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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Significance of context for rural African American families and youth; implications of racism for family functioning; dynamics of racism in African Americans' daily lives; family and community protective characteristics that ameliorate influences promoting high-risk behavior among rural African American children and adolescents, and caregivers; interventions to prevent HIV infection and chronic disease among African Americans, with a focus on African American families' strengths and cultural assets.

EDUCATION

1974 – B.S., University of Tennessee

1985 – M.S., University of Missouri, Columbia.

Thesis: High versus low stress: A study of stressor pile-up

1987 – Ph.D., University of Missouri, Columbia.

Dissertation: Family stress: Change in demands and capabilities

1990 – Post-doctoral fellow, National Institute of Mental Health Workshop on Families and AIDS

1991 – Post-doctoral fellow, New Perspectives on Adolescent Development, Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts
Post-doctoral fellow, International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development, Pennsylvania State University, University Park

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

2019-present University Professor, School of Medicine & Peabody College
Departments of Health Policy and Human & Organizational Development

2013-present Adjunct Professor, Center for Medicine Health and Society, Vanderbilt University

2013-present Research Faculty Scholar, Vanderbilt Center for Health Services Research, Vanderbilt Medical Center

2015-present Secondary Faculty Appointment, Department of Health Policy, Vanderbilt Medical Center

2016-present Appointed, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University in St. Louis, Senior Scholar, 2016-2019

2010-present Associate Director- Community Engagement Research Core, Clinical Translational Science Award, Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical Translational Research Vanderbilt School of Medicine

2008- present: Professor, Human and Organizational Development, Vanderbilt University
Lois Autrey Betts Chair, Education and Human Development, Peabody College, Vanderbilt University

2002 – 2008: Professor, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia
Adjunct Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Georgia

1995 – 2008: Co-director, Center for Family Research, University of Georgia
Fellow, Institute for Behavioral Research, University of Georgia

1995 – 2002: Associate Professor, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia

1992 – 1995: Assistant Professor, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia

1987 – 1992: Assistant Professor, Human Development and Family Relations, School of Family Studies, University of Connecticut

1985 – 1987: Lecturer and Research Assistant, Department of Child and Family Studies, University of Missouri, Columbia

HONORS

Research

Recipient of the Carolyn Attneave Award for Diversity, Society for Family Psychology, Division 43 of the American Psychological Association, 2009
Society for Research in Child Development, 2013 Distinguish Contributions and Contextual

Factors in Child Development Award, 2013

Reappointed: Institute of Medicine, National Academies, Board of Children Youth and Families, 2015-2016.

Appointed: USAID Evidence Review Team Member, Evidence Summit on Enhancing Child Survival and Development in Lower-and Middle-2016

2013 Recipient of The Elizabeth Hurlock Beckman Trust Award, Carter Center, Atlanta, GA

Appointed Chair, American Psychological Association, Committee on Psychology of AIDS, 2013-2014

2014 Recipient, American Psychological Association Presidential Citation, Distinguished Research and Contributions for Children, Youth, and HIV/AIDS.

2014 Recipient of Society for Prevention Research Award, for Contributions in Community, Culture and Prevention Science

2014 Recipient of The Consortium of Doctors, LTD, Distinguished Scholar Award, for Commitment to Life-Long Learning, Self-Discovery, and Quest to Explore our Every Changing World

2016 Recipient of The Joe B. Wyatt Distinguished University Professor

President-Elect, Society for Research on Adolescence, National Membership Election, 2018-2020.

Appointed: National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Institute of Medicine's Board of Children Youth and Families, Consensus Study Committee on *Improving the Health, Safety, and Well-Being of Young Adults*, 2013-2015.

Appointed as Coordinator of National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's *Innovation to Incubation Social Justice and Equity Committee*, 2015-2019.

