The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Research on Women’s Health (ORWH) presents:

Diverse Voices: COVID-19, Intersectionality, and the Health of Women Speaker Series

Analysis and Action: Applications of Intersectionality in COVID-19

THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2021, 1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. ET

FEATURING:

Lisa Bowleg, Ph.D., M.A.
Professor, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences; Founding Director, Intersectionality Training Institute, George Washington University; Director, Social and Behavioral Sciences, The District of Columbia Center for AIDS Research

Lisa Bowleg, Ph.D., M.A., is Professor of Applied Social Psychology in the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences and the Founding Director of the Intersectionality Training Institute at The George Washington University and the Director of the Social and Behavioral Sciences Core of the DC Center for AIDS Research. She is a leading scholar in the application of intersectionality to social and behavioral science research, as well as research focused on HIV prevention and social–structural stressors in Black communities. Following is a list of her current projects: (1) Strengths and Stresses, an R01 funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), examines intersectional stress, substance use, co-occurring negative health outcomes, and protective factors among Black men at different intersections of sexual identity and socioeconomic status; (2) a NIDA-funded administrative supplement to Strengths and Stresses focuses on Black bisexual men; (3) Promoting Reductions in Intersectional Stigma, an R21 funded by the National Institute of Mental Health, develops measures of multilevel intersectional stigma for Black men who have sex with men in Washington, DC, and Jackson, MS; and (4) the W.K Kellogg Foundation–funded Intersectionality Checklist Project will inform more intersectional and equitable maternal and child health policy. She is an Associate Editor at the American Journal of Public Health (AJPH) and the editor of AJPH’s Perspectives From the Social Sciences section.

Tonia Poteat, Ph.D., PA-C, M.P.H.
Associate Professor, Department of Social Medicine, University of North Carolina School of Medicine

Tonia Poteat, Ph.D., PA-C, M.P.H., is an Associate Professor of Social Medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC), core faculty in the UNC Center for Health Equity Research, and a physician assistant certified in HIV medicine and gender-affirming clinical care. Her research, teaching, and practice focus on LGBTQ+ health with particular attention to the role of intersectional stigma in driving health inequities. She has more than 20 years of experience providing medical care for transgender adults and people living with HIV, and she has conducted community-engaged research on LGBTQ+ adults for more than a decade.

The June 24, 2021, session will feature a conversation between Drs. Bowleg and Poteat. Dr. Bowleg will discuss her commentary piece in AJPH titled We’re Not All in This Together: On COVID-19, Intersectionality, and Structural Inequality. Dr. Poteat will speak about her AJPH article titled Navigating the Storm: How to Apply Intersectionality to Public Health in Times of Crisis.

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ORWH’s virtual speaker series titled “Diverse Voices: COVID-19, Intersectionality, and the Health of Women” aims to disseminate key COVID-19 research findings that (1) are relevant to diverse groups of women and (2) incorporate a multidimensional sex-and-gender focus.

The purpose of the speaker series is to increase public awareness, understanding, and engagement with COVID-19 research. Each session of the series will include the author(s) of a paper relevant to the health of women; in plain language, speakers will present specific takeaways from their publication for researchers, clinicians, and the public. The speaker series will amplify research relevant to the health of women and will support informed decisions by diverse women about participation in therapeutic and vaccine trials and other research.


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