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2025 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

We are seeking workshop proposals for the upcoming **17th Annual Community Empowerment Through Black Men Healing Conference** held on **June 26 & 27, 2025, at St. Paul College**. This year's theme is "**Black Fathers.**" The conference will focus on prenatal care and beyond by critically examining the current challenges of fathers' involvement in their children's lives while exploring culturally sensitive approaches that celebrate and uplift Black fathers.

This conference has been called "**Groundbreaking and Visionary**" since the 1st conference. The goal has been to provide an opportunity for meaningful community engagement and access to national and local educators and community practitioners to discuss and introduce practical, culturally sensitive trauma-informed initiatives. That could improve African American men's and their families' health and wellness. We realize that a thriving African American community improves the community's health and society as a whole.

"It's easy to become a baby's daddy but the real challenge is to become a father."

We are seeking submissions that will provide conference attendees with the best culturally competent and community-based strategies on the following topics:

FATHERHOOD

- Training
- Advocacy
- Pregnancy
- Co-Parenting
- Mental Health
- Preconception
- Perinatal Care
- Doula Services
- Father Programming
- Generational Trauma
- Family stability policy
- Post Birth (Postpartum)
- The Role of the Community
- The Role of The Faith Community
- Early Childhood Development (father and male involvement, education, etc.)

ADDITIONAL TOPICS

- Self Care
- Male Trauma
- Grief and loss
- Gender Issues
- Multi-generational Healing
- Policy And Systems Changes/Bias
- Healthy/Non-Violent Relationships
- Professional Self-Care and/or Healing
- State and local efforts to create culturally sensitive trauma-informed systems

Note: Open to presentations on other topics related to trauma awareness, healing, resilience, and policy change.

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Please read and complete the following form carefully.

Speaker Responsibilities

- You will need to be available on **Thursday, June 26th at 10:30 or 1 pm**
- Supply a laptop and/or the presentation on a flash drive.
- To provide an electronic PDF copy of the handout materials by **June 16, 2025**, to be posted on the conference website for the attendees to download. Or you can supply hard copies and make at least 40 to accommodate attendees on the workshop day.
- Speakers may not sell or promote a product during workshop time.** Workshops are strictly educational.

Speaker Benefits

- We will make available to you and one co-presenter free conference registration, including meals.
- We will promote the workshop and presenters through the website and by mailing them.
- We will provide (1) screen and (1) LCD Projector for each workshop. **Additional equipment will be at the presenter's expense.**

Please indicate if there will be a co-presenter

Please indicate if this will be a panel. Panels should be limited to 4, which includes you. (add panelist's contact information below).

1. Name: _____

Job Title/Professional: _____

Organization Name: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

2. Title of Proposed Workshop and brief description (limit of 1.5 hrs): Please attach a bio for yourself.

3. List (a) the goals and objectives of your workshop and (b) the expected outcomes for participants.

4. Please attach a bio for yourself.

5. Indicate your audio-visual and other workshop equipment needs.

Co-presenters

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Please attach a bio.

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Please attach a bio.

Submit your proposal to Sam Simmons at samuelsimmonsconsulting@gmail.com by the **March 14, 2025** deadline.

Notification will be sent to the **Primary** presenter by **March 24, 2025**. Submit all questions to Sam Simmons at samuelsimmonsconsulting@gmail.com. Information about the conference is available at www.brothershealing.com.

Submit your proposal Now!

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Panelists Information

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

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