

EBRC Adaptations Guide Release Webinar

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Humberto Carvalho is a Public Health Advisor under the Policy Lab. He has over 20 years of experience in the public health field and he has worked domestically and internationally in several projects funded by the US government. Humberto holds a Master's in Public Health Leadership with concentration in Epidemiology from UNC Chapel Hill and he has been with SAMHSA for almost 10 years.



Director, Office of Behavioral Health Equity

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Dr. Mary Roary is a public health epidemiologist who focuses on infectious and chronic diseases. Dr. Roary is currently the Director of the Office of Behavioral Health Equity (OBHE) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). She is also an Adjunct Professor at The Catholic University of America. She has worked across government, academia, and the private industry. Dr. Roary has worked in two components of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) since 2013 as a Program Director and Officer. At NIH, Dr. Roary was responsible for Health Promotion, Disease Prevention, Environmental Influences, Health Disparities, low resources in the “IDeA States” and Child Health portfolio. Dr. Roary has developed national funding opportunities, overseen complex budgets, mentored investigators in developing project grants, and disseminated research findings to stakeholders.



Angela Weeks, DBA

Director, Center of Excellence: LGBTQ+ Behavioral Health Equity

Member of the Technical Expert Panel

Angela Weeks, DBA brings extensive national experience creating, implementing, and evaluating programs and initiatives that improve the lives of LGBTQ+ people and communities. She has led the development of LGBTQ+ trainings and tools, policy revisions, webinars series, supported the design and implementation of interventions to support LGBTQ+ youth, and maintained resource databases and websites. In addition to directing this Center, Angela is the Project Director for The National Quality Improvement Center on Tailored Services, Placement Stability, and Permanency for LGBTQ2S Children and Youth in Foster Care (QIC-LGBTQ2S). She has helped develop, implement, and evaluate 15 different LGBTQ+ programs and initiatives for LGBTQ+ foster youth, their families, and the workforce that serves them. She also has extensive experience supporting LGBTQ+ populations experiencing homelessness and the juvenile justice system.



Shelley Craig, PhD, RSW, LCSW

Canada Research Chair in Sexual and Gender Minority Youth

Case Example

Dr. Shelley L. Craig is Full Professor at the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work (FIFSW) at the University of Toronto and Canada Research Chair in Sexual and Gender Minority Youth (SGMY). Shelley's program of research, based on twenty-five years of community and clinical practice, is focused on developing affirmative programs and clinical interventions to cultivate the resilience of SGMY, exploring the role of digital technologies on youth mental health and exploring competencies in social work. She has co-developed and tested the first evidence-informed interventions for SGMY mental health including AFFIRMative Caregiver (for parents and caregivers of SGMY) as well as AFFIRM (an affirmative cognitive-behavioral group intervention), which has been translated into multiple languages and implemented across the globe. She has published over 150 academic papers, has served as principal investigator on over 35 studies and served on many Boards of Directors that serve marginalized communities.



Shauna Humpherys, MS, LPC

Behavioral Health Director, Choctaw Nation Health Services Authority

Case Example

Dorothea "Shauna" Humphreys, M.S., LPC currently serves as the Choctaw Nation Behavioral Health Director. Shauna has been an employee of the Choctaw Nation for fourteen years where she has served fellow tribal members through various roles and programs which include being the hospital social worker, an outreach worker, a counselor, and coordinating suicide prevention/substance use programs. Shauna received her M.S. from East Central University in 2012 and later earned her Licensed Professional Counselor certification in 2014. Her passion has always been in helping others and especially serving fellow tribal members. Shauna resides around Talihina, Oklahoma where she spends her free time with her husband, Steven, and their five children.



April Silas, PhD

Executive Director, HCNKids and Ma'at Program

Case Example

Dr. April Y. Silas, Executive Director of Homeless Children's Network (HCN), has been a thought leader and resounding voice for change in the Black/African American and LGBTQIA+ communities in San Francisco for more than 30 years. A visionary respected locally and nationally for her leadership in community-based Black/African American and homeless advocacy, she has served as HCN's Executive Director since 1992. Dr. Silas is the driving force behind HCN's groundbreaking Ma'at Program—a supportive, holistic therapeutic community, in which HCN centers and works with Black/African American families in San Francisco. The vision of Ma'at is to support adolescents, their families, and communities to passionately and unconditionally affirm Blackness. Dr. Silas was recently appointed to serve on the Mayor's LGBTQI+ Advisory Committee for the San Francisco Human Rights Commission.



Rucha Londhe, PhD

Senior Evaluation Associate and Co-Director Equity Capability Center, Abt Associates

Guide Lead

Rucha Londhe, PhD, is an experienced human development specialist, evaluator, researcher, and TA provider with a demonstrated history of working in education and health industries. Dr. Londhe is an expert at using an equity lens for all her work whether it is implementation and impact evaluations, training and technical assistance, content writing, resource development, or community outreach. Dr. Londhe has multiple experiences conducting community-based participatory research and evaluations with diverse populations including immigrants and Native American Tribes.