

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here!

We will get started shortly.
In the meantime, we invite you to intentionally enter this space.



Silence your cell phone



Stretch



Close the door



Take a few deep breaths



Close browser windows



Emotionally release your to-do list



Check your audio and video



Take a bio break

Fatherhood Talk Tuesday

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 || 3:00pm – 4:30pm ET

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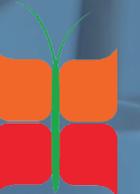
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Agenda

Housekeeping

Danisha Charles
HEALTHY START TA & SUPPORT
CENTER (TASC)

Welcome

Kenn Harris
TASC

HRSA Celebrates BMHW

Kathryn Karnell
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

Grantee Spotlight:

HEALTHY START - JACKSON
HINDS COMPREHENSIVE
HEALTH CENTER (JHCHC)

Ernest Miller
JHCHC

Fatherhood Mentoring Program

Kenn Harris, TASC
Dr. Jeffery Johnson
NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR
COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
(NPCL)

Wrap-up

Danisha Charles
TASC





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ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE MUTED UPON ENTRY. WE ASK THAT YOU REMAIN MUTED TO LIMIT BACKGROUND NOISE.



PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SHARE COMMENTS AND ASK QUESTIONS USING THE CHAT BOX.



BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK 2024



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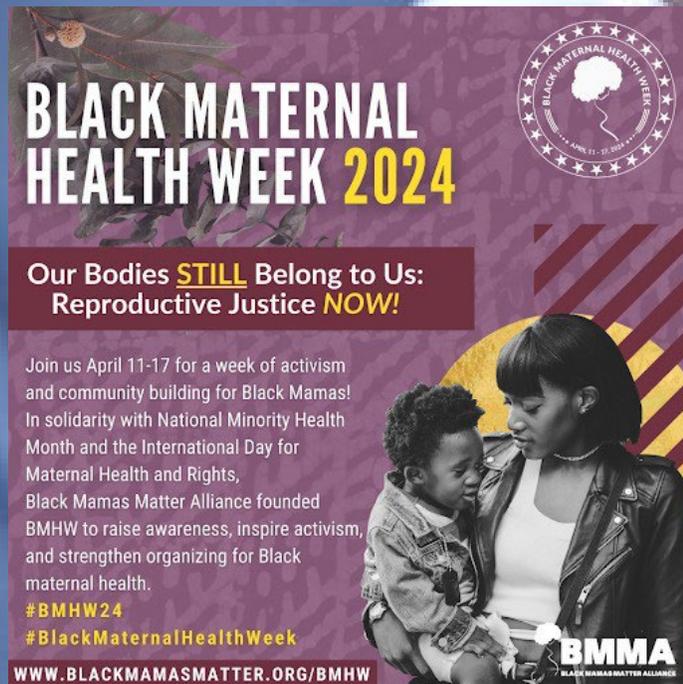
**Our Bodies STILL Belong to Us:
Reproductive Justice Now!**

Making Room for Black Fathers: To, Thru & Beyond Childbirth

Tuesday, April 9th 2024

Kenn Harris

Vice President for Engagement & Community Partnerships, Director of
Healthy Start TA & Support Center, National Institute for Children's
Health Quality (NICHQ)



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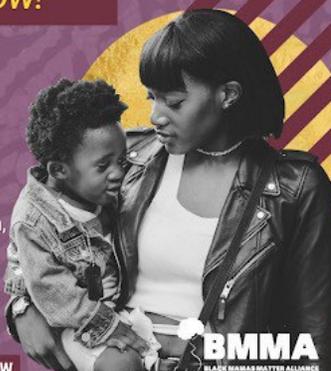
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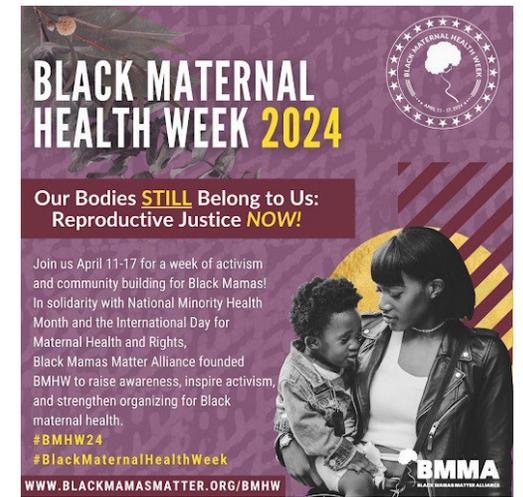
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This presentation is designed to lift up Black fathers and the role that all fathers play in supporting, partners, pregnancy and maternal and infant outcomes.

When fathers are not acknowledged and celebrated, families and communities suffer. There is more advocacy needed for including dads in systems that were not designed for him.

objectives



- Amplify voices of fathers
- Dispel myths about Black fathers
- Reclaim Black narratives
- CELEBRATION!



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United States House of Representatives

BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH CAUCUS

Congresswoman Alma Adams & Congresswoman Lauren Underwood

Adams, Underwood Announce Maternal Health Priorities Included in FY2024 Bipartisan Appropriations Law

April 3, 2024 [Press Release](#)

Over \$100 million in “Momnibus” funding signed into law

WASHINGTON – Today, Black Maternal Health Caucus (BMHC) Co-Chairs Alma Adams (NC-12) and Lauren Underwood (IL-14) released the following statement after President Biden signed critical maternal health priorities into law as part of the bipartisan Consolidated Appropriations Act and Further Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2024. Over \$100 million for BMHC priorities and key Momnibus funding has been included in this law. Underwood and Adams are sponsors of the Momnibus, comprehensive legislation to end America’s maternal health crisis.

