

# Evaluation

An adequate evaluation of a project this size dealing with an ever-changing virus has to be clearly approached with the correct evaluation tools. In this project, we plan to utilize an interdisciplinary approach in creating the proper evaluation tools to assess the effectiveness of the National Black Church Initiative Health Emergency Declaration (HED) Health Model to assess whether or not this is the right approach and can we be effective?

Evaluation a critical appraisal or assessment; a judgment of the value, worth, character, or effectiveness of something; measurement of progress. A broad view of evaluation in health care includes three approaches, directed toward structure, process, and outcome, depending on the focus of evaluation and the criteria or standards being used.

Over the past twenty-five years the HED Health Model has proven to be a highly effective health model in motivating, encouraging and helpful to NBCI 27.7 million churchgoers in adopting a more healthy lifestyle through behavior change. It is through HED moral persuasion, health education promotion, health literature, social media tactic and cultural competency educators that we have been able to achieve consistent positive results out of our membership that has turned into permanent healthy habits-this is why we must continue to preach washing your hand, wearing your mask, and keep a clear social distance in and out of the worship experience.

NBCI is presently working on a handbook for the church on how to conduct COVID-19 free religious services. NBCI is working with Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security.

Because of the changing nature of the coronavirus and its deadly application upon the weak, the dual diagnosed, the old, the poverty-stricken, and those who have a compromised immune system, it is virtually impossible to come up with the adequate tools and measurements of an evaluation system that will get at the underlining issues of this problem. This is why this evaluation must be a focus on life saving tannable results.

This is why NBCI is moving to create an interdisciplinary approach utilizing new tools and measurements to assess this plan's effectiveness in either slowing down the virus or eliminating it.