



KPC CONNECTING CULTURES SERIES 2022

PURPOSE

To reduce and eliminate behavioral health disparities in Kansas by welcoming people who are not all like each other in an educational series of meaningful conversations about culture.

OVERVIEW

This series of at least 6 statewide sessions will involve speakers from communities of people in Kansas who have been marginalized and experience behavioral health disparities. This year's series involves presenters from the National Latino Behavioral Health Association (NLBHA), National Latino and Hispanic ATTC and PTTC, and Mid-America PTTC helping the KPC Workforce build their capacity to provide more culturally responsive services. Sessions will also include panels and individual local and national experts sharing their passions, hopes, ideas, and culture to promote healing and improving behavioral health for all.

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SCHEDULE

February 8: Kick-off - Facilitated Capacity Building for KPC Workforce

March 7: Session 2 - Presenters from the NLBHA, National Latino and Hispanic ATTC and PTTC, and Mid-America PTTC Capacity Building for KPC Workforce

April & May: Session 3 - Capacity Building for KPC Workforce and State Infrastructure

June: Communities Connecting Cultures

June 20, 6 - 9 PM: Session 4 - Review & Rebound facilitated by regional and national leaders

July 11 - July 15: Session 5 - Daily Presentations on Structural Inequities, by Nicole Brown

August: Communities Connecting Cultures

August 23, 9:30-11 AM: Session 7: Closing session for prioritization of action.

COMMUNITIES CONNECTING CULTURES

These community-specific and community-hosted in-person sessions will each be facilitated by a community "cultural broker" and a staff member of WSU Community Engagement Institute Prevention Initiatives, partners with the KPC. Stipends of up to \$1,000 can be provided to compensate a portion of the labor required of the "cultural broker" while resources are available. Communities are invited to contact KPCTeam@wichita.edu to discuss scheduling and logistics for the events. The 3-hour events will be in-person, following the latest community safety and wellness recommendations.

INTENDED USE OF CONNECTING CULTURES SERIES OUTPUTS

Resulting recommendations from this year's Series will be prioritized for implementation in each of the Prevention Initiatives contract deliverables for the Kansas Prevention Collaborative. Communication and connection strategies will be improved and enhanced with the intentional focus of contributing to the reduction of, and ultimate elimination of, behavioral health disparities in Kansas communities.