The BMHC led efforts to secure these resources in the final FY2024 appropriations package; their inclusion reflects the strength of the BMHC’s advocacy and broad, bipartisan recognition of the urgent need to address our nation’s growing maternal health crisis. These FY2024 investments build on the significant funding that the BMHC [previously secured](#) in FY2023.

“For the fifth year in a row, the Black Maternal Health Caucus secured significant federal resources to address our maternal health crisis and save moms’ lives. As a Member of the House Appropriations Committee, I’m pleased that we reached bipartisan agreement to fund evidence-based programs to support moms across the country and to directly address the drivers of maternal mortality and morbidity,” Underwood said. **“But our work is far from done. Moms across America are demanding a comprehensive solution, and they cannot afford to wait any longer. We must pass the Momnibus now.”**

“Through a hard-fought budget process emerges good news for mothers – especially expectant Black mothers,” said Congresswoman Alma S. Adams, Ph.D. **“Funding increases for vital research like the NIH IMPROVE Initiative will help reduce maternal mortality and by addressing the disparities that have made the childbirth more dangerous for so many women. Other critical maternal health projects Congresswoman Underwood and I have been fighting for through our work with the Black Maternal Health Caucus were preserved as well. As they work to close racial health gaps, the Biden-Harris Administration and Congressional Democratic Leadership continue to show their commitment to creating an equitable society for all Americans.”**

"As a Black mother and grandmother, I'm proud to launch the Black Maternal Health Caucus to ensure that Black women and infants have the rights, respect, and resources to thrive before, during, and after pregnancy."

- Congresswoman Alma Adams, Co-Founder & Co-Chair of the Black Maternal Health Caucus



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"I'm honored to work with my colleagues in Congress and partners in industry, nonprofits, and the Administration to find solutions to ending disparities and achieving optimal birth outcomes for all families."

- Congresswoman Lauren Underwood, Co-Founder & Co-Chair of the Black Maternal Health Caucus



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The logo for the Black Mamas Matter Alliance (BMMA) is a circular emblem with a stylized figure and the text "BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK" around the perimeter.

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The New York Times

Photographs by Alice Proujansky, The New York Times
Published March 11, 2021

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Jamira Eaddy-Onque, center, and her husband, Ali Onque at the Birth Center of New Jersey in Union

celebrating Anastasia

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to support making room for daddy

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amplify

dispel the myths

reclaim narratives

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Canadian Photographer, Zun Lee |





Dr. Rachel Hardeman, Researcher on Reproductive Health Equity at the University of Minnesota

"We're talking about people who are at greater risk of experiencing racism, implicit bias, being marginalized in the health care setting,"

"There's more of a need for people to be able to cultivate a space that feels good and feels safe for them. There are fewer opportunities to see that happen in a more traditional health care setting, and that's problematic."

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"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men"
[Frederick Douglass].

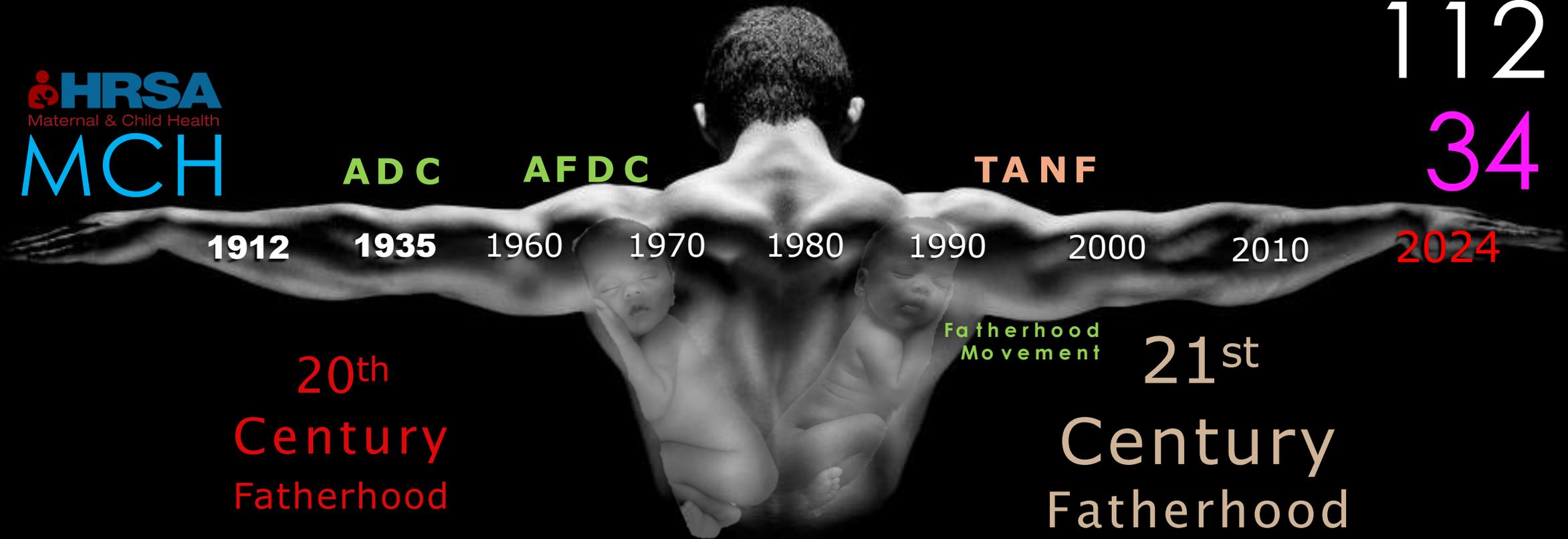
If our children are truly going to be strong, we have to build and restore fatherhood, especially in Black families.

