



Black Youth Suicide Prevention

May 19, 2022 | Health Equity Webinar Series

DETAILS & LOGISTICS

Time: 12:00pm—1:00pm EDT

Where: Virtual (*Zoom webinar*)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Over the last three decades, there has been a steady and continuous rise in Black youth suicides. Despite these increases, there has been a shortage of research regarding the cause. This webinar will explore the increasing surge and discuss possible contributing factors related to this public health emergency.

OBJECTIVES

- Discuss the phenomenology of Black youth suicide
- Examine the rising rate of suicides among Black youth and teens
- Explore factors that are contributing to stress and poor mental health for children in Black communities
- Identify protective factors that prevent poor mental health and decrease risks of suicide

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Mental health clinicians, others in human services fields, and the general public interested in the mental health of Black youth and ways to prevent the tragedy of suicide and its impact on communities

Certificates of attendance will be available to viewers of 50% (30 minutes) or more of the live webinar via email within 30 business days following the event. CEUs are not available for this session.

SPEAKER:



Napoleon B. Higgins, Jr., MD is a child, adolescent and adult psychiatrist in Houston, Texas. He is the owner of Bay Pointe Behavioral Health Services and South East Houston Research Group. Dr. Higgins received his MD from Meharry Medical

College in Nashville, Tennessee, and he completed his residency in Adult Psychiatry and his fellowship in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. He is the Executive Director of the Black Psychiatrists of America, President of the Black Psychiatrists of Greater Houston, and Past President of the Caucus of Black Psychiatrists of the American Psychiatric Association. Dr. Higgins is co-author of *Bree's Journey to Joy: A Story about Childhood Grief and Depression*, *How Amari Learned to Love School Again: A Story about ADHD*, *Mind Matters: A Resource Guide to Psychiatry for Black Communities*, and author of *Transition 2 Practice: 21 Things Every Doctor Must Know In Contract Negotiations and the Job Search*. Dr. Higgins has worked with countless community mentoring programs and has special interest in trauma, racism, and inner-city issues and how they affect minority and disadvantaged children and communities.



HOST: Annelle 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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