



Central Nervous System Effects of COVID-19 - An Evolving Science

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DETAILS & LOGISTICS

Time: 12:00pm—1:00pm EDT
Where: Virtual (*Adobe Connect webinar*)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

COVID-19 is a novel virus. Over these months of the pandemic, examples of persistent central nervous system-mediated disease and disability have been identified. African Americans and other people of color will be disproportionately represented among this group, given the higher rates of infection and disease. Many of these individuals will find their way to behavioral health offices in need of medical care, emotional support and understanding of unusual syndromes weeks to months after “recovery” from COVID-19. This presentation will provide the tools necessary to offer comprehensive care to this population.

OBJECTIVES

- Understand the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on African Americans and other people of color
- Describe the pathophysiologic effects of SARS-CoV-2 on central nervous system structure and function
- Identify the CNS-mediated symptoms of the COVID-19 prodrome, acute and convalescent phases of illness
- Considerations in providing clinical support, oversight, and treatment to persons with COVID-19 (appropriate to your discipline)

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Mental health and primary care providers

SPEAKER:



Cynthia Turner-Graham, M.D., DFAPA, is a board-certified adult psychiatrist, who completed her undergraduate studies at Fisk University and residency training at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. She has practiced psychiatry in private and public settings, has served in several executive leadership positions, and currently maintains a private practice in Rockville, Maryland. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Washington Psychiatric Society, is President of the Suburban Maryland Psychiatric Society and is President-Elect of Black Psychiatrists of America. At her church, Dr. Turner-Graham provides leadership for their Mental Health Ministry. Pursuing a life of spiritual, emotional, and physical wellness is the organizing focus for her life, and she encourages others to do the same. Empowering individuals and groups to take control of their life and health is the mission of her business, [ForSoundMind Enterprises, Inc.](#)



HOST: Anelle Primm, M.D., MPH is the Senior Medical Director of the Steve Fund, an organization focused on the mental health of young people of color. She is also a member of the Black Psychiatrists of America Council of Elders.

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