

Mainstreaming Race Equality

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Introduction

Thinking ‘health inequalities’ appears to have moved up the policy agenda. Several government initiatives such as improving GP access and increasing patient and public involvement have significant potential for promoting ‘race’ equality. But how much is race equality being embedded in current policy and practice? Is it a core aspect of mainstream planning or still an ‘add-on’? Where there is good race equality practice, what are the drivers and skills that make it work? And how do we evaluate its success?

Conference aims

- To provide delegates with a better understanding of what it means to ‘mainstream’ race equality
- To enable delegates to engage with evidence of what works and what needs to change
- To assist delegates be more able to meet the requirements of equalities duties and inspections

Programme for the day

The conference will open with a panel of service users who will describe and discuss what excellent services mean to them. Panel members will include **Hellen Adom** with expertise in managing the Sickle Cell condition, **Devon Grant** with expertise in mental health services and **Nita Patel** with expertise in managing a long-term physical condition.

The panel session will be followed by two keynote addresses on aspects of mainstreaming race equality in services. The keynote speakers will invite questions and discussion throughout their presentations. **Joan Saddler**, OBE, Director of Patient and Public Affairs at the Department of Health; and **Gurch Randhawa**, Chair, NHS Luton and Professor of Diversity in Public Health and Director of the Institute for Health Research at the University of Bedfordshire, are the morning speakers.

In the afternoon, there will be two more interactive plenary sessions on further aspects of mainstreaming. **Joy Warmington** is Chief Executive of Birmingham Race Action Partnership (brap) and a Leadership Development Consultant with The Health Foundation. Professor **Helen Hally** is National Director of the Race for Health programme.

In addition, we are expecting to have a demonstration on the Specialist Library for Ethnicity and Health during the lunch break.

Delegates will receive a copy of the latest Race Equality Foundation Better Health briefing paper.

Who should attend

The conference is aimed at front line staff and managers working across the range of statutory and voluntary health care services. For example, NHS Trusts, Primary Care Trusts, health promotion, public health and the voluntary sector.

The conference will also be of interest to service users, carers, policy makers and researchers.

Draft programme

09.15 - 10.00	Arrival and registration
10.00 - 10.15	Welcome and opening remarks
10.15 - 11.00	Speaking to the experts: a panel of service users will discuss what excellent health services would look like for them: Hellen Adom, Devon Grant and Nita Patel
11.00 - 11.45	Joan Saddler OBE: From theory to practice: patient and public involvement
11.45 - 12.00	Break
12.00 - 12.45	Professor Gurch Randhawa: Mainstreaming service responses to health inequalities
12.45 - 13.45	Lunch and networking
13.45 - 14.30	Joy Warmington: Promoting and supporting BME leadership
14.30 - 15.15	Professor Helen Hally: Embedding race equality in inspection and assessment
15.15 - 15.30	Break
15.30 - 16.15	The way ahead: Panel session
16.15 - 16.30	Closing comments, evaluation and depart

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Costs

Delegate rate:
statutory agencies £125
voluntary agencies £95
students/unwaged £50

There are a few bursaries for service users available on request.

Costs include lunch, refreshments and delegate's pack. Lunch will include a vegetarian option.

How to register

Complete and return the booking form overleaf with a cheque made payable to *Race Equality Foundation* and post or fax it to us. We can invoice you, but need a purchase invoice number. You can also download and complete a booking form from our website and email, post or fax it to us. We can accept credit card bookings.

Closing date for booking a sign language interpreter is **20 February**.

If you have any questions about this event contact Tracey Bignall on **020 7619 6225** fax **020 7619 6230** or email tracey@racefound.org.uk

About the Race Equality Foundation

The Race Equality Foundation promotes race equality in social support (what families and friends do for each other) and social care (what 'workers' do for people who need support). We do this by exploring what we know about discrimination and disadvantage. One example is our unique study of the experience of independence and independent living of young black and minority ethnic disabled people. We also develop interventions that will overcome barriers and promote equality. For example, our award winning guide to better practice in meeting the housing needs of black and minority ethnic disabled and deaf people. Finally, we disseminate good practice through training, conferences and written material.

The Race Equality Foundation was formerly known as the REU and was originally set up as part of the National Institute for Social Work. It has operated as an independent charity since 1996.

Please note:

The Race Equality Foundation will make every effort to deliver the conference as described. However, we reserve the right to make any necessary changes.

The final programme will be published on our website www.raceequalityfoundation.org.uk

Booking form

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Complete and return the booking form below with a cheque made payable to **Race Equality Foundation** to
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