

# 2024 Black History Month Achievers Award Winners



## WINNERS

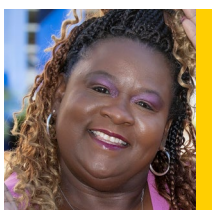


**Angeta Baker**  
*Occupational Health Administrative Assistant  
Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center*

Angeta Baker is passionate about advancing health care improvements for African Americans. As an occupational health administrative assistant at Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center, Baker supports initiatives that ensure employees have the health care resources they need to be successful in the workplace. Using her meticulous administrative skills, Baker streamlines processes, allowing for efficient tracking of health care disparities and the implementation of personalized interventions.

Baker is actively involved in organizing the annual review of employee records and supporting process developments that focus on promoting health awareness and ensuring valuable resources are available to our employees. She plays a pivotal role in coordinating health screenings, educational workshops, and programs that support employees and meet regulatory requirements. Her dedication to cultural competence ensures that services are crafted sensitively to meet the diverse needs of individuals, fostering inclusivity and effectiveness in health care delivery.

By actively advocating for health care equity and ensuring that services are culturally sensitive, relevant and accessible to diverse populations, Baker demonstrates her commitment to Johns Hopkins Medicine's core value of diversity and inclusion. She has a collaborative nature, is well-respected by her peers, and works closely with interdisciplinary teams to build bridges and promote collegiality in the workplace. Baker's dedication to promoting diversity and well-being and making a positive impact on our employees is commendable.



**Kimberly Brown-Williams**  
*Program Manager — Healthy Start  
Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital*

Kimberly Brown-Williams has a passion for helping others. In her community advocacy role, supporting families in communities throughout St. Petersburg, Florida, and in her professional role, leading the Healthy Start Program at Johns Hopkins All

Children's Hospital, Brown-Williams has a reputation for ensuring underserved communities have access to care. Healthy Start is a federal program focused on reducing disparities in maternal and infant health outcomes. A great deal of Brown-Williams' time is spent supporting couples before, during and after pregnancy by addressing health and social services needs for both partners and strengthening family resilience.

Under Brown-Williams' direction, Healthy Start provides a forum for community voices to be heard, in an effort to improve the health of mothers and babies. Healthy Start has an active community consortium that works to address social, environmental and political factors that impact African American men, women, children and families. Brown-Williams and her team recognize the importance of a two-parent household by ensuring men are a part of the program. Her team member Rashid leads the Men Matter movement, and ensures that not only is the mother ready for birth, but also the father.

In addition to the eight boards she supports, Brown-Williams also works closely with a local organization called the Foundation for a Healthy St. Petersburg. Their mission is to achieve health equity through racial equity by listening humbly, learning fearlessly and leading courageously to impact system change. Together, these leaders hosted a community screening of the documentary *Aftershock* — about Black maternal mortality — followed by a panel discussion. This event is one of many examples of Brown-Williams' efforts to improve the lives of African Americans in the St. Petersburg community.

The Black/African American Multicultural Employee Resource Group at Johns Hopkins All Children's wanted to participate in the 2024 MLK Dream Big Parade for the first time. The parade is 3 miles from the hospital, and is one of the largest community events that happens annually in celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. With limited funds, the parade committee had to be creative in finding resources to make this event possible. They reached out to community leaders, and without hesitation, Brown-Williams volunteered to provide the additional funding needed to make the parade a success. This shows not only her commitment to the organization, but also respect and collegiality toward her peers.

Brown-Williams exemplifies diversity and inclusion not just within the organization, but also throughout the community, and she displays an admirable level of humility. When recently praised for her tremendous work, she replied, "This isn't about me, it's about Healthy Start." This shows her dedication to the program, her team and the community. She is an amazing leader, colleague and community partner