

Racialized Populations and Mental Health Court Diversion Think Tank Day

Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute, Room 240-41, 209 Victoria St., Toronto

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| 9:30am – 10:00am | Registration |
| 10:00am – 10:15am | 'Words that come before all else' Traditional Healer: <i>Cynthia White</i> , Aboriginal Services, CAMH |
| 10:15am – 10:25am | Opening Remarks: Racialized Populations and Mental Health Court Diversion, Project Overview MC: <i>Deqa Farah</i> , Senior Manager, Mental Health & Substance Use Housing Program, Fred Victor |
| 10:25am – 10:35am | Journey Through the Justice System <i>Uppala Chandrasekera</i> , Director of Public Policy, CMHA Ontario |
| 10:35am – 10:55am | Race Based Criminal Justice Data in the Canadian Context Keynote Speaker: <i>Dr. Akwasi Owusu-Bempah</i> , Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto, Mississauga |
| 10:55am – 11:10am | Q&A |
| 11:10am – 11:25am | Morning break |
| 11:25am-11:45am | The Maddening Criminalization of Blackness in Canada Keynote Speaker: <i>Anthony Morgan</i> , Community Development Officer, Confronting Anti-Black Racism Unit, City of Toronto |
| 11:45am – 12:00pm | Q&A |
| 12:00pm – 12:45pm | Lunch |
| 12:45pm – 1:45pm | Panel Discussion – Race and Mental Health Court Diversion Moderated by: <i>Judy Virgo</i> , Mental Health Court Support Worker, Fred Victor Panelists: <i>Jordan Eastman</i> , Focus Group Participant <i>Peter Ackie</i> , Court Support Worker, Across Boundaries <i>A.J. Grant-Nicholson</i> , Policy Counsel, Mental Health Strategy, Legal Aid Ontario <i>Kimberly Roach</i> , Policy Counsel, Racialized Communities Strategy, Legal Aid Ontario |
| 1:45pm – 2:00pm | Afternoon Break |
| 2:00pm – 3:00pm | Group Discussions: How to Improve Experiences and Outcomes for Racialized Individuals with Mental Illnesses in the Justice System? |
| 3:00pm – 3:45pm | Report back from Groups |
| 3:45pm – 4:00pm | Wrap Up and Closing Remarks <i>Deqa Farah</i> , Senior Manager, Mental Health & Substance Use Housing Program, Fred Victor |



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