NATIONAL AFRICAN HIV INITIATIVE (NAHI)

GOAL OF NAHI:

An African-lead initiative to improve the health outcomes of African immigrants and refuges living in the US by enhancing HIV prevention, education, and care through culturally competent advocacy, education, and research

OBJECTIVES OF NAHI:

- 1. <u>Advocacy</u>: Create a national platform that increases the availability of targeted HIV resources and promotes affirmative policy change and development
- 2. Education & Outreach: Facilitate a learning environment for African immigrants and refugees, service providers, and government officials (local, state, and federal) to increase knowledge of HIV prevention, education and care disparities among the African-born population living in the US
- 3. <u>Data Collection</u>, <u>Research</u>, <u>& Evaluation</u>: Development and implementation of culturally competent data collection, research and evaluation mechanisms that accurately reflect the HIV epidemic in the African-born population living in the US