**National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse**

**2021 Virtual Event**

**Leading with Compassion:**

**Understanding and Serving Low-Income Fathers in a Changing World**

**Session Feedback Forms**

**Instructions:**

In this survey, we ask that you kindly provide your feedback for each one of the National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse (NRFC) 2021 Virtual Event sessions, including both plenaries and the five individual sessions. For each of the seven total sessions, you are asked to rate your satisfaction with the session on a five-point scale, provide one takeaway, and provide additional comments or thoughts about the session. For your convenience, the survey page for each session includes a description of the session and additional instructions.

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**Opening Plenary:**

**Fathers Panel – Understanding the Mindset and Needs of Low-Income Fathers**

***Plenary Description:*** *This facilitated fireside chat allowed participants to hear first-hand from two fathers who explored their experiences, particularly during the pandemic, and learn from the challenges they encountered and what helped them navigate those challenges.*

**Please indicate your satisfaction with the following aspects of this session using the scale provided:**

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| In this session, I increased my understanding about critical issues for serving fathers or approaches to serving fathers. |  |  |  |  |  |
| In this session, I increased my understanding of the challenges low-income fathers and how they navigated these challenges. |  |  |  |  |  |
| This session will help me serve fathers better. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall, I am satisfied with this session. |  |  |  |  |  |
| The content of this session was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Patrick Patterson was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Joseph Stiltner was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Harold Green was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

**Please list one thing you’re taking away from this plenary.**

**Please provide additional comments on this plenary.**

**Session I:**

**What Light Can Research Shed on the Context and Circumstances of Low-Income Fathers?**

***Session Description:*** *This session included discussions about emerging research on the mindset, circumstances, and needs of low-income fathers, including findings from ethnographic studies and promising practices for supporting impoverished fathers.*

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| Dr. Stacey Bouchet was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dr. Natasha Cabrera was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dr. Armon Perry was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

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**Session II: Recruitment and Retention of Low-Income Fathers in a World Gone Virtual**

***Session Description:*** *How do you encourage low-income fathers to join a fatherhood program? What skills do staff members need to connect with fathers and show them the potential benefits of participating for themselves and their families? This session answered these questions and shared effective in-person and virtual recruitment and retention strategies.*

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| James Worthy was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dr. Alicia La Hoz was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Richard Barr was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

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**Session III: The “New Normal” - Effective Engagement and Service Delivery Strategies for Low-Income Fathers**

***Session Description:*** *Impoverished and low-income men face multiple barriers that affect their ability to engage with their children consistently and positively. This panel shared tips and lessons learned about ways fatherhood and other programs can provide a range of in-person and virtual services that help ameliorate these barriers, programmatically engage and retain fathers, and increase the likelihood that fathers are able to parent successfully.*

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| Nigel Vann was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ron Thomas was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kelly Little was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

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**Plenary II:**

**Uplifting Low-Income Fathers – The Context for Changing Hearts, Minds, Behaviors, and Outcomes**

***Plenary Description:*** *Master teacher and clinical psychologist, Dr. Adolph Brown, discussed how low-income fathers are a greatly misunderstood population and how these fathers are overlooked in discussions of poverty and economic vulnerability--often being viewed as the cause of social problems, rather than as having been abandoned by society.*

*Dr. Brown presented a more comprehensive picture of the significant obstacles and trauma low-income fathers experience. Participants learned to “lead with compassion” by offering services and interventions to fathers that overcome faulty perceptions, implicit bias, stereotype threat, re-traumatization, egocentrism, and blind spots.*

*Participants gained strategies to create and sustain healthy, supportive, positive, and safe service environments that truly inspire fathers to be their very best for themselves and their families. Participants let this session better service providers and a better human-beings!*

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| Dr. Adolph Brown was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

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**Session IV: The Hardest to Serve - Addressing Tough Issues Faced by Low-Income Dads**

***Session Description:*** *This session provided participants with a framework for helping low-income fathers address the tough issues that serve as barriers to parenting. During this session, participants learned about proven solutions and strategies from experienced fatherhood practitioners.*

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| Eugene Schneeberg was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| David Cozart was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shari Doherty was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

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**Session V: Providing Trauma-Informed Care to Low-Income Fathers**

***Session Description:*** *Many of the fathers that seek support from responsible fatherhood and human service programs have experienced trauma that affects multiple aspects of their daily lives, including their parenting; the way they view themselves, others, and the world around them; and their ability to ask for and accept help. During this session, experienced practitioners shared effective trauma-informed and strengths-based approaches for providing in-person and virtual care and service delivery to low-income fathers.*

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| Joseph Jones was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dr. Derrick Gordon was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dr. Samantha Wulfsohn was engaging. |  |  |  |  |  |

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