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**REFRAMING 2021: STARTING A NEW YEAR
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DECEMBER 10, 2020
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM EST

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- 10:00 – 10:45 AM **Welcome**
Deborah Frazier, National Healthy Start Association
Link to join presentation: <https://bit.ly/39OfsuI> (registration link)
- Opening Remarks**
Lee Wilson, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Division of Healthy Start and Perinatal Services
- History of the National Healthy Start Association**
Deborah Frazier, National Healthy Start Association
- 11:00 – 11:45 AM **COVID-19: Challenges, Implications, and Recommendations for Community Health**
Tabia Henry Akintobi, PhD, MPH, Morehouse School of Medicine
Link to join presentation: <https://bit.ly/3lwDNr2>
- 12:00 – 12:45 PM **Risk-Stratified Care Coordination Reduces Racial Disparities in a High Infant Mortality Community**
Cathy Kothari, PhD & Terra Bautista, Healthy Babies Healthy Start
Link to join presentation: <https://bit.ly/2JEnmVL>
- 1:00 – 1:45 PM **John Henry and the Paradox of African American Manhood**
Derek M. Griffith, PhD, Vanderbilt University
Link to join presentation: <https://bit.ly/2Vuzlys>
- 2:00 – 2:45 PM **The Impact of Gynecological Experimentation on Black Maternal Health Outcomes**
Deidre McDaniel, MSW, LCSW, Morgan State University
Link to join presentation: <https://bit.ly/3lG0byx>
- 2:45 – 3:00 PM **Closing Remarks (immediately following final presentation)**
Sheree H. Keitt, DrPH, MPH, CHES, National Healthy Start Association

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DEBORAH FRAZIER

Deborah Frazier currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer for the National Healthy Start Association. Ms. Frazier has a stellar national reputation having spent 30 years of her professional career in the field of maternal and child health. She is a past member of the HHS Secretary's Committee on Infant Mortality (SACIM), and the former Director of the Division of Child and Adolescent Health for the State of Arkansas. Ms. Frazier has a long and very rich history with Healthy Start and the Association serving as grantee evaluator, technical advisor to projects, Project Director for New Orleans Healthy Start, founding member of the Association and past board member.



LEE WILSON

Lee Wilson serves as Director for the Division of Healthy Start and Perinatal Services in HRSA's Maternal and Child Health Bureau, leading efforts to promote perinatal, infant and women's health, as well as prevent and reduce maternal and infant mortality. Previously, he served as Senior Policy Advisor in the Bureau working to advance policies and programs that support maternal, women, and child health. He has made significant contributions through his work on the Women's Preventive Services Initiative, which ensures coverage of preventive services and screenings for women, and on the design of the Bureau's maternal health programs. Mr. Wilson began his work in HHS as a Presidential Management Intern at the National Institutes of Health, where he worked on the creation of the National Institute for Deafness and Communication Disorders and on the Community Partnership Program to Prevent Substance Abuse. He then moved to ADAMHA, now SAMHSA, where much of his work focused on advancing the use of evidence-based models in prevention and treatment programs. He developed the Agency's tobacco control program, mandating state enforcement of state laws prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors. In 2006, Mr. Wilson moved to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation as Director of Public Health Services Policy. There, he led the development of the Essential Health Benefits requirements in the Affordable Care Act, the development of evidence-based guidelines for women's preventive services and screenings, and design elements of the Mental Health Parity and Addictions Equity Act. Following his work at ASPE, he moved to HRSA as the Associate Administrator for Regional Operations.

Mr. Wilson holds degrees from Gordon College and Duke University. He was selected as an Atlantic Fellow by the British Council in 2002 and was presented with the Freedom of the City of London in 2003. He and his partner live in Gaithersburg, MD.