building black fatherhood

fatherhood across the timeline

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Healthy Start programs tell the story of how fathers support pregnancy; contribute to better birth outcomes; and create optimal opportunities for infants to thrive

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making room for daddy

“doula-dad training”



From wellness to grief, laughter, and love, the Black Love Podcast Network has become the home of authentic Black stories that showcase the breadth of 360 degrees of Black love.

Doula Dads | A Black Love Series

Black Love

9 videos 9,382 views Last updated on Apr 14, 2021

▶ Play all ⌘ Shuffle

Birth stories from men who took the steps to be informed and supportive to positively impact mama and baby.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDNPhX6RtHer_rRM9RO-zJpUGpoHJqwG



“doula certification”

Dustin Young

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*“Being a Male Doula for Our Own means not only dismantling stigmas but showing up and protecting Black Women who are 4X more likely to die from childbirth.”
Dustin Young*

NEWS

A BLACK, MALE DOULA STEPS UP TO ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN DURING CHILDBIRTH

Andrea Blackstone | July 3, 2021 | 5424

**BLACK
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NBEC NATIONAL BIRTH EQUITY COLLABORATIVE



Ms. Wanda Irving

RHimpact



Ms. Arilla Smiley (1960s)
GEORGIA

Community Childbirth Every Every



Ms. Kimberly Seals Allers

Restoring Our



Center for Black Maternal Health & Reproductive Justice

Dr. Karen Scott



DR. SHALITA BROWN MATERNAL ACTION PROJECT

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4 Kira 4 moms

Mary Coley (1900s)
GEORGIA

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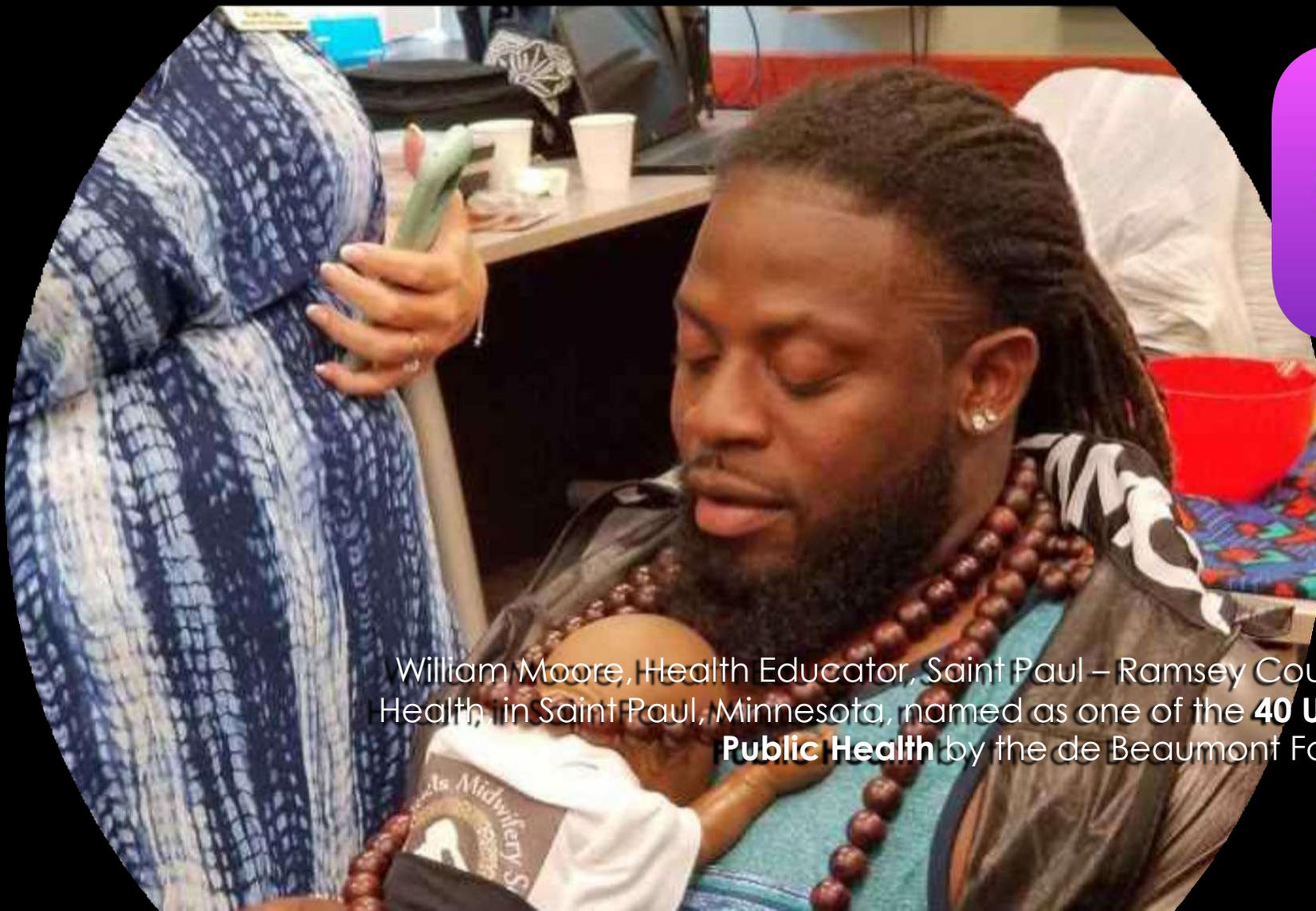
Margaret Charles Smith (1900s)
ALABAMA
Birthing Cultural Rigor