Appointed, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's Board on Children, Youth, and Families *Health Parenting and Primary Care Task Force*, 2015-present

Appointed, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's *Program Committee, Engaging Allies in the Culture of Health Movement*, 2017-2020

Appointed, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's *Culture of Health Program Stakeholders Committee*, 2017-2020.

Appointed Reviewer, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's Board on Children, Youth, and Families report on *The Promise of Adolescence: Realizing Opportunity for All Youth*, 2018

Appointed, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's Board on Children, Youth, and Families Consensus Study on *Applying Lessons of Optimal Adolescent Health to Improve Behavioral Outcomes for Youth*, 2019-2020,

Appointed Attendee Representative of Culture of Health Committee to National Academies *Culture of Health Futures Workshop in Nursing Profession of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's and RWJ*, July 2019.

Appointed, National Advisory Board of Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development is a project of the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CSPV), 2016-2019

Appointed, Foundation for Child Development, Board of Directors, 2018-2022.

Appointed to National Institutes of Health's, *Psychosocial Development, Risk, and Prevention (PDRP) Grant Review Study Section*, 2016-2020.

Elected Member of The National Academy of Medicine, Class of 2020

Elected, President, Society for Research on Adolescence, 2020-2022

Elected, President-Elect, International Consortium of Development Science Societies, 2020-2022

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Public Health Association
Society for Research on Child Development
Society for Research on Adolescence
Society for Prevention Science
American Psychological Association
Committee on the Psychology of AIDS

EDITORSHIP OR EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP:

Journal of Family Psychology	Consulting Editor, 2008- 2018
Journal of Adolescent Research	Editorial Board, 2004 – present
Child Development	Editorial Board, 2013-2019
Prevention Science	Ad hoc Reviewer, 2006 – present
Journal of Health Psychology	Ad hoc Reviewer, 2004 – 2018
Journal of Parenting Science and Practice	Ad hoc Reviewer, 2013-2017
Journal of Applied Developmental Science	Associate Editor, 2014-present
Journal of Developmental Psychology	Editorial Board, 2016-2019
Journal of Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology	Editorial Board, 2015-2016
Journal of Youth and Society	Editorial Board, 2000 – 2011
Journal of Marriage and Family	Deputy Editor, 2006-2009
Journal of Marriage and Family	Editorial Board, 2010-2012
Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology	Editorial Board, 2010 – 2013
Child Development Perspectives	Editorial Advisory Board, 2011-2014
Journal of Women, Gender, and Families of Color	Editorial Board, 2012-2015

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Bryan, A., Chang, T., Corona, R., Coyne-Beasley, T., Halpern-Felsher, B., Hutchinson, J. W., Murry, V. M., Wilson, S. J. (2020). *Promoting Positive Adolescent Health Behaviors and Outcomes: Thriving in the 21st Century*. Washington, DC: National Academy of Medicine, National Academies of Sciences.

Bogard, K., Murry, V. M., & Alexander, C. (2018). *Perspectives on Health Equity & Social Determinants of Health*. Washington, DC: National Academy of Medicine, National Academies of Sciences.

Book Chapters:

