

October 21, 2020

Strengthening
Chicago's
Youth



Letter from the Interim Executive Director

Greetings!,

SCY's violence prevention initiatives have always been focused on the city's most impacted communities, while working closely with other public health and community engagement efforts within Lurie Children's Hospital. This month, the hospital announced the launch of the Patrick M. Magoon Institute for Healthy Communities to unify and align these efforts within our institution. This new institute will be one of the very few of its kind at a children's hospital acting as a hub for leading community-focused initiatives. It will also lead Lurie Children's efforts to address the root causes of health disparities. SCY is thrilled to be a part of the Magoon Institute and hopes that this shift will amplify the impact of our collective work to create better lives for all youth in Chicago.

Sincerely,

Leslie Helmcamp
Interim Executive Director
Strengthening Chicago's Youth
Injury Prevention and Research Center
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

FEATURED ARTICLE: SCY QUARTERLY MEETING **SCY'S Policy Agenda Progress and Update**

This virtual meeting will focus on SCY's Policy Agenda -- progress on our 2019-2020 policy priorities and development of our 2021-2022 focus. A panel of policymakers will open the meeting discussing their policy visions and legislative priorities related to violence prevention, access to mental health, justice reform, addressing systemic racism and the COVID-19 pandemic. This will be followed by breakout groups to review, revise and redefine SCY's Policy Agenda for the next two years.

Join SCY and partners across Chicago to explore the role you and your organization can play in addressing these issues, discuss asset-based solutions, and promote the health and healing of all Chicagoans.

Tuesday, November 17, 2020
9:00 am - 11:30 am
Online (*via Zoom*)

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ALL OCTOBER

Virtual Restorative Justice Conference

The goal of this year's conference is to provide the community with month -long strategies to cope in these extreme times. As in past years, this year's conference will bring together local activists and teachers, community leaders, and passionate individuals.

Friday, October 23, 2020
10:00 am - 8:15 pm
Online

Wednesday, October 28, 2020
10:00 am - 8:15 pm
Online

Friday, October 30, 2020
10:00 am - 8:00 am
Online

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ANNUAL CHILD MALTREATMENT SYMPOSIUM 2020

Child Abuse Pediatrics

The Protective Services Team invites all professionals whose work involves interaction with child abuse and neglect to the 2020 annual symposium. This is a continuing education event designed to educate physicians and professionals from all disciplines who care for children. Presented by internationally and nationally known experts in the area of child maltreatment and sponsored by [Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine](#), this symposium aims to help medical and other professionals expand their knowledge about child maltreatment.

Thursday, October 22, 2020
9:00 am - 3:20 pm
Online



AND

Friday, October 23, 2020
8:00 am - 12:10 pm
Online

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MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

A Primer for Public Health Professionals and Communities

[Mental Health First Aid](#) is a skills-based training course that teaches participants about mental health and substance-use issues. More importantly, it's a tool that public health leaders across the United States have begun to employ to engage in early detection and intervention around signs and symptoms of specific illnesses. In this interactive and engaging sessions, you'll hear from Tramaine EL-Amin, assistant vice president of strategic partnerships for Mental Health First Aid, and Elizabeth Guroff, MA, LCMFT, director of trauma-informed services for [National Council](#).

Thursday, October 22, 2020
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

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STATE OF HEALTH OF CHICAGO IS HERE!

Grand Convening

From September 2020 through June 2021, the [Institute of Medicine of Chicago](#) (IOMC) will host fully online virtual learning sessions to promote the "State of Health of Chicago 2020-2021 (SOHOC)." In its 105th year, IOMC announces the theme for 2020-2021 Collaboration for Systemic Change in the Time of a Pandemic: WE CAN DO BETTER.



Friday, October 23, 2020
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Online

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RACISM IS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

Reimagining and Redefining Public Safety

"Violence" is often used to label the visible response of people who have endured traumatic experiences rooted in a system originally designed to deny the human rights of Black People. Unaddressed public policy, institutional and systemic oppression, and anti-Black racism, including physical violence against Black people, continues to preserve our government's original intent. Challenging how we see "violence" and understanding who the beneficiaries are of government "safety protocols" is the critical, anti-racist work of health equity.

Saturday, October 24, 2020
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Online



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UNDERSTANDING TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE AND CULTURAL HUMILITY

Impact on Supporting Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Join this event for a dynamic discussion around supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Experts in trauma informed care and cultural humility will share key considerations that impact programming and support approaches. Participants are invited to share your experiences, challenges and successes in integrating this approach to service delivery.

Thursday, October 29, 2020
12:00 pm
Online

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ADDRESSING RACIAL TRAUMA IN THE CLINICAL SETTING

Continue the Conversation

Understanding how racial trauma affects the mental, emotional, and physical health of your Black clients is only the beginning of helping them work through their trauma. Join this event to hear Jamila Holcomb, Ph.D., LMFT, continue the conversation on racial trauma and how clinicians and organizations can help Black clients in the clinical setting.

Thursday, October 29, 2020
1:00 pm
Online

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KEEPING A 20/20 FOCUS DURING CHALLENGING TIMES

University of Michigan Injury Prevention Center 2020 Virtual Inaugural Research Symposium

The [University of Michigan Injury Prevention Center](#) has organized a unique event for researchers, post-doctoral fellows, and student to disseminate research, facilitate new collaborations, and explore ideas for new research in injury prevention science. The symposium will emphasize these injury prevention topics: opioid overdose, suicide, adverse childhood experiences, motor vehicle crash, youth violence and more.



Friday, November 20, 2020
7:30 am - 12:00 pm
Online

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NEWSLETTER CONTENT

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