

# Presence for Racial Justice: Translating research into practice to promote racial justice and health equity for Black patients in health care



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## Background

- The Presence for Racial Justice project is adapting the Presence 5 (P5) framework for fostering humanism in medicine to address racial injustice and health disparities for Black patients in medicine.
- Project aims: To identify anti-racist communication practices that clinicians can use to build trusting relationships with Black patients and promote equitable delivery of care.

#### **Community Partners**



We are partnering with four clinics that strive to provide exceptional, equitable care to their predominantly Black patient population through advocacy and compassionate anti-racist communication.

- Roots Community Health Center | Oakland, CA
- University of Alabama Medicine | Leeds, AL
- Church Health | Memphis, TN
- Culver Medical Group | Rochester, NY

## Methods

## National Community Advisory Board

Monthly meetings with patients, clinicians, and community members from partner clinics

#### Patient Interviews

Interviews with patients from partner clinics to assess preferences for anti-racist healthcare communication

## Clinician Presence Circles

Discussion groups with clinicians from each partner clinic to reflect on Presence for Racial Justice practices Research Synthesis

Synthesis of research findings and development of materials for dissemination

#### Results

We are in the process of finalizing the Presence for Racial Justice practices and dissemination materials



#### **Lessons Learned**

#### To Maximize Community Engagement in Community Advisory Board

- Encourage and elevate patient voice in discussions; minimize research team presence during meetings
- · Clearly communicate meeting goals and specific requests for advisory board participation/engagement

#### Recommendations

Engagement with community members has shaped the Presence for Racial Justice project by offering a clearer understanding of the perspectives and needs of Black patients and the communication challenges and opportunities for clinicians working within target communities to combat racism in medicine.

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