- Murry, V. M.**, Cooper, S. M., Burnett, M., & Inniss-Thompson, M. N. (2020). Family relationships and well-being of African American families residing in rural spaces. In S. McHale, V. King, J. & Van Hook, L. (Eds). Pennsylvania State University 26th Annual Symposium on Family Issues--*Rural Families and Communities*, pp. 169-200. New York: Springer Publisher.
- Tolan, P. H., **Murry, V. M.**, Diaz, A., & Seidel, R. (2018). *Life span and legal policy research as dual focuses for identifying and implementing opportunities to realize health equity* (pgs 25-40). In K. Bogard, V. M. Murry, & C. Alexander. (2018). *Perspectives on Health Equity & Social Determinants of Health*. Washington, DC: National Academy of Medicine, National Academies of Sciences.
- Seidel, R., Tolan, P. H., Diaz, A., & **Murry, V. M.** (2018). Philosophical perspectives on social justice: A framework for discussing a children, youth, and families health policy and research agenda. In K. Bogard, V. M. Murry, & C. Alexander. (2018). *Perspectives on Health Equity & Social Determinants of Health*. Washington, DC: National Academy of Medicine, National Academies of Sciences.
- Murry, V.M.**, Block, E., & Liu, N. (2016). Adjustment and development of African American males: The roles of families, communities, and other contexts. In S. McHale, V. King, J. Van Hook, L. Burton, & D. Burton (Eds). Pennsylvania State University 23rd Annual Symposium on Family Issues—Boys and Men in African American Families. New York: Springer Publisher.
- Murry, V.M.**, Liu, N., & Bethune, C. (2015). Developmental patterns of rural African American adolescents. In L. Crockett and G. Carlos (Eds). *Rural Minority Youth and Families*, pp. 203-225. New York: Springer Publications (Invited).
- Gonzales, N., Barrera, M., **Murry, V. M.**, & Pina, A. (2015). Culturally adapted preventive interventions for children and adolescence. In D. Cicchetti (Ed). *Developmental Psychopathology: Genes and Environment*, pp. 874-933. Hoboken, New Jersey: John Wiley & Sons.
- Murry, V. M.**, Hill, N. E., Witherspoon, D.W., & Berkel, C. (2015). Children in diverse ethnic communities. In Bornstein, M., Leventhal, T., Lerner, R., *Handbook of Child Psychology and Developmental Science*, pp. 416- 454 (Vol. 4, 7th edition). New Jersey: John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (Invited)
- Murry, V.M.**, Mayberry, L. S. & Berkel, C. (2012). Gender and family relations. In Peterson, G., & Bush, K. (eds.), pp. 401-422. *Handbook on Marriage and the Family*, 3rd edition. New York: Springer Publishers (Invited)
- Murry, V. M.**, Berkel, C., & Copeland-Linder, N. (2011). Ecological and sociocultural determinants of risk and health-promoting behaviors among African American youth. In Fitzgerald, H. E., Hill, N. E., & Mann, T. (eds.), pp.93-122. In *African American children and mental health: Volume 2: Prevention, Intervention, and Social Policy*. ABC-CLIO, LLC Publishers, Santa Barbara, CA. (Invited)
- Murry, V. M.**, Berkel, C., Pantin, H., & Guillermo, P., (2011). Family-based HIV prevention with African American and Hispanic youth, pp. 229-248. In Pequegnat, W., & Bell, C. *Families and HIV/AIDS*. New York: Springer Publishers (Invited)

COMMISSIONED REFEREED REPORT

IOM Consensus Study Committee's Report: Members: Bonnie, R. Brindis, C., Carrion, G., Courtney, M., Crosnoe, R., Davis, M., Harris, K.M., Holzer, H., Irin, C., Luna, B., Murry, V.M., Papacharisi, Z., Schulenberg, J., Sepulveda, M., Viswanath, K., Walker, L. (2014). *Investing in the health and well-being of young adults*. National Academy of Sciences. Washington DC. NOTE: All other authors wrote major sections and edited others. They are listed in alphabetical order.

ABSTRACTS

- Gillespie, Marie.L. , Sharma, Akul. , Van Erp, Theo.G.M. , Ernst, Monique., **Murry, V.M.** , Rao,Uma. "Functional Connectivity During Reward-Seeking in Adolescents Enrolled in a Risk-Reduction Intervention". Poster presentation, The Society of Biological Psychiatry Annual Meeting 2020, New York.
- Smith, E. P., Seaton, E., Zaslow, M., Updegraff, K., & **Murry, V. M.** Can I Get Funded Studying Race, Ethnicity, and Culture?": Disparities in Federal Funding---Advancing Diversity. Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, April 2021.
- Murry, V. M.**, Gonzalez, C., Bulgin, D., Coates, E., Debreaux, M., Inniss-Thompson, M., & Wilson, W. Revisioning Attachment Theory, African American Parenting, African American Youth Development through the Lens of Strength-based, Cultural Assets Framework. Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, April 2021.