Dr. Amutah-Onukagha



Male Certified Lactation Counselors & Doulas



William Moore, Health Educator, Saint Paul – Ramsey County Public Health, in Saint Paul, Minnesota, named as one of the **40 Under 40 in Public Health** by the de Beaumont Foundation.



advocate dad advocate community



DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A POSTIVE IMPACT?
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BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK 2024
COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY & WALK

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TO VIEW THE FULL EVENT DECK &
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*"I am just trying
trying to share as
much knowledge
as I have to
help somebody
else."*



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THE INVISIBLE MAN

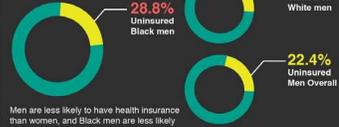
RESEARCH Black men die early and frequently struggle against structures that negate them.

LIFE EXPECTANCY



Black men have shorter lives and die six years sooner than White men and eight years sooner than Hispanic men.

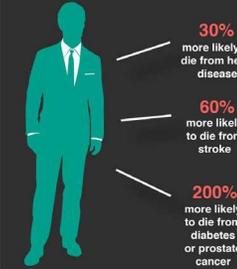
HEALTH INSURANCE



Men are less likely to have health insurance than women, and Black men are less likely to have health insurance than White men.

MORTALITY FROM DISEASE

Compared with White men, Black men are...



ELIGIBLE BUT UNCOVERED



DENIED ACA MEDICAID

Of the 7 states with the nation's highest percentage of Black people, only one state — Maryland — has expanded Medicaid eligibility. The six other states have **denied** expanded coverage to the poor, including millions of uninsured black men.

- Mississippi
- Louisiana
- Georgia
- Maryland
- Florida
- South Carolina
- Alabama

Keith Elder, PhD, MPH, & Kevin Gilbert, DrPH, MA, MPA, co-authored *Men's Health: Disparities in Confidence to Manage Health in the International Journal of Men's Health* (Fall 2013), and *Trust, Medication Adherence, and Hypertension Control in Southern African American Men in the American Journal of Public Health* (December 2012). Elder is a 2009 New Connections alumnus and Gilbert is a current New Connections grantee.

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make him visible!



https://www.sarahprall.com/newborns-babies-and-toddlers/children-family-newborn-infant/vgl1op9khqdev95cy9e6rxdiuv



stronger together

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my strategies

being visible
reclaiming & restoring black (& brown) fatherhood
celebrating black brothers!



thank you!

may you find your place in the Black Maternal Health Space!

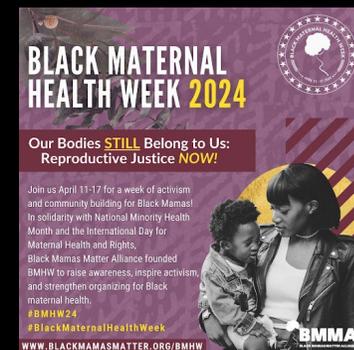
Save Black Mothers and Birthing People!

Making Room for Black Fathers:
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How does dad's
involvement **improve**
Black maternal health?





HRSA Celebrates BMHW

Kathryn Karnell

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
(HRSA)

*FATHERHOOD TALK TUESDAY
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Black Maternal Health Week 2024



Black Maternal Health Week 2024 Social Media Toolkit



Black Maternal Health Week, April 11 – 17, 2024, is an opportunity to raise awareness and take action to improve the health of Black mothers. Use this toolkit to join @HRSAGov, spread the word, and share your work and accomplishments.

Learn more about how HRSA is strengthening Black maternal health.



Digital Communications Specialist, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS

<https://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs-impact/focus-areas/maternal-health/black-maternal-health/engaging-dads-testimonial>

Giving Mothers and Babies a Healthy Start by Engaging Dads

Fathers can play a significant role in positively impacting maternal and child health before, during, and after pregnancy.



HRSA Social Media Campaign

JOIN THE MOVEMENT TOWARD BETTER BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH

April 11 – 17, 2024

#BMHW24 | #HRSAhelpsMoms

Elevate **YOUR work and achievements** in improving Black maternal health outcomes. Join us in our campaign to raise awareness and promote action.

Our toolkit features:

- Website banner
- Virtual meeting background
- Social media graphic images
- Newsletter copy
- Written messaging content

<https://bit.ly/bmhtoolkit>



Email MCHBinfo@hrsa.gov with questions.

Learn more at <https://mchb.hrsa.gov>

Black Maternal
Health Week

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Inspired.



Grantee Spotlight

Ernest Miller

HEALTHY START - JACKSON HINDS COMPREHENSIVE
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JACKSON-HINDS
COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER

Jackson, MS

Ernest Miller

Fatherhood Coordinator/Case Manager

Overview

The Fatherhood Initiative Program at Jackson Hinds Comprehensive Health remains committed to Dads with the highest level of engagement and resource utilization.

