

Conference Agenda

May 17, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Pre-Conference Breakfast and Networking

9:00 a.m. – Master of Ceremonies - Denice Williams, Deputy Commissioner of Planning, Program Integration and Evaluation (PPIE), NYC Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD)

9:15 a.m. – Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:30 a.m. Keith S. Howard, Commissioner, NYC Dept. of Youth and Community Development
Krystalyn Kass, Assistant Vice President, Vibrant Emotional Health

9:30 a.m. Keynote Address Introduction

Denice Williams, Deputy Commissioner, PPIE, NYC DYCD

9:35 a.m. – Keynote Address

10:25 a.m. Dr. Anna Ortega-Williams, LMSW, Ph.D, Assistant Professor,
Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College, City University of New York

10:25 a.m. – Transition & Refreshments Break

10:40 a.m.

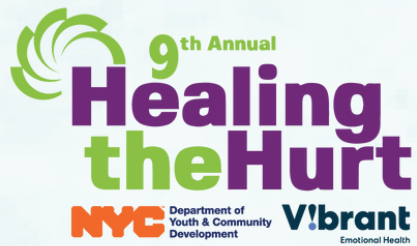
10:40 a.m. – Breakout Workshops

11:55 a.m. In-Person:

- Engaging Young Men of Color in Mental Health Services is Suicide Prevention
 - Facilitator: Damon Watson, MPH
- Trauma-Informed Practices and Healing-Centered Engagement
 - Facilitator: Nicole Hamilton
- The Healing Canvas: Creative Approaches to Wellness
 - Facilitator: Linda Turner, LCAT, LPAT, ATR-BC
- Catalyzing Healing & Collective Wellness in Troubling Times
 - Facilitator: Anna Ortega-Williams, LMSW, Ph.D.

Virtual:

- Building Resilience: Crafting Trauma-Informed Programs for Youth Empowerment
 - Facilitator: Sherina Davis
- Uncovering the Needs of Runaway and Homeless Youth (Panel Workshop)
 - Moderators: Gian Peralta & Derrick Stoudymire
 - Panelists: Safe Horizon, Covenant House, Rising Ground, SCO Family Services, Children's Village
- Qi Gong: Cultivating Life Energy
 - Facilitator: Michelle Quiba
- Invitation to Ease: Leadership and Well-being
 - Facilitator: Melba J. Nicholson Sullivan, Ph.D.



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12:00 p.m. – Lunch and Networking Break

1:00 p.m.

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1:05 p.m.

1:05 p.m. – Afternoon Workshops

2:20 p.m. In-Person:

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2:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. – Closing Remarks and Q&A

2:45 p.m. Denice Williams, Deputy Commissioner, PPIE, NYC DYCD

2:45 p.m. – Conference Wrap-Up

3:00 p.m.