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NICHQ Webinar

Moving the Needle on Health Equity: Two Experts Share Successful Programs and Lessons Learned

This is the second webinar in a series on health equity.

Poverty, implicit bias, racism—these are just some of the preventable social factors that contribute to persistent, unjust inequities in health outcomes for children and families. This spring, NICHQ launched a series of webinars to support individuals who are pursuing equity within the health system. Our first webinar, [Pursuing Health Equity: Start Where You Are](#), focused on what individuals can do to pursue change.

Now, we're taking the next step and highlighting **strategies children's health programs and organizations can take to move the needle towards health equity**. This second webinar in our Health Equity Series will share experiences from two health equity champions: Arthur R. James, MD, an obstetrician, gynecologist and pediatrician who has sought to improve care for underserved populations for the entirety of his medical career; and Denise Evans, MM, MA, a certified facilitator on cultural intelligence and unconscious bias.

Together, they will provide insights on:

- Successful programs that have addressed health equity
- Lessons learned about what led to those programs' successes
- Strategies that programs and organizations can use to champion health equity in their work

When: August 21, 2019, 1-2 p.m. ET

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Speakers:

Arthur R. James, MD: Former Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Pediatrics at the Ohio State University Medical Center and Nationwide Children's Hospital, James has spent his career involved in the care of underserved populations, including expanding services to indigent patients, patients using drugs, HIV positive pregnant patients, and teens; and working with states and communities to reduce infant mortality and eliminate disparities. Among many notable appointments, he founded and served as the Medical Director of Borgess Medical Center's Women's Health office; served on the Health and Human Services Secretary's Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality; and was the former Senior Policy Advisor to the Ohio Department of Health. James has received numerous local and national awards for his advocacy to achieve equity in birth outcomes, and is a frequent national speaker on infant mortality and national racial disparities.

Denise Evans MM, MA: Ms Evans is the Project Coordinator for Strong Beginnings Healthy Start Program and is a trained facilitator in the area of health equity and social justice, Cultural Intelligence (CQ), and implicit bias. She has facilitated Health Equity Social Justice dialogue sessions for local social service providers for over 8 years both locally and nationally and works closely with Michigan's state and local health departments, Michigan Public Health Institute's Center for Health Equity, and serves on the National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) Health Equity Advisory Group. As a Gamaliel trained community organizer, Evans uses her experience to provide leadership within the state and local Power to Thrive movements - joining community organizers and public health professionals to build a more equitable future for our nation's poor.

Facilitators:

Stacy Scott, PhD, MPA, NICHQ Project Director: Scott has spent the past 30 years designing and implementing programs to address health disparities in under-resourced communities. In 2016, she founded the Global Infant Safe Sleep Center, an organization with a mission to empower the world's communities to achieve equity in infant survival. She now co-directs the [National Action Partnership to Promote Safe Sleep Improvement and Innovation Network](#).

Scott Berns, MD, MPH, FAAP, NICHQ President and CEO. Berns provides strategic direction and leadership of a growing portfolio of initiatives aimed at driving change to improve children's health. He serves as principal investigator on NICHQ-led multi-million dollar federal projects: the [Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network](#) and the [National Action Partnership to Promote Safe Sleep Improvement and Innovation Network](#). Berns is a nationally recognized expert in quality improvement science in maternal and child health and has published extensively. He is passionate about the effect of prenatal care on a child's early development, committed to building the bridge between early childhood health and education, and driven to achieve health equity and find solutions that support all families.