For Dads On
Duty 24/7

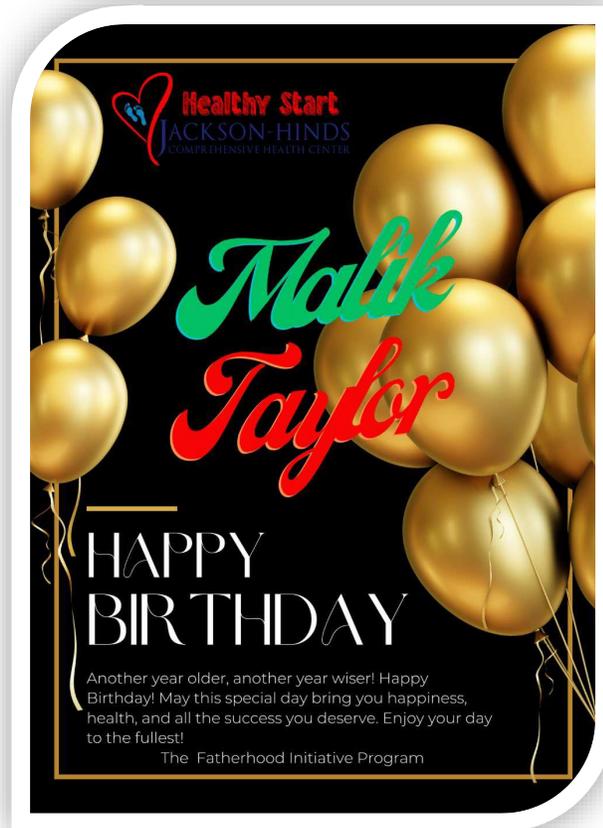


Overview

Through rigorous adaptation protocols and fundamental implementations of services provided, Dads are able to make better informed decisions through the prevailing power of their presence for the nurturing and efficacious welling being of mom, baby and family.

Jackson-Hinds Healthy Start Program is a program aimed to reduce racial and ethnic differences in rates of infant deaths and negative maternal health outcomes. The Fatherhood Initiative Program, 601 DADS, is an integrated part of the overall Healthy Start Program aiming to strengthen family resilience within Hinds County by helping fathers or male partners based on their individual's needs.

Overview



- **JHCHC Fatherhood Initiative began January 01, 2024 prizing its Dads. By collecting and organizing Dads’ birthday data to create and send digital greetings for their respective birthday. This “prizing” means that Dads intentionally thought about and celebrated.**
- **Positive impacts registers with Dads.**
- **Dads, “Dad-up” when they know that **THEY** are not forgotten.**

Overview

Father involvement during pregnancy has been shown to reduce risks of preterm birth, fetal growth restriction, and low birth weight, and promote maternal prenatal health. Early male involvement in children's lives has been shown to have a positive effect on both sons and daughters in several areas. It is associated with future academic success, reduces the chance of delinquency, and decreases the incidence of substance abuse.

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Challenges?

- **JHCHC Fatherhood Initiative Program remains connected to the community as a central conduit through which vital information is conveyed and retrieved to better serve Dads who support both mom and baby. Advocation, Adumbration and Appreciation emerge as the definitive prevalence that JHCHC FIP is present or has passed through successfully.**
- **The *JHCHC Fatherhood Initiative Program* continues to employ three key and fundamental pillars that are uncompromisable foundational values as: Engagement, Education and Enlightenment.**

Challenges?

- **To uphold and support the restoration and evolution in Dads' selfworth which becomes his legacy that he is able to pass on to his family.**
- **We have observed that Dads' positive presence benefits the nurturing and efficacious welling being of mom, baby and family.**

Proper Support is Key

Dad preparing for Baby



Making the Connection on Dads' Behalf



Highlights & Successes

- **No Shave November Challenge; Valentine Safe-Planning Kits; Kiting with Dad; “GRITS” Challenge; “Lean On Me” Dads Conference; Infant Mortality Awareness Summit; “Dad-oration” Messages; Voter Registration Campaign;**
 - COLLABORATION WITH THE LIBRARY SYSTEM IN A SUMMER READING PROGRAM JUNE (2023); COMMUNITY WELLNESS DAY (MARCH 2023); LACTATION CELEBRATION (AUGUST 2023); HIPS OF JHCHC; BLACK MEN’S HEALTH EQUITY COUNCIL(AUGUST 2023)); PARTICIPATED IN READING ACROSS AMERICA AT LOCAL PAROCHIAL SCHOOL(MARCH 2024); COLLABORATION W/LINKS OF JACKSON

Highlights & Successes

- **The “Lean On Me” Dads’ Conference scheduled for June 8, 2024. Local Ministers (Pastors) are being encouraged to attend to bridge the community gap in assisting Dads to access reliable networks before crises arise.**
- **Because of JHCHC reputable history and the leadership of its CEO, *Dr. Jasmin Chapman*, acquiring community support continues to be progressive and positive.**

Highlights and Successes

BLACK MEN'S HEALTH EQUITY COUNCIL



Highlights and Successes

VOTER REGISTRATION

Healthy Start JACKSON-HINDS
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VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

BECAUSE YOUR VOTE MATTERS

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
AUGUST 8

GENERAL ELECTION DAY
NOVEMBER 7

June 7, 2023 145 Raymond Rd.	July 27, 2023 350 W. Northside Dr.
June 8, 2023 3502 W. Northside Dr.	August 17, 2023 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave.
July 20, 2023 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave. Time: 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.	August 31, 2023 3502 W. Northside Dr.
	September 7, 2023 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave.
	September 14, 2023 3502 W. Northside Dr.

