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Joint Pilot Grant Awards

Building Communication Strategies Among Black Fathers and Their Youth: A Pilot Study to Develop and Disseminate Strength-based Parent-Teen Resources

Partnership: **Jillian Lucas Baker, DrPH, EdM**, from CHOP's Craig-Dalsimer Division of Adolescent Medicine's **Center for Parent and Teen Communication**, and **Joel Austin** from **Daddy University Inc**.

Project description: The team plans to examine the barriers and facilitators for Black fathers' communication with their teens (ages 12-17) about coping strategies for discrimination, racism, and mental health needs via focus groups and survey administration. They will then use these findings to develop and test the effectiveness of a parenting intervention for Black fathers in Philadelphia.

Adaptation of the Students Talking About Relationships (STAR) Curriculum for LGBTQI Youth

Partnership: **Marné Castillo, PhD, MEd**, and **Bevin Gwiazdowski, MSW**, PolicyLab members from CHOP's Adolescent Initiative and the Craig-Dalsimer Division of Adolescent Medicine, and Sydney Rolle-Stern, MPH, from the **Lutheran Settlement House**

Project description: The team seeks to address interpersonal violence among LGBTQI adolescents and young adults through the application of the ADAPT framework to modify and test the evidence-based intervention, *Students Talking About Relationships,* using implementation and qualitative research methods. *This award is sponsored in partnership with the CHOP Clinical and Translational Research Award (CTSA) program. The mission of the CHOP CTSA is to provide resources, environment, operations, and training to support and promote high-quality clinical and translational research*.

A Multimodal Approach to Exploring the Adultification of Black Girls and the Building of Community-Centered Dissemination of Findings

Partnership: **Daniela Brissett, MD**, and **Nadia Dowshen, MD, MSHP**, PolicyLab members from CHOP's Craig-Dalsimer Division of Adolescent Medicine, and **Tawanna Jones, EdD**, from **we R.E.I.G.N**: Rooting, Empowering, and Inspiring a Girl's Nation

Project description: The team aims to understand the impact of adultification on the medical and mental health outcomes of adolescents in an urban setting. More specifically, they will gather youth and their families' perspectives utilizing semi-structured qualitative interviews and innovative qualitative arts-based methods, such as photo-elicitation exercises, to identify the current experiences and potential solutions.

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Partnership Development Award

Community Guided Development of an Interprofessional Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Equity Champion Team and Bias Mitigation Strategies

Partnership: **Diana Montoya-Williams, MD, MSHP**, PolicyLab member from CHOP's Division of Neonatology, and **Jenné Johns, MPH**, from **Once Upon a Preemie, Inc**.

Project description: The team aims to form a community- and family-engaged, interdisciplinary team of 'NICU Equity Champions' who will collaboratively build a multi-institutional research agenda focused on mitigating the impact of implicit bias and racism in the CHOP and Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania NICUs.