Scapegoated for the pandemic, Asian Americans have been combating the twin scourges of both COVID-19 and the virus of anti-Asian Hate.

The following statistics demonstrate the critical life-saving roles that Asian Americans (AA), Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders (NH/PIs) have been playing in this nation’s efforts to fight COVID-19.

While AAs and NH/PIs comprise approximately 7% of the U.S. population, they received 3% of healthcare spending (ambulatory, emergency, inpatient, nursing facility, prescribed pharmaceuticals), the least of all racial/ethnic groups. (See: https://bit.ly/JAMA_HCSpending)

- Asian Americans comprise 9.4% of the total share of U.S. healthcare practitioners and technical occupations, compared to 6.5% of the overall U.S. population. (See: “Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations” under https://bit.ly/BLS_Avg)

- Approximately 18% of active physicians and 9% of registered nurses in this country are AAs. (See: https://bit.ly/AAMCFig18 and https://bit.ly/BLS_Avg)

- In Hawaii, AAs and NH/PIs make up 72% of the healthcare workforce and in California, AAs and NH/PIs comprise 26% of the healthcare workforce. (See: https://bit.ly/AAPlonthefrontlines)

- Two million AAs put themselves at risk each day as frontline and essential workers. (See: https://bit.ly/McKinseyCOVIDAAPI)

- 1 in 4 Filipinx working adults are frontline health care workers. (See: https://bit.ly/JAMA_Filipinx)