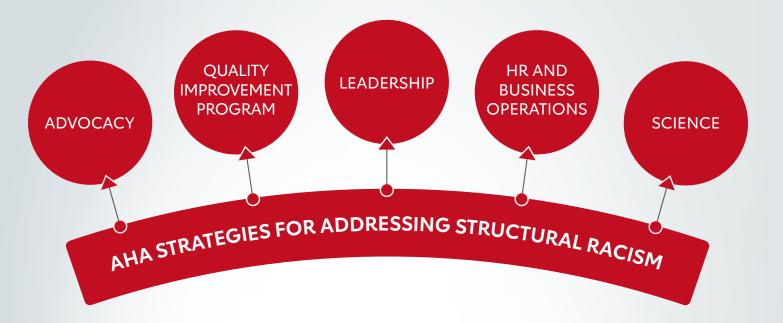


# Responding to Structural Racism

A new American Heart Association presidential advisory declares structural racism a major cause of poor health and premature death from heart disease and stroke. Here's a look at some AHA plans to combat structural racism, as part of the organization's new 2024 Impact Goal to help everyone enjoy full, healthy lives.



#### Advocacy

Seeking expansion of public health infrastructure to better understand and address structural racism; quality, affordable and equitable education and housing for all; federal funding to establish a national research agenda on the impact of racism on health.

## **Quality Improvement**

Aiming to boost quality of health care with programs that will improve data collection on race, ethnicity and the social factors that affect your health.

## Leadership

Serving as a catalyst, convener and collaborator, in particular within the realm of cardiovascular science, medicine and health care.

## **Human Resources/Business Operations**

Continuing education, training and focus on diversity policies.

#### Science

Building an antiracism research agenda; recruiting and developing members from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups; reorganizing scientific councils to prioritize diversity.