



About the Healing History Web Page

The Healing History Web Page is part of the website of the [African American Behavioral Health Center of Excellence \(AABH CoE\)](#). The Center of Excellence is funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Our academic home is Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, and our charge is to eliminate behavioral health disparities and inequities for African Americans.

Understanding history and its effects on African Americans is essential to public health, behavioral health, community wellness and cohesion, health equity, and safe, effective services and support. So the AABH CoE began our pursuit of history with the 2021 publication of a self-study and discussion guide called [Healing History: Where History Meets Behavioral Health Equity for African Americans \(Woll, 2021\)](#).

The Healing History Web Page is our next step in this journey, a year-long work that will be published in six chapters, beginning in Black History Month, 2022 and finishing in Black History Month, 2023. It will combine essays on key topics in history with an abundance of links to additional resources, including songs, videos, interviews with key authors and historians, documents, and websites with many more resources.

Here are the people behind the Healing History Web Page:

- The leader of this effort is Dawn Tyus, PhD, LPC, Principal Investigator of the [African American Behavioral Health Center of Excellence](#).
- Our principal guide is Mark Sanders, LCSW, CADC, international speaker and storyteller, CEO of [On The Mark Consulting](#), and creator of the [Online Museum of African American Addictions, Treatment and Recovery](#), a wealth of resources.
- Along with Mr. Sanders, the Healing History Advisory Panel includes three of our emerging leaders: Cory M.U. Ware, MPA, Senior Training and TA Coordinator, Tanya Jules, MPH, Consultant, and Kaneisha Gaston, MPH, Training and TA Coordinator. All members of this Advisory Panel are contributing chapters to the Healing History Web Page.
- Another contributor of chapters is Pamela Woll, MA, CPS, author of the Healing History Self-Study and Discussion Guide and the architect/editor of the Healing History Web Page.
- Finally, this web page would not have been possible without the skills and enthusiasm of our website development partners at the Addiction Technology Transfer Center National Coordinating Office, particularly Erin Hobbs, MPA, Eric Barr, and the infinitely talented and patient Kayla Rossi.

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