

AHLI Board Member *Deacon Francis Dixon* quoted on National Institute for Health (NIH) Website - *January 2021*



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Too often community is left out of the research design and implementation. NJ HEROES TOO strongly values and embraces community expertise and complements the work of its community partners.

Francis Dixon

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Community Partner*

<https://ncats.nih.gov/ctsa/projects/community-engagement-at-CTSA-hubs-during-the-COVID-19-pandemic>

NJ HEROES TOO (**N**ew **J**ersey **H**ealthcare **E**ssential **W**orker **O**utreach and **E**ducation **S**tudy - **T**esting **O**verlooked **O**ccupations) is part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics-Underserved Populations (RADx-UP) that aims to ensure that all Americans have access to COVID-19 testing, with a focus on communities most affected by the pandemic. Community-engaged RADx-UP projects will help us to understand and alleviate the barriers to COVID-19 testing across the nation.