ARTICLES IN REFEREED JOURNALS

2020-2021

- Bryan, A., Chang, T., Corona, R., Coyne-Beasley, T., Halpern-Felsher, B., Hutchinson, J. W., **Murry, V. M.**, Wilson, S. J. (2020). Applying lessons of optimal adolescent health to improve behavioral outcomes for youth. *Journal of Adolescent Health*, 66 (2), S98.
- Berkel, C., **Murry, V. M.**, Thomas, N., & Bekele, B. (in press). The Pathways for African American Success Program: Overcoming the negative consequences of discrimination. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*.
- Mayo-Gamble, T., **Murry, V.M.**, Thompson, T et al. (2020). Engaging Individuals with Sickle Cell Disease in Patient-Centered Outcomes Research: A Community Health Ambassador Model. *Journal of Health Care Poor and Underserved*, 31, 353-369.

2017-2019

- Barbarin, Oscar.A., Tolan, Patrick.H., Gaylord-Harden, N. & **Murry, V.M.** (2019). Promoting social justice for African-American boys and young men through research and intervention: a challenge for developmental science. *Journal of Applied Development Science*, 1-12.
- Mayo-Gamble, T. L., **Murry, V.M.** & Woode, Quasie.D. (2019). Technology access and preferences for smartphone application content among adults with sickle cell disease and their caregivers. *APHA's 2019 Annual Meeting and Expo* (Nov.2 – Nov.6).
- Spalluto, Lucy.B., Audet, Carolyn.M., **Murry, V.M.**, Barajas, Claudia. P., Beard, Katina, R., Campbell, Thoris.T, (2019). Group Versus Individual Educational Sessions With a

- Promotora and Hispanic/Latina Women's Satisfaction With Care in the Screening Mammography Setting: A Randomized Controlled Trial. *American Journal of Roentgenology*, 213 (5), 1029 – 1036.
- Murry, V. M.** (2019). Navigating opportunities and transcending adversities: Healthy African Families in the 21st century. *Journal of Family Relations* (invited). *Journal of Family Relations*, 68, 342-357.
- Murry, V.M.** (2019). Healthy African American Families in the 21st Century: Navigating Opportunities and Transcending Adversities. *Family Relations* 68 (4), 342 – 357.
- Mayo-Gamble, T. L., Schlundt, D., Cunningham-Erves, J., **Murry, V. M.**, Bonnet, K., Quasie-Woode, D., Mouton, C. P. (2019). Sickle Cell Carriers' Unmet Information Needs: Beyond Knowing Trait Status. *Journal of Genetic Counseling*, 28, 812-821.
- Murry, V. M.**, Berkel, C., Inniss-Thompson, M. N., & Debreaux, M. L., (2019). Pathways for African American Success: Results of a 3-arm randomized trial to test the effects of technology-based delivery for rural African American families. *Journal of Pediatric Psychology*, 44, 375-387.
- Murry, V. M.**, Ketterly, H., Berkel, C. & Inniss-Thompson, M. N (2019). The Pathways for African American Success (PAAS): Does delivery platform matter in the prevention of HIV risk vulnerability among youth? *Journal of Adolescent Health*, 65, 255-261.
- Spalluto, Lucy.B., Thomas, Debbie., Beard, Katina.R., Campbell, Thoris.T., Audet, Carolyn.M., **McBride Murry, V.M.**, (2018). A Community-Academic Partnership to Reduce Health Care Disparities in Diagnostic Imaging. *Journal of American College of Radiology*, 16 (4), 649-656.
- Murry, V.M.**, Butler-Barnes, Sheretta, T., Mayo-Gamble, Tilicia. & Inniss-Thompson, Misha.N. (2018). Excavating New Constructs for Family Stress Theories in the Context of Everyday Life Experiences of Black American Families: Black American Families and Stress. *Journal of Family Theory & Review* 10 (2), 384-405.
- Pichon, LC, McGoy, S, **McBride Murry, V**, Alcendor, D, Juarez, P. (2018). Engaging Sexual and Gender Minorities in Identifying Strategies to Increase PrEP Uptake and Adherence in the MidSouth. *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*. 52, S221-S221.
- Murry, V. M.**, Berkel, C., & Liu, N. (2018). The closing digital divide: Delivery modality and family attendance the Pathways for African American Success (PAAS) program. *Journal of Prevention Science*, 5, 642-651.
- Murry, V.M.**, & Lippold, M., (2018). Parenting practices in diverse family structure: Examination of adolescents' development and adjustment. *Journal of Research on Adolescence (Special Issue)*, 28, 650-664.
- Gaylord-Harden, N., Tolan, P., Barbarian, O., & **Murry, V. M.** (2018). Understanding development of African American boys and young men: Moving from risks to positive youth development. *American Psychologist* (Invited), 73, 753-767.
- Murry, V. M.**, Butler-Barnes, Mayo-Gamble, T., & Inniss-Thompson, M. N. (2018). Excavating family stress theories in the context of everyday life experiences of Black American families. (Invited) *Journal of Family Theory Research*, 10, 385-405.
- Utranka, A., Mayo-Gamble, T., Allen, W., Novak, L., Kassim, A. A., Bonnet, K., Schlundt, D., **Murry, V. M.**, Jackson, G., P., & DeBaun, M. (2018). Technology use and preferences to support clinical practice guideline awareness and adherence in individuals with sickle cell disease. *Journal of American Medical Informatics Association*, 25, 976-988.

