minority mental health. SILENCE THE SHAME

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the facts.

Minority Mental Health Awareness Month is observed every July in the United States. Formally recognized as Bebe Moore Campbell National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, it was established in 2008 in honor of author, advocate, and co-founder of NAMI Urban Los Angeles, Bebe Moore Campbell, who worked tirelessly to address mental health needs in diverse communities.

The month raises awareness about:

- The unique mental health struggles faced by racial, ethnic, and cultural minority communities.
- Disparities in access to mental health services.
- Stigma surrounding mental illness within minority groups.
- The need for culturally responsive mental health care and education.

Service Utilization

1 in 3

Black Americans who need mental health care receive it

LANGUAGE BARRIERS

25% Asian Americans 32% Latinos

in the US report difficulty finding a provider who speaks their language.

LGBTQ+ BIPOC youth are



likely in considering suicide compared to LGBTQ+ white youth. Latinx populations are

50%

less likely than white counterparts to receive mental health treatment.

UNINSURED RATES



adults under 65 are uninsured, impacting access to mental health care.

Asian Americans are

60%

less likely to receive mental health treatment compared to White Americans.



Social Media Engagement

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• Share Campaign Assets: Share provided graphics, videos, and messages on your personal social media accounts.

Story Sharing

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• Share Personal Stories/Video Testimonials: Create a video that shares your personal experience with mental health & the importance of mental health awareness.

Resource Distribution

• **Distribute Informational Materials:** Provide brochures, flyers, and posters to be displayed in community centers, libraries, churches, and schools.

Fundraise & Donate

• Start a Fundraising Campaign: Use your platform or network to raise funds to support Silence the Shame's mental health awareness campaigns

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spread the word.



Key Message Option:

July is National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month! Join us in celebrating the strength, resilience, and stories of communities of color. This month, let's come together to spread awareness, break the stigma, and uplift every voice. Your story matters—let's make mental health a priority for all. #MinorityMentalHealth

MY MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH MATTER DEEPLY.



Key Message Option:

This Minority Mental Health Month, we're celebrating selfcare and self-love with affirmations made for you. Y Swipe through and remind yourself daily: you are valued, worthy, and resilient.

Tag someone who needs these reminders! #BIPOCMentalHealth #Affirmations #SelfCare



Key Message Option:

Our differences make us stronger.

In every color, language, and lived experience—there is power, beauty, and value. This month and always, we honor and uplift the voices that make our communities vibrant. Together, let's create spaces where every identity is celebrated and every story matters. #OurDifferencesMatter #CelebrateDiversity #MentalHealthForAll





Key Message Option:

You Matter. Always. 🧡

If you or someone you know needs support, the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is here—confidential, free, and available 24/7 for students and youth of color. You're never alone. Reaching out is a sign of strength. Text or call 988.

#YouMatter #988Lifeline #YouthMentalHealth #BIPOCYouth

HELPLINES AND IMMEDIATE SUPPORT

- 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline | <u>988lifeline.org</u> | Call, text, or chat 988
- Crisis Text Line | Text SILENCE to 741741 Free, confidential support in English and Spanish.
- National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Helpline | 1-800-950-NAMI | nami.org/help

CULTURALLY SPECIFIC RESOURCES

- Black Emotional and Mental Health Collective (BEAM) | beam.community
- Black Girls Smile | blackgirlssmile.org
- Black Men Heal | blackmenheal.org
- The Steve Fund (youth of color) | stevefund.org
- Asian Mental Health Collective | asianmhc.org
- Asian American Psychological Association (AAPA) | https://aapaonline.org/
- The Trevor Project | thetrevorproject.org

GENERAL DIRECTORIES AND FIND-A-THERAPIST TOOLS

- Therapy for Black Girls: therapyforblackgirls.com
- Therapy for Black Men: <u>therapyforblackmen.org</u>
- Latinx Therapy: latinxtherapy.com
- National Queer & Trans Therapists of Color Network: ngttcn.com
- Inclusive Therapists (culturally responsive care): inclusive therapists.com
- Psychology Today Directory (Filter for language and minority identity) psychologytoday.com/us/therapists
- Therapy Den: therapyden.com
- Good Therapy: goodtherapy.org

SELF-HELP AND INFORMATION

- Mental Health America: BIPOC Mental Health: <u>mhanational.org/bipoc-mental-health</u>
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): Behavioral Health Equity: <u>samhsa.gov/behavioral-health-equity</u>

resources.



















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