

CUMULATIVE GRIEF IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY

DESCRIPTION:

Disproportionate COVID-19 deaths, due in part to healthcare disparities, and recent social unrest over systemic racism, have brought the experiences of Black Americans into sharp focus. This webinar examines how centuries of inequity and trauma, both acknowledged and ignored, have manifested as cumulative grief in the Black community; how that reality impacts health, health care, death, and loss; and what can be done to affect positive long-term change.

PROGRAM DETAILS:

This presentation features an experienced professional offering her own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to hear the expert talking and presenting. If you login for the live version of the program, you'll also have the opportunity to email or text the expert questions that she will discuss and answer during the program's Q & A session.

LIVE DATE:	August 25, 2020
TIME:	Noon to 1:30pm ET
ON DEMAND:	Available for 1 year; until August 24, 2021
LENGTH:	90 minutes
CEs:	1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards
CE FEE:	Included with registration
CONTENT LEVEL:	The program is mainly for professionals already working in the field, but is practical for all levels of education – entry level, intermediate or advanced.
TARGET AUDIENCE:	Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice, palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith community environments

This program will be live on the air date, recorded and made available for on demand viewing. The recorded program will be available approximately a day after the live event.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

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TEST LINK for Audio and Video: <https://zoom.us/test>

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PROGRAM FEES/MATERIALS:

As there are no refunds on registration (all registrations have immediate access to program video & materials), please be sure to test the system requirements prior to purchase.

Individual Registration

(one viewer per program)

Member: \$17.40

Non-member: \$29.00

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(2+ viewers)

Member: \$75

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How To REGISTER:

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

1. Define grief.
 2. Understand the Black American context for grief.
 3. Recognize cultural expressions of grief and mourning in the Black culture.
 4. Define patterns unique to the grief experiences of Black families bereaved by loss from developmental, historical, contextual, and social justice perspectives.
 5. Reflect on effective grief support for Black Americans.
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PROGRAM OUTLINE:

- I. Define terms: Complex Trauma, Intersectionality, Microaggression (10 minutes)
 - II. Current dual pandemics: COVID-19/health disparities & Systematic racism (15 minutes)
 - III. Define Grief, examine what grief is and is not (10 minutes)
 - IV. Black American Worldviews on Death & leading causes of death (10 minutes)
 - V. Factors that complicate grieving in Black Americans (15 minutes)
 - VI. Needs of grieving persons & resources (10 minutes)
 - VII. Applications for Grief support (15 minutes)
 - VIII. Question and Answer Session (5-10 minutes)
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CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) CREDITS:

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EXPERT PANELISTS:

Corey L. Kennard, MACM, is Pastor of Amplify Christian Church, manager of Patient Experience at Ascension St. John Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, and also serves as an activist in the field of healthcare. His holistic approach (body, mind, and spirit) serves as the foundation for his desire to see all human beings treated with dignity, honor, and respect in all facets of life. Corey has been involved in the field of healthcare for over 20 years with over a decade of experience in the areas of Palliative Care and Hospice. He currently seeks to enhance the patient/family experience in healthcare settings. His work has also included leading a spiritual care team at one of Detroit's largest hospitals, and formerly serving as a Faculty Lead for Duke University's Institute on Care at the End Of Life (ICEOL) national training program called, "APPEAL." He had also served as a National Advisory Board Member for the Hospice Foundation of America, and as a Co-Director of a Community Faith "Advance Care Planning" Project for the University of Virginia. Corey earned a Masters Degree from Ashland Theological Seminary and carries out his passion for people as a daring and devoted agent of change.

Rev. Cynthia Carter Perrilliat, MPA, has over 25 years of experience as a change agent in healthcare, marketing and communications, biotechnologies and community organizations. Over the last 15 years, she has focused on end of life care program development and educational training in the African American, Latinx and Asian communities. As part of VITAS Healthcare, Rev. Cynthia established a targeted compassionate care approach to communities of color, which was adopted and replicated across the 17-state footprint of VITAS. She also served as faculty member of the Duke University APPEAL program, a Palliative Care Educational Curriculum for African Americans at the end of life.

REVIEWER:

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BIBLIOGRAPHY/REFERENCES:

Other organization's websites:

Association for Death Education and Counseling

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