You will be able to do the following things:

- Register to Vote
- Update Voter Record

Primary Election Voter Registration Deadline: July 10th

General Voter Registration Deadline: October 9th

Illustration of hands holding "VOTE" signs.

AN ELECTION DAY REMINDER

VOTE

Healthy Start JACKSON-HINDS
COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER

The Fatherhood Initiative Program of JHCHC is Encouraging Dads to Vote and Lead the Way to a Healthier Family and a Stronger and Safer Community

Dads, don't forget that your vote matters.

TUESDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2023

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YOUR VOTE IS VERY USEFUL FOR THE PROGRESS OF THE NATION

"Our is not the struggle of one day, one week, or one year. Ours is not the struggle of one judicial appointment or presidential term. Ours is the struggle of a lifetime, or maybe even many lifetimes, and each one of us in every generation must do our part."

John Lewis

Highlights and Successes

INFANT MORTALITY AWARENESS



Healthy Start JACKSON-HINDS COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER

INFANT MORTALITY AWARENESS SUMMIT:
HEALTHY FAMILY, HEALTHY BABY

Topics:
Birth Spacing
Prenatal Care
Mental Health
Pediatric Care
and more

SEPT 30
10 AM - 2 PM

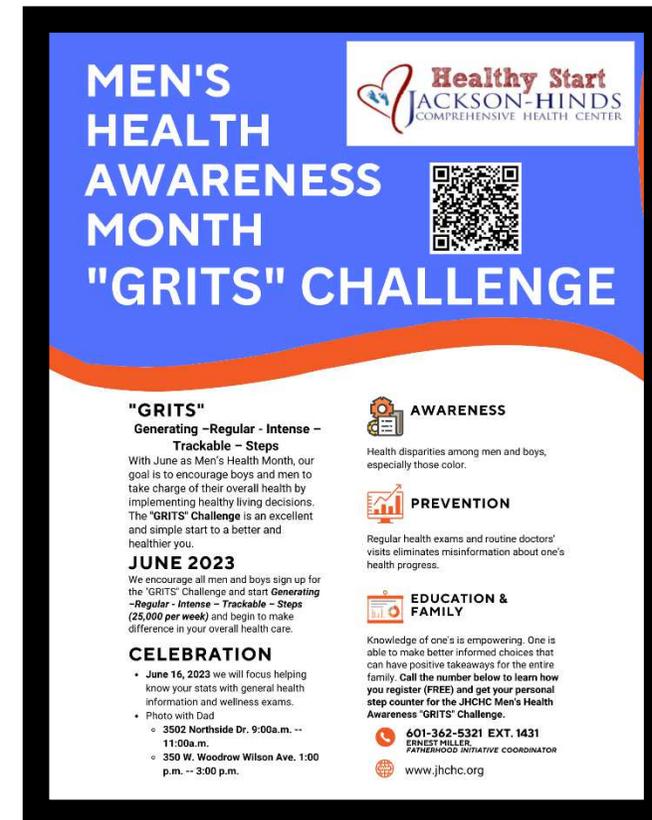
Free Food
Door Prizes
&
Entertainment

Keynote Speaker:
Justin Turner, MD
Chief Medical Officer

Panelist (L to R):
Lynda Assad, MD
Michelle Owens, MD
Jaleen Sims, MD
Willie Thompson, MD
Joel Flynt, MD

Poster for the Infant Mortality Awareness Summit. It features the Healthy Start Jackson-Hinds logo at the top. Below the logo is the title "INFANT MORTALITY AWARENESS SUMMIT: HEALTHY FAMILY, HEALTHY BABY". A red banner lists topics: Birth Spacing, Prenatal Care, Mental Health, Pediatric Care, and more. A calendar icon indicates the event is on September 30, 10 AM - 2 PM. A blue circular badge says "Free Food Door Prizes & Entertainment". The keynote speaker is Justin Turner, MD, Chief Medical Officer. A panel of five speakers is listed: Lynda Assad, MD, Michelle Owens, MD, Jaleen Sims, MD, Willie Thompson, MD, and Joel Flynt, MD. The bottom of the poster shows a group photo of the speakers in front of a building.

THE "GRITS" CHALLENGE



Healthy Start JACKSON-HINDS COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER

MEN'S HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH
"GRITS" CHALLENGE

"GRITS"
Generating - Regular - Intense - Trackable - Steps
With June as Men's Health Month, our goal is to encourage boys and men to take charge of their overall health by implementing healthy living decisions. The "GRITS" Challenge is an excellent and simple start to a better and healthier you.

JUNE 2023
We encourage all men and boys sign up for the "GRITS" Challenge and start **Generating - Regular - Intense - Trackable - Steps (25,000 per week)** and begin to make difference in your overall health care.

CELEBRATION

- June 16, 2023 we will focus helping know your stats with general health information and wellness exams.
- Photo with Dad
 - 3502 Northside Dr. 9:00a.m. -- 11:00a.m.
 - 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave. 1:00 p.m. -- 3:00 p.m.

AWARENESS
Health disparities among men and boys, especially those color.

PREVENTION
Regular health exams and routine doctors' visits eliminates misinformation about one's health progress.

EDUCATION & FAMILY
Knowledge of one's is empowering. One is able to make better informed choices that can have positive takeaways for the entire family. Call the number below to learn how you register (FREE) and get your personal step counter for the JHCHC Men's Health Awareness "GRITS" Challenge.