- Cronin, R. M., Mayo-Gamble, T., Stimpson, S. J., Badawy, S. M., Crosby, L. E., Byrd, J., Volanaski, E., Kassim, A. A., **Murry, V. M.**, & DeBaun, M. R. (2018). Adapting medical guidelines to be patient-centered using a patient-driven process for individuals with sickle cell disease and their caregivers. *Journal of BMC Hematology*, 1-13.
- Mayo-Gamble, T. L., **Murry, V. M.**, & DeBaun, M. R. (2017). Establishment of the Tennessee sickle cell disease network as a mechanism for engaging a rare disease population in patient-centered outcomes research. *Journal of Clinical and Translational Science*, 1, Supplement 1., pp. 80-81.

PRESENTATIONS:

2020

- Murry, V. M. Cascading effects of racism on African Americans adjustment: Implications for pathways to drug use vulnerability. Washington, DC, Invited Presentation for the NIDA HEAL Initiative, Social Determinants of Drug Use: Establishing a Research Agenda to Inform Community and System Level Intervention, September 2020.

2019

- Murry, V.M. Preventing a wide spectrum of behavioral and developmental problems among African American youth through The Strong African American Families (SAAF) Program, European Conference on Developmental Psychology, Athens, Greece, September 1, 2019
- Murry, V.M. Scaling up Evidence-Based Programs in Community Settings: Opportunities and Challenges, Invited Talk, University of Boulder, Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence, Community Advisory Board Meeting. Denver, CO, May 15, 2019
- Murry, V.M. Scaling up Evidence-Based Programs in Community Settings: Balancing Fidelity and Real-World “Adjustments” to Model Implementation University of Boulder, Institute for Behavioral Science, Boulder, CO, May 15, 2019
- Murry, V.M. International Convention of Psychological Science, Paris, France
Title of Symposium: Resilience and Positive Development of Youth of Color in the United States, March 8, 2019

