



General Membership Meeting

Friday, March 16, 2018

10:00AM -12:00PM

**Alameda County Public Health Department
1000 Broadway, Room 5000A, Oakland, CA 94607**

Webinar: <http://join.freeconferencecall.com/barhii>

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Violence Prevention Is Public Health

This month we will focus on violence prevention as a public health, specifically how violence impacts the health of the communities we serve and what are effective strategies to reduce violence. We would like to dive into examining violence as an epidemic health problem that can be effectively prevented and treated. The health framing is important because it recognizes that violence is a threat to the health of populations, that exposure to violence causes serious health problems.

Violence is one of the most explicit and devastating challenges we face. In the United States, homicide is the fifth leading cause of death for those under age 45. Violence not only causes injury and death; it also impacts the physical, psychological, social, and economic health and development of nearly everyone in affected communities.

In recent years we have seen an increase in the implementation of highly effective and standard health-based approaches to changing behaviors and norms that have increasingly been applied to address the problem of violence and are showing strong evidence of impact among individuals and communities. It is time that we mobilize our public health systems and methods to work with communities and other sectors to address violence head on.

Speaker:

- David Muhammad, Executive Director, National Institute of Criminal Justice Reform

Objectives:

- Explore the ways in which violence prevention is a public health issue
- Strengthen our understanding of the spectrum of violence towards community transformation
- Explore successful strategies for reducing gun violence in Oakland



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AGENDA

- 10:00** **Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements**

- 10:15** **Presentation: Violence Prevention is Public Health**

 David Muhammad (National Institute of Criminal Justice Reform)

- 10:45** **Q&A and Discussion**

- 11:40** **BARHII Updates**

- 11:45** **Closing & Next Steps**

- 12:00** **Adjourn**

****After our meeting, from 12:00pm-12:30pm, BARHII invites you to join us for some light refreshments and a moment to socialize, informally debrief, unwind, or just take a pause from the day. We hope you enjoy the falafel bar from a local Oakland eatery, Liba, and the time getting to know our BARHII team.****