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TABIA HENRY AKINTOBI, PHD, MPH

Tabia Henry Akintobi is a health equity champion leading or collaborating in the implementation of translational research and participatory evaluations that address health disparities and advance community or population health transformation. As Principal Investigator of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-funded Morehouse School of Medicine Prevention Research Center, she demonstrates leadership in local, national and global community-based participatory approaches and research addressing health disparities. She leads or collaborates in several federally-funded initiatives including CDC, Office of Minority Health, and National Institutes of Health, and privately-funded initiatives that model community-driven research, including but not limited to the Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance, Georgia Center for Diabetes Translational Research and The Center for Translational Research in Health Disparities. She is Community Engagement Senior Advisor for The National COVID-19 Resiliency Network (NCRN): Mitigating the Impact of COVID-19 on Vulnerable Populations, a network that will be leveraged, given its complementary approaches focused on health communication, rather than the COVID-19 testing strategies, specific to the proposed project. She is also the principal investigator for the Georgia Community Engagement Alliance (CEAL), Against COVID-19 Disparities. The overall goal of this initiative is to understand factors that contribute to the disproportionate burden of COVID-19 in underserved communities and establish effective, community-engaged research and outreach response, with a particular emphasis on vaccine readiness

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CATHY KOTHARI, PHD

Cathy Kothari has been lead evaluator for the Healthy Babies Healthy Start program since 2006. She is an Associate Professor in Epidemiology/Biostatistics at Western Michigan University Homer Stryker MD School of Medicine, and lead epidemiologist for the Cradle Kalamazoo Initiative. Her research focuses upon social determinants of health, health services and health outcomes for topics spanning racial - socioeconomic disparities, intimate partner violence, criminal justice involvement and mental health. She co-leads the local Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) with the public health department and co-leads the FIMR/Child Death Review Health Equity Learning Collaborative on behalf of the National Center for Child Fatality Prevention and Review. She has developed a Care Coordination Registry for home visitation, and has created the Community Voice Panel, modeled on consumer panels, that consists of 74 perinatal and parenting women who have participated in focus groups, one-on-one interviews and surveys.

TERRA BAUTISTA

Terra Bautista resides in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Her journey in public health started as a home visitor for the Healthy Babies Healthy Start program (HBHS). As a home visitor she worked with pregnant women and families providing education, support, advocacy and linkages to community resources. In 2016 she transitioned into a leadership role as the program supervisor. She was instrumental in advocating for funding, developing, and implementing fatherhood support services for expecting and parenting fathers, which led to the 4Dad fatherhood program. She serves as part of the care coordination leadership team for Cradle Kalamazoo which coordinates frontline workers community-wide in the community and clinical setting.

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DEREK M. GRIFFITH, PHD

Dr. Derek M. Griffith is Professor of Medicine, Health and Society, and the Founder and Director of the Center for Research on Men's Health at Vanderbilt University. Trained in psychology and public health, Dr. Griffith has collaborated with colleagues in Canada, Ireland, New Zealand and the United States to address institutional racism, to pursue health equity, and specializes in promoting Latino and African American men's health. Dr. Griffith has published more than 125 peer-reviewed manuscripts and is a contributor to and an editor of two recent books – *Men's Health Equity: A Handbook*, and *Racism: Science and Tools for the Public Health Professional*. He has been awarded grants from the American Cancer Society, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and several National Institutes of Health institutes. He is a member of the editorial boards of the *American Journal of Men's Health*, *Ethnicity & Disease*, *Health Education & Behavior*, *International Journal of Men's Social and Community Health*, *Psychology of Men and Masculinities*, and *Public Health Reports*. Dr. Griffith is a Fellow of the American Academy of Health Behavior and he won the Tom Bruce Award from the Community-Based Public Health Caucus of the American Public Health Association for his research on "eliminating health disparities that vary by race, ethnicity and gender."



DEIDRE MCDANIEL, MSW, LCSW

Deidre McDaniel, MSW, LCSW is a Doctoral Fellow at Morgan State University with over 20 years of experience in maternal & child health. Ms. McDaniel provides guidance to state agencies, healthcare systems, and public/private organizations on how to successfully implement and sustain equitable quality improvement projects to address disparities in maternal morbidity and mortality. Ms. McDaniel's research focuses on anti-racist healthcare practices and eliminating disparities in birth outcomes for African American women. Ms. McDaniel employs a critical equity framework through which to understand all health care systems, policies, and practices, and has dedicated her career to improving the health and well-being of African American women and children.