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Considerations for Addressing Sexual Assault and Communities of Color

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In this interactive session, we will focus on key considerations for treatment providers as it relates to the occurrence of sexual assault within Communities of Color. We will discuss the impact of sexual assault on survivors from Communities of Color, knowledge gaps and explore the context of culture and the implications for the occurrence, accountability and intervention of sex offending behavior

Learning Goals:

- After participation in this session, attendees should be able to describe the impact of sexual assault on Communities of Color (primarily Women and Girls of Color).
- After participation in this session, attendees should be better able to differentiate between the use of culture as a pardon versus strategy for intervention
- After participation in this session, attendees should be better able to analyze their role in addressing sexual assault in Communities of Color

This workshop is rated: Adult & Youth | General | Clinical

Condencia Brade has spent over 20 years working to address sexual assault, particularly as it impacts Women and Girls of Color. Condencia is the co-founder and former Executive Director of the National Organization of Sisters of Color Ending Sexual Assault (SCESA). SCESA is an advocacy organization of Women of Color whose core work is to give voice and engage in action strategies that incorporate and address the experiences and realities of Women of Color and Communities of Color while ensuring culturally specific support for survivors of sexual assault. Condencia is also a consultant for Ujima: The National Center on Violence in the Lives of Black Women supporting initiatives both nationally and internationally addressing the intersection of sexual assault and other public health issues within the Black community.

Prior to founding SCESA, Condencia worked at a statewide anti-sexual assault coalition where she was instrumental in the creation and implementation of a statewide Spanish Hotline, a Campus Consortium and a Youth Advisory Council on sexual assault; as well as coordinating statewide initiatives with law enforcement and healthcare providers. She began her career working in public health and then on to higher education, where she first began doing direct services work addressing violence against women. Condencia has provided training and technical assistance focused on Women of Color leadership, youth/girls of color, immigration, economics, healthcare, housing and culturally relevant responses addressing sexual assault to governmental agencies, corporations, foundations, and international, national, state, territorial and community based organizations.