

July 24, 2019

Strengthening  
Chicago's  
Youth



## Letter from the Director

Greetings!,

This Saturday, July 27 marks the 100th anniversary of the Chicago Race Riots of 1919. These events began to shape the racial divides that changed the sociopolitical landscape of our city. Community **conversations and events** will be taking place around in Chicago this weekend as well as throughout the **year** to commemorate this moment in history. We hope by remembering and reflecting on these events from the past, we can work together towards understanding and amending the problems we have today.

In Peace,

Dion McGill  
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Strengthening Chicago's Youth  
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## FEATURED ARTICLE: BUILDING COMMUNITY AND NURTURING RESILIENCE

### Essential Tools for Creating and Sustaining Effective Mentoring Programs for Males of Color

Join the [Chicago Mentoring Collaborative](#) and community of Chicago-based practitioners in exploring asset-based approaches to mentoring male youth color. Learn best practices in launching, sustaining, and innovating mentoring programs that lead to effective outcomes. Mentoring practitioners across the K-16 spectrum are encouraged to attend this conference. Participants may qualify to earn Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDUs) credits.



Wednesday, August 28, 2019  
8:30 am - 6:30 pm  
DePaul University's Lincoln Park Campus  
2320 N. Kenmore Ave  
Chicago, IL 60614

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## TRAUMA-INFORMED POLICYMAKING

### Leading Change in Illinois

The [Illinois ACEs Response Collaborative](#) is excited to announce their next free webinar. Increasingly used in organizational transformation and service delivery contexts, the trauma-informed framework is equally as important for policymaking and budget/resource allocation--especially give that policies have caused significant trauma to families and communities, and continue to do so today. Join them to hear about the new Trauma-Informed Policymaking Tool and learn from groups using TI practices in their policy and advocacy work.

Monday, July 29, 2019  
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
Online

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## BACK TO SCHOOL

### The Importance of Children's Mental Health & Access To Treatment

Join this webinar to find out how to prepare for the new school year. Attendees will learn about the value of children's mental health treatment, trends in society, the importance of normalizing development with psychiatric intervention when identified early and the challenges created by the nationwide shortage of psychiatrists.

Tuesday, August 6, 2019  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  
Online



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## CRASH COURSE IN SOCIAL & EQUITABLE DESIGN

Half Day

There are many social challenges in the world, some more complex than others. In this 4 hour event, [The Graffiti Gym](#) with attendees will collaboratively tackle a problem using their Social & Equitable Design process. Attendees will leave with a core understanding of how to identify and map power and privilege dynamics as it relates to an institution and community, what team and community gaps you may have to fill with intention, how to do user interviews, conduct group ideation, and finally how to prototype and test solutions.

Saturday, August 24, 2019  
9:30 am - 1:30 pm  
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3455 West North Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60647

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## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

7th Annual Conference on Adolescent Health

The [Adolescent Health Initiative](#) is proud to issue a Call for Proposals for breakout sessions, oral presentations, and poster presentations. The 2020 Conference will feature sessions on clinical care, innovative programming, quality improvement, substance abuse, sexual and mental health, and other related topics within adolescent health. Conference attendees include a multi-disciplinary audience of physicians, nurses, health educators, social workers, researchers, and other professionals and students in the field.



### Submission Deadline

Friday, September 13, 2019

### Conference Dates

Monday, April 20, 2020 and  
Tuesday, April 21, 2020

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## NEW REPORT

[Equipping Housing Providers to Open Doors to Housing for People with Criminal Records](#)

In Illinois, 50% of the population is estimated to have an arrest or conviction record. That's nearly 5 million people who face barriers to finding stable housing, which has proven to be foundational for employment success, family stability, and overall well-being. [Heartland Alliance](#) has released *Win-Win: Equipping Housing Providers to Open Doors to Housing for People with Criminal Records*, a report that recommends a number of policies and practices—ranging from small changes to the more robust—for housing providers to use to increase housing opportunities for people with criminal records.

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