



Department
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New York State Public Health Corps (NYSPHC) Fellowship Program



Educational Series

Intersecting Social Factors: How Social Interventions Positively
Impact Queer People And Vulnerable Communities

May 8, 2024

Welcome!

Agenda

- Welcome and Agenda
- Presentation
- Questions
- Closing/Evaluation/Program Updates

Welcome Taje Jenkins-Jones



Learning Objectives

- Define social determinants of health and explain how they influence health outcomes.
- Define intersectionality and explain how it influences health equity
- Discuss the relationship between social determinants of health and intersectionality and the influence they have on communities in Western New York.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the influence economics and education can have on an individual's health outcomes.
- Recognize how social interventions can positively affect marginalized people experiencing health inequities.
- Discuss how addressing social determinants of health by investing in communities and supporting interventions can impact marginalized people, specifically in Western New York.

Intersecting Social Factors:

HOW SOCIAL INTERVENTIONS POSITIVELY
IMPACTS QUEER PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE
COMMUNITIES

PRESENTED BY TAJE JENKINS-JONES



Taje Jenkins-Jones

Hometown: Buffalo, NY

Education: Medaille University (Class of 2016)

Affiliations: Intercultural and Diversity Center / Upstate NY Black & Latino
Pride/WNYETE Steering Committee

Notable Achievements:

Became VP of The SHADE Project Empowerment Group at The Mocha
Center (2017)

Appointed chair of ETE Outreach sub-committee (2018)

Founded Buffalo Black & Latino Pride week (2021)

Appointed to MPX task force

UNYBLP receives state recognition via proclamation (2022)

Features: PBS Digital Studio documentary:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BjFy_tvtBWg&t=43s

Overview

- Discuss the usage of the term Queer in this presentation
- Define and discuss the Social Determinant of Health (SDOH)
- Define and discuss Intersectionality
- Explore the relationship between SDOH and Intersectionality
- Discuss how Community Interventions positively influences health outcomes

What does the “Q” in LGBTQ+ stand for ?

Lesbian. Gay. Bisexual. Transgender. Queer.

Queer is an umbrella term that includes all sexual and gender minorities that are not cisgender or heterosexual, respectfully.

When the term Queer is used in academics, its purpose is inclusivity, in an attempt to encompass all members of the LGBTQ+ community by reappropriating a term used as a slur in the past.

What are the Social Determinants of Health?

Social determinants of health (SDOH) are the conditions in the environments where people are born, live, learn, work, play, worship, and age that affect a wide range of health, functioning, and quality-of-life outcomes and risks.

Social Determinants of Health

Figure 1

Social Determinants of Health

Economic Stability	Neighborhood and Physical Environment	Education	Food	Community and Social Context	Health Care System
Employment	Housing	Literacy	Hunger	Social integration	Health coverage
Income	Transportation	Language	Access to healthy options	Support systems	Provider availability
Expenses	Safety	Early childhood education		Community engagement	Provider linguistic and cultural competency
Debt	Parks	Vocational training		Discrimination	Quality of care
Medical bills	Playgrounds	Higher education		Stress	
Support	Walkability				
	Zip code / geography				

Health Outcomes

Mortality, Morbidity, Life Expectancy, Health Care Expenditures, Health Status, Functional Limitations

Social Determinants of Health

Social Determinants are influenced by the historical factors of an area, which can uniquely shape what social determinants a **community faces.**

Factors That Affect Community Health

- A highway going through a neighborhood causing health complications.
- The closure of factories, resulting in decreased household income
- Food Deserts - a lack of fresh food sources

Intersectionality

“...the intersectional experience is greater than the sum of racism and sexism, any analysis that does not take intersectionality into account cannot sufficiently address the particular manner in which Black women are subordinated.”

- Kimberlé Crenshaw, *Demarginalizing the Intersection of Race and Sex*

Intersectionality and Social Determinants of Health

Now that we have discussed the impact of economic insecurity on an individual, let's explore how this aspect can be further complicated by a person's intersectional identity.

- Individual A: Gay Black Man
- Individual B: Unemployed Transgender 1st Generation Citizen

Intersectionality and Social Determinants of Health

Person A

Gay (Homophobia) + Black (Racism) + Male (Social pressures)

Person B

Low-income (Classism) + Transgender (Transphobia) + First
Generation Citizen (Xenophobia)

Questions

What social determinants might Person A/B experience when seeking employment?

How might that impact their ability to gain or sustain housing?

What is a community intervention?

National Institute of Health (NIH) defines a Community Intervention as, those that involve multi-sector partnerships, emphasize community members as integral to the intervention, and/or deliver services in community settings.

Community Intervention

Examples of Community Interventions:

- V.O.I.C.E.S./VOCES - is a single-session, video-based HIV/STD prevention program designed to encourage condom use and improve condom negotiation skills.
- WEDI/Westside Bazaar
- NYSPHC Fellowship program

Benefits of Community Interventions

Community Interventions seek to address social determinants through a collaborative model, typically connecting with other interventions to address a person's quality of life.

Examples of Community Interventions:

- V.O.I.C.E.S./VOCES - Evidence-based HIV/AIDS prevention intervention
- WEDI/Westside Bazaar - Livelihood Intervention, or Interventions that provide resources or skills to support income generation
- NYSPHC Fellowship program - Educational/Employment intervention, as seek to bridge community access to socio-economic opportunities.

Community Intervention

V.O.I.C.E.S./VOCES - is a single-session, video-based HIV/STD prevention program designed to encourage condom use and improve condom negotiation skills. (CDC)

Benefits VOICES/VOCES intervention:

- Increased knowledge about the transmission of HIV and other STDs
- A more realistic assessment of their personal risk
- Greater likelihood of getting condoms and intending to use them regularly
- Fewer repeat STD infections

Questions?

**Closing,
Announcements,
Updates, and Save
the Date**



New for Fellows: Educational Series Certificate Program!

- After today's Educational Series event, we strongly encourage all **Fellows** to return to the LMS to complete the course quiz. **Why?**
- In 2024, Fellows will have the ability to receive a professional development certificate of completion for viewing the Educational Series courses in the LMS and answering the associated quiz questions!
- We encourage you to complete the three quiz questions associated with today's session in the LMS to receive credit towards the future Educational Series Certificate program!

Announcements & Updates

- Please complete the Evaluation Survey which you will be prompted to take when you close out of Zoom.
- If you want to continue the conversation, join the NYSPHC Fellowship Program LinkedIn Group to continue networking and professional development:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/14059709>



Save the Date!

NYSPHC Fellow Celebration

- May 30, 2024, 11:30AM to 1PM
- Keynote Speaker: Maudra Brown, MRB Public Health Consulting
- Closing Remarks: Sarah Ravenhall, New York State Association of County Health Officials



Save the Date!

New York Hiring for Emergency Limited Placement Statewide (NY HELPS) Webinar

- June 20, 2024, 12:00 to 1PM
- Presenter: Amy Savoie, NYSDOH Human Resources Management Group
- Overview of the merit system, career mobility and the HELPS Program
- Save the Date and registration will be sent out soon

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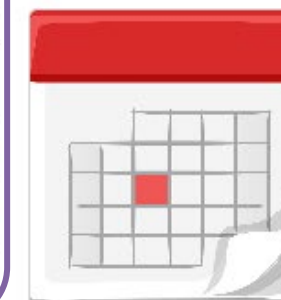
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