2018

- Murry, V. M. (2018). Addressing disparities in communities of color: Capitalizing on cultural, strength-based assets in family-based prevention intervention. NYU Steinhardt Dean’s Inaugural Lecture Series. New York, NY
- Murry, V. M. Gadsden V., Bogard, K., Alexander, C., Toomer, S. D., & Diaz, A. (2018), National Academy of Medicine Perspectives on health equity and social determinants of health. Society for Research on Adolescence, Minneapolis, MN.
- Inniss-Thompson, M. N., Debreaux, M. L., & Murry, V. M. (2018). Examining the context and content of racial socialization messages on psychosocial adjustment of biracial and mono-racial adolescents: What matters, for whom, and how? Society for Research on Adolescence, Minneapolis, MN.
- Inniss-Thompson, M. N., & Murry, V. M. (2018). Reducing depression among African American youth through family-based prevention. APA Division 45 Research Conference, University of Texas-Austin.

- Murry, V. M. (2018). Three-arm comparative effectiveness trial of the Pathways for African America Success Program. International Congress on Community Psychology, Santiago, Chile.
- Murry, V. M. (2018). Reducing spillover effects of discrimination on African American youths development and adjustment through the Strong African American Families Program. International Congress on Clinical and Health Psychology on Children and Adolescents. Palma De Mallorca, Spain

2017

- Murry, V. M. (2017) Family Matters: Examining unexplored socialization processes in the prevention of youth violence. European Conference on Developmental Psychology, Utrecht, Netherlands. (INVITED)
- Murry, V. M (2017) New paradigm shift: Promotion of health and wellness vs. risk in studies of African American families and youth. 2017 Society for Prevention Research Conference, Washington, DC. (INVITED)
- Murry, V. M. (2017). Promoting positive youth development among African American youth: Examining the protective nature of African American families. Invite Human and Environmental Science Diversity/Margaret Mangel Lectureship, University of Missouri-Columbia, April 21, 2017.
- Murry, V.M. (2017). Examining the protective nature of racial and ethnic socialization for African American youth development and adjustment. American Sociological Association Conference, Montreal, Canada (INVITED).
- Murry, V. M. (2017). Understanding and addressing barriers to help seeking behaviors among African American families: Implications for health disparities. Invited Grand Rounds, Ruth Fuller Lectureship, University of Colorado, Medical Center, Aurora, Co.
- Murry, V. M., (2017). Dismantling Risk and Protective Processes to Reduce Risk Engaging Behaviors among Rural African American Adolescent Males and Females, Invited Senior Lecturer, University of Maryland, College Park Center for Children Relationships and Culture & Developmental Science Colloquium Series

RESEARCH GRANTS:

GRANTS - Under Review

Murry, VM. Intersectional Identity Development: Adaptation of a Family-Based eHealth HIV Prevention program for Multicultural LGBTQ Early Adolescence. NIMH/AIDS Submitted Jan 2020 -Role: MPI with Dr. Cady Berkel (ASU)

Murry, V.M. Community Advocacy Training Education & Research (C.A.T.E.R) to Sickle Cell Disease. Submitted to PCORI, Submitted July 2020 - Role: PI

Murry, V. M. Preventing community violence exposure among urban African American youth through a Strength-Based, Family Centered Program. NICHD, Submitted, September 2020. Role: MPI with Dr. Noni Gayord-Harden (Texas A&M University)

Murry V. M. Ending the HIV and Stigma Syndemic: Re-framing Health Education Content for Southern Black Churches. Submitted with Dr. Latrice Pichon (University of Memphis) to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, October, 2020.

Role: Co-PI

Murry, V. M. Implications of Black Lives Matter Social Movement on Prosocial Development and Academic and Vocational Aspirations of Rural African American Youth. Submitted to Spencer Foundation, July 2020

Role: PI

Murry, V. M. Examining Challenges to Educational Outcomes of Youth in Rural Communities: Cascading Effects of COVID-19 and Digital Divide. Submitted to Spencer Foundation, June 2020.

