

a working conference on strategies for
improving health in underserved communities



Bridging the Gaps

19th Annual Symposium

SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Poster Session: Bridging the Gaps Student Community Health Projects

10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Workshop Sessions

- Workshop 1 Mentoring: It Is in You!
- Workshop 2 Good Grief: How to Cope With Loss in the City of Brotherly Love
- Workshop 3 The “I” of the Storm: How Self-Destruction Translates Into Community Violence
- Workshop 4 Vanishing Act: What Happens to Communities When Hospitals Disappear
- Workshop 5 When I Grow Up, I Want to Be a ... : What Determines the Opportunities of Our Youth
- Workshop 6 The City of Brotherly and Sisterly Love-Handles: Obesity in Philadelphia
- Workshop 7 Family Feud? Helping Adults and Children Make Healthy Choices Together
- Workshop 8 Putting the Puzzle Together: Integrating Your Piece Into an Unfamiliar Environment
- Workshop 9 Meeting People Where They Are: Addressing Barriers to Wellness for All Age Groups
- Workshop 10 Senior Power!

11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Awards Ceremony/Plenary Session

Jennifer Ayers-Moore, *mental health advocate/activist*

For Information

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A lifetime of experience offering support to her brother gives **Jennifer Ayers-Moore** an authoritative perspective on the plight of the mentally ill and the struggles faced by their families.

As schizophrenia consumed Nathaniel, Ayers-Moore grew determined to fight the stigma and misunderstanding that surround mental illness. She founded the NAAF (www.naayers.org) after publication of "The Soloist: A Lost Dream, an Unlikely Friendship, and the Redemptive Power of Music," a book by Steve Lopez of the Los Angeles Times.

Ayers-Moore has appeared on "60 Minutes," CNN and other programs, and has met with senior White House staff on mental health issues.

Please Join Us!

September 11, 2009

8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch Provided

Behrakis Grand Hall

**Creese Building, 3210 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

Please RSVP online by **September 4, 2009.**

Visit **www.bridgingthegaps.info** and click on the Annual Symposium RSVP button on the home page.

Please share this invitation with others who might wish to attend.

Now celebrating its 19th year, Bridging the Gaps is committed to forging partnerships with individuals and organizations dedicated to the promotion of health in underserved communities. The Annual Symposium is free to the public and is based on the work of students who have participated in the past program year.

Participating Educational Institutions

Bryn Mawr College, DeