

June 17, 2020

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Letter from the Interim Executive Director

Greetings!,

This Friday, June 19th, also known as Juneteenth -- commemorates the day in 1865 when enslaved African Americans were told they were finally free. It has yet to be declared a national holiday but is celebrated annually by many. Car parades, rallies and group bike rides are just some of the events taking place across several communities [here in Chicago](#). SCY looks forward to continuing to work with our partners to address the challenges that still exist while building a more equitable and inclusive city.

Sincerely,

Leslie Helmcamp
Interim Executive Director
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BLOG HIGHLIGHT **Trying to Hold Things Together**

This week's blog is written by Dion McGill, SCY Communications and Community Outreach Manager.

"Recent events have opened an old wound."
~ Anonymous

I seem to be hearing that statement a lot as of late. In case we've never met, I, Dion McGill, am black. The aforementioned statement was made to me by a colleague yesterday, following a conference call, and while I have not made the statement myself, it's been swirling around in my head a lot as of late. As a black man, born and raised on the Southside of Chicago, I can't be in the midst of all of the current discussions of race and racism and not begin to recount the many encounters I've had on my personal journey.

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ICTC JUNE CONVENING

Reflecting on Civil Unrest and Social Injustices

Join the [Illinois Childhood Trauma Coalition](#) for this event to serve to hold space for partners to reflect on the civil unrest and social injustices and begin to discuss how to work together. While many are energized to meet around the virtual table, there is acknowledgement that for many these conversations around racism are not new and the past weeks' events have added to an already fervent exhaustion. ICTC respects and supports each individual's decision to attend or not attend this month's convening and assure attendees that discussions around the intersection of trauma, racism and inequity are a dialogue that ICTC will continue to push forward this month and beyond.

Thursday, June 18, 2020
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Online



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A CONSTANT STRUGGLE

Reporting on Black Resistance and Getting It Right

Join [Public Narrative](#), [Local Voices Network](#), [Injustice Watch](#), for an intergenerational discussion. Discuss how the media is covering the latest wave of Black resistance and suggest strategies for improvement.

Friday, June 19, 2020
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Online



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THE POWER OF TELEHEALTH IN PRIMARY CARE

Pragmatic Adoption and Integration Across the Care Continuum

This webinar will explore the current telehealth landscape and examine essential telehealth components (interstate licensure, practice principles, clinical standards, reimbursement, health policy and advocacy). Effective integration and utilization of telehealth in reaching patients with vital health care services through pragmatic and sustainable care delivery models will be discussed.

Wednesday, June 24, 2020
1:00 pm
Online

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MANAGING, REDUCING, AND PREVENTING FEAR OF VIOLENCE

A Virtual Workshop

The role of fear in violence globally is complex and important. As our understanding of global violence advances, so has awareness of the deleterious effects of exposure to fear on human development and on exacerbating collective violence. The Forum on Global Violence Prevention of the [National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine](#) will convene a two day workshop focused on: the biological impacts of fear and trauma on the body system, racism and xenophobia, how perception/misperception, culture, and the media influence far in relationship to violence, and more.

Tuesday, July 21 through
Thursday, July 23, 2020
12:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Online

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VOICES OF CHILD HEALTH IN CHICAGO REPORT

On Fathers Day: Examining Dads' and Kids' Health

In this month's [Voices of Child Health in Chicago](#) report, they are focusing on fathers in honor of Father's Day. Some report highlights include: dads were more likely than moms to report using their local park; dads and moms agree that gun violence is the leading social concern affecting youth health in Chicago; dads were similar to moms in terms of their rates of self-reported physical and mental health problems, but dads were less likely than moms to have had a routine physical exam in the last year.



Voices of Child Health in Chicago

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