GRANTS – Continuation and Newly Funded

PCORI

11/01/2020-10/31/2023

Diabetes Medical Nutrition Therapy in Southeastern African-American Women. This study will test the comparative effectiveness of two evidence-based and tailored strategies to improve patient-centered, diabetes outcomes among African American women.

Role: Co-PI. (Dr. Stephania Miller-Hughes, Meharry Medical College, PI)

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative (CZI) 12/31/2018- 09/30/2021

Science of Learning Development (SoLD) Project. Consortium Collaboration of Researchers to focus the Build Blocks for Learning (BBFL) model to identify key constructs that need to be enhanced to promote educational and life successes among these diverse young people.

(Role: Co-Investigator and Lead Scientist with Dr. Richard Lerner, Tufts University).

VICTR/Meharry Vanderbilt Alliance 05/01/2018-06/30/2021

Tennessee Health Care Campaign and Rural Health Team, designed to document patterns of hospital closing in rural TN communities, and its spillover effects on health access, health management, and system level change in communities.

(Role: PI and Jacy Warrell from THCC serves as Co-PI)

Tennessee Center for AIDS Research, NIAID, 2015-2020 (Role: Co-I). 2016-2024

Increasing PrEP Uptake and Adherence among Young Black Men who have Sex with Men in Memphis, TN research project, 2016-2019 (Role: Co-PI)

Prevention of Adolescent Risky Behaviors: Neural Markers of Intervention Effects
NIDA and NIAAA (Role: PI). (2016-2021)

NIH/NIDA

08/01/17– 11/30/22

Prevention of Adolescent Risky Behaviors: Neural Markers of Intervention Effects

Role: Co-PI

NIH/NCATS 06/27/2012 – 06/30/2022
The Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical and Translational Research (VICTR) UL1
Role: Co-Director, Community Engagement Research Core

P30 AI110527 05/30/2015-06/30/2020
Tennessee Center for AIDS Research, Vanderbilt University/Meharry Medical College
Role: Co-I

P30 (Supplement to Core Grant AI11052 09/1/2016-05/31/2019
National Institute on Mental Health, Division of AIDS Research/Centers for Disease Control
Increasing PrEP Uptake and Adherence among Young Black Men who have Sex with Men
(YBMSM).
Role: Co-PI

Professional organizations and committees

Member of the review panel: The Spencer Foundation, 2020-2021

Search Committee Member: Editor of Child Development, 2012-2013

Co-Editor and Publication Advisory Board Member, Handbook of Child Psychology, 7th edition,
Appointment, 2010-2015

OTHER RESEARCH INITIATIVES

Founder and Co-Organizer of Boys of Color Collaborators Workgroup Conference, 2013
Boys of Color Initiative Conference, May 2014, funded by Society for Research on Child
Development.

2013, Developed, American Psychological Association/Black Entertainment Network National
Youth Health Information and Knowledge Survey. Survey will be administered nationally
and internationally to youth of color to assess risk behavior knowledge, sources of
information, and preferred information source. Information will be used to inform and
guide preventive interventions that will be undertaken by Black Entertainment Network
through their social media outreach.

Launched national survey American Psychological Association/Black Entertainment Network
National Youth Health Information and Knowledge Survey March 2014.

2014 Developed APA/BET Public Health Forum Collaboration with Kirstin Hage, Psychologist of
Department of Defense Educational Activity schools in Germany.

2015, SRCD Proposal Submitted and Funded to host 2016 Special Topics Meeting: Babies,
Boys and Men of Color, Tampa FL., October 6-8, 2016. Organizers: Drs. Diane Hughes

(NYU), Oscar Barbarin (University of Maryland, CP), Velma McBride Murry (Vanderbilt University), and Howard Stevenson, Jr. (U of Penn).

2019-2022 – Steering Committee Chair, Coordinating Center for the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) Helping to End Addition Long-Term (HEAL) Prevention Initiative, Research Triangle Institute, NC