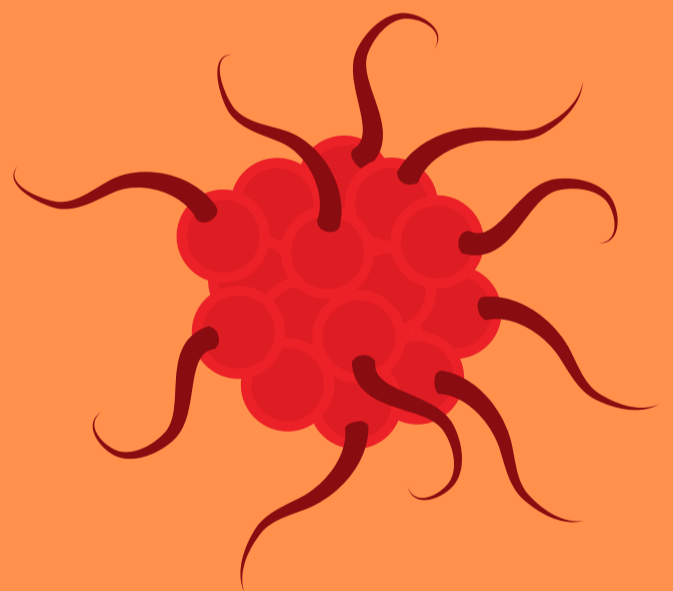
### **66%**

Black/African American men have a 66% higher stroke death rate than white men in Iowa. Black/African American women have a 39% higher rate than white women in Iowa.

### **10%**

### **MORE LIKELY TO DEVELOP CANCER**

Black/African Americans are diagnosed with cancer at a 10% higher rate than whites and die from cancer at rates nearly 1.5 times that of white Iowans. Black/African Americans die at higher rates than any other racial group in Iowa. American Indians/Alaska Natives have the highest rates of cancer incidence in Iowa.



### **HEALTH CARE REFORM**



Racial and ethnic minorities are less likely to get the preventative care they need to stay healthy, more likely to suffer from serious illnesses, and when they do get sick, are less likely to have access to quality health care. Our state and federal governments can enact policies to bring down health care costs, invest in prevention and wellness, support improvements in primary care, and increase access to health and social services.

Source: Iowa Dept. of Public Health, "Data Collection of Chronic Diseases in Multicultural Groups of Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Iowa"

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