



California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions
in Collaboration with the African American Health Institute of San Bernardino

***Beyond the Beats & Lyrics:
African American TAY Males and the Mental Health System in California***

When

Tuesday, January 20, 2015
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Register [HERE](#)

Location

GoToWebinar

(Logon link will be provided after registration)

Who Should Attend

County staff, Behavioral Health staff, Case Managers, Community Based Organizations, Providers, Consumers and Family Members, Community Members, Law Enforcement

Presenters

Bennie Crayton, Prevention Specialist, Ventura County ADP

Jim Gilmer, MA, California Reducing Disparities Project, UC Davis

Nicki King, PhD, California Reducing Disparities Project, UC Davis

Melvin Mason, LCSW, Monterey Area African American Provider/Subject Matter Expert

Vincent Shelton, BBL Focus Group Facilitator/TAY Male

Mark Spencer, LavLife Foundation/Hip Hop Coalition/TAY Male

Calvin Handy, UC Davis Police Chief Emeritus

Cost

FREE!!!

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Webinar Description

The webinar will provide an overview of social determinants, specifically violence and discrimination, unemployment and problems with law enforcement, which contribute to the creation of challenges concerning the behavioral health of African American TAY Males. A specific area of focus will be relationships between law enforcement and young black men, and how negative, violent interactions have contributed to a possible increase in depression, anxiety, acting out and tendency to self-harm in many instances. Solutions and strategies that can be brought into play that might mitigate the impact of both the harmful interactions and point towards potential behavioral health solutions and interventions will be discussed. Expert panel members involved in the discussion will include Behavioral Health professionals, law enforcement, as well as African American TAY Males providing personal testimonies.

Learning Objectives

- Broadened understanding of the need to integrate an understanding of the social determinants of health for African American TAY Males with concrete preventative strategies to limit disparities in the care of these youth
- Increased awareness of the special risks that impact the behavioral health of African American TAY Males and create barriers to effective involvement in treatment
- Identification of strategies to address relationships with law enforcement and the African American community that will facilitate better outcomes and less negative impact to the Behavioral Health of African American TAY Males