



**The NJ Statewide Network for Cultural Competence
7th Annual Conference**

December 4, 2018

The Professional Center at the Division of Children and Families (DCF)
30 Van Dyke Ave.,
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

**Living with Disability: Accessing & Improving Culturally & Linguistically
Appropriate Services**

Goals

Participants will be able to:

- Raise awareness about diversity and disparities experienced by diverse populations living with disability throughout the life cycle
- Share information resources and assistive technologies to help improve disability literacy and the health and well-being of individuals, families, and communities
- Foster networking and multi-sectoral partnerships among parent/family advocacy groups; disability and human services agencies; libraries; workplaces; and health care, mental health, community, and governmental organizations

Conference Schedule:

AM

8:00 - 9:00 - Registration, Networking and Continental Breakfast

9:00- 9:15 - Welcome and Opening Remarks

Dr. Robert Like, MD, MS, Chair, NJSNCC

9:15 - 10:15- Keynote Address: **Health Disparities at the Intersection of Disability, Race, and Ethnicity**

Tawara Goode, MA, Director, National Center for Cultural Competence (NCCC), and Director, Georgetown University Center for Child & Human Development (GUCCHD), University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities

Objectives:

- Define and have a shared understanding of health disparities, health care disparities, health inequities, and health equity
- Describe the current field of knowledge about health disparities among people with disabilities (i.e. what we know and don't know)
- List four strategies that organizations concerned with disability can engage to address health disparities in partnership with individuals who experience developmental disabilities or special health care needs and their families

10:15 – 10:30 - BREAK

10:30-12:15 - Interactive Panel Discussion

Panelists: David Armstrong - Parent Leader (Family Support Organization, Essex Project LAUNCH and ECCS Parent Lead)

Shellyann Dacres, MA, Training & Consultation Specialist - The Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities, Rutgers University - Robert Wood Johnson Medical

Tawara Goode, MA - Director, NCCC, Georgetown University Center

Katrina Mickey, RN, LMSW, CCM – Nurse Manager, Regulatory Care Management Programs, Amerigroup

Nicholas Montalto, PhD - CEO, Diversity Dynamics, LLC

Nicole Pratt – PTI Senior Parent Professional Staff Trainer; FASD Project Coordinator/Trainer

Sophia Rossovsky, MEd - Executive Director, City Access New York, Inc.

Adam Szczepaniak, Jr. - Deputy State Librarian & Director, New Jersey State Library - Talking Book & Braille Center

Allison Shorey, LCSW - CEO & Executive Director, Multicultural Community Services, Inc.

Jennifer Rosen Valverde, Esq., MSW - Director of H.E.A.L (Health, Education, Advocacy and Law), Rutgers Biomedical & Health Sciences Outpatient & Pediatrics Dept.

Keva White, LCADC, LSW – President and CEO, VIP Community Services, Inc.

PM

12:15-1:45 - LUNCH & Poster Session (Video throughout lunch)
Visit the exhibit tables & poster presentations

1:45 – 3:30 – Roundtable Discussions

3:30 – 3:45 – Wrap Up, Evaluation, and Closing