601-362-5321 EXT. 1431
ERNEST MILLER
FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE COORDINATOR
www.jhchc.org

Poster for Men's Health Awareness Month "GRITS" Challenge. It features the Healthy Start Jackson-Hinds logo at the top right. Below the logo is the title "MEN'S HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH 'GRITS' CHALLENGE" and a QR code. The main text explains the challenge: "GRITS" stands for Generating - Regular - Intense - Trackable - Steps. It encourages men and boys to take charge of their health by implementing healthy living decisions. The challenge is an excellent and simple start to a better and healthier you. The challenge is for June 2023, and participants are encouraged to sign up and start the challenge by June 16, 2023. The challenge involves generating 25,000 steps per week. A celebration is planned for June 16, 2023, with a focus on helping participants know their stats with general health information and wellness exams. The celebration includes a photo with Dad, with two locations: 3502 Northside Dr. from 9:00a.m. to 11:00a.m., and 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave. from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The poster also includes three key areas: Awareness (Health disparities among men and boys, especially those color), Prevention (Regular health exams and routine doctors' visits eliminates misinformation about one's health progress), and Education & Family (Knowledge of one's is empowering. One is able to make better informed choices that can have positive takeaways for the entire family. Call the number below to learn how you register (FREE) and get your personal step counter for the JHCHC Men's Health Awareness "GRITS" Challenge). Contact information is provided at the bottom: 601-362-5321 EXT. 1431, Ernest Miller, Fatherhood Initiative Coordinator, www.jhchc.org.

Highlights and Successes

NO SHAVE NOVEMBER FLYER

Healthy Start JACKSON-HINDS Comprehensive Health Center Fatherhood Initiative Program

NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

Education About Cancer Prevention, Saving Lives and Aiding those Fighting the Battle.

What is No-Shave November?

No-Shave November is a month-long journey during which participants forgo shaving and grooming in order to evoke conversation and raise cancer awareness. Learn more about how you can get involved and start getting hairy!

The Concept

The goal of No-Shave November is to grow awareness by embracing our hair, which many cancer patients lose and letting it grow wild and free. Donate the money you that would typically spend on shaving and grooming to educate about cancer prevention, save lives and aid those fighting the battle.

Awareness Activity Event: JHCHC November 1 2022 — 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m. at the Main (3502 W. Northside Drive) and 1:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. at the Medical Mall (350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave). NSN Raffle — November 30, 2023 10:00 .am. at the Main.

The Rules

The rules of No-Shave November are simple: put down your razor for 30 days and donate your monthly hair-maintenance expenses to the cause. Strict dress-code at work? Don't worry about it! We encourage participation of any kind; grooming and trimming are perfectly acceptable.

The Connection

For participation information and ways that you can make your charitable contributions, please contact Healthy Start staff:

Eugene Drake
Ernest Miller
at
601-362-5321
ext. 1431.

ALL donations will be sent to the American Cancer Society.

NSN CANCER AWARENESS INFORMATION TABLE



Highlights and Successes



The poster features a central illustration of a diverse family of six people (two adults and four children) standing together. The background is green with white text and graphics. The top left and right corners feature the 'The Links, Incorporated' logo. The bottom right corner features the Jackson-Hinds Comprehensive Health Center logo.

The Links, Incorporated
Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service

Black Family Wellness Expo

NATIONAL IMPACT DAY OF SERVICE
March 16, 2024

10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Jackson Hinds Comprehensive Health Center
3502 West Northside Drive, Jackson, MS 39213

Free Workshops	Women's Health
Blood Pressure Screenings	HIV Screening
Glucose Screening	Maternal Health
Heart Health	Free Mammograms (First 25 women to arrive at the expo)
Men's Health	Kids Corner and more

For more information, contact Sandra Melvin at smelvin@advancingminorityhealth.org

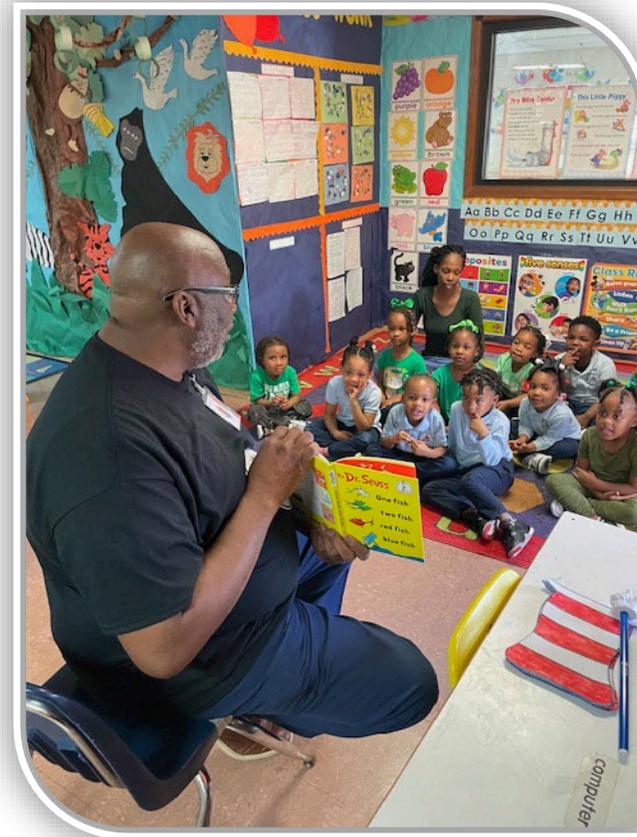
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READING IS FUNDAMENTAL

FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE
Summer Reading
Vaccinations and screenings will be provided.

ENGLISH LITERATURE

EVELYN T. MAJURIE LIBRARY 12 JUN
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
217 West Main Street, Utica, MS

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JACKSONHINDS Library System

PICK YOUR FAVORITE GENRE



Fatherhood Information and Education Center



Lessons Learned/Advice to Colleagues?

- **Dads are waiting on someone to support them in their journeys. Do not be reserved when approaching and speaking to Dads.**
 - BE TRUTHFUL AND HONEST. SPEAK TO BE UNDERSTOOD AND LISTEN TO UNDERSTAND.
- **Plan your work and work your plan. Stephen Covey in his book The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People states, “...one should always begin with the end in mind....”**
- **Monthly Fatherhood Webinars; Texting4Dads**





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you!



FATHERHOOD TALK TUESDAY
HOSTED BY THE HEALTHY START TA & SUPPORT CENTER AT NICHQ

Fatherhood Mentoring Program

Kenn Harris & Dr. Jeffery Johnson



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Satisfaction Survey

*YOUR FEEDBACK IS EXTREMELY VALUABLE AND WILL HELP
ENSURE OUR OFFERINGS MEET YOUR SUPPORT NEEDS!*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
KENN!!!**

NEXT FATHERHOOD TALK TUESDAY

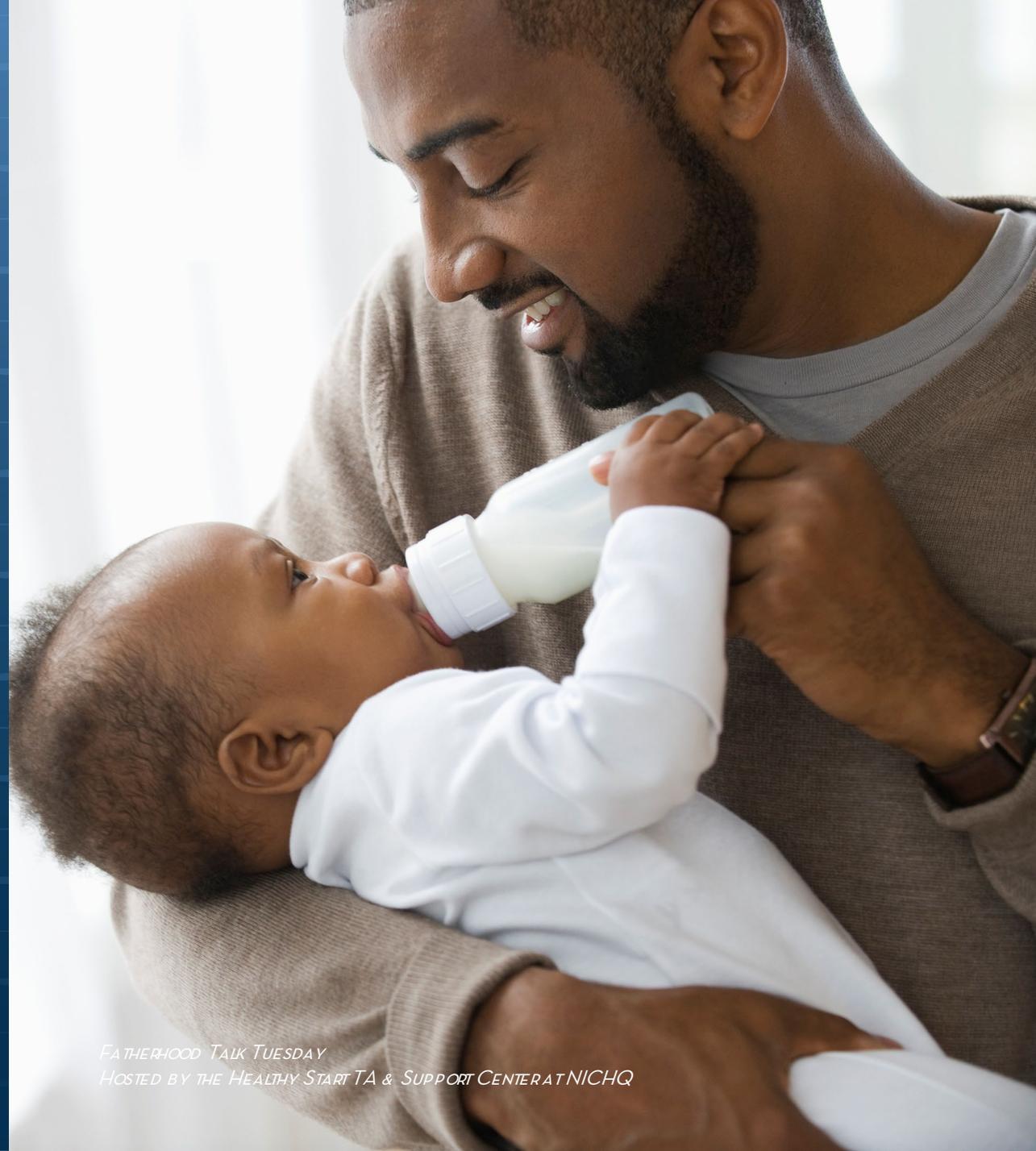
Fatherhood & Beyond featuring Special Panel

TUESDAY, MAY 14

3:00PM – 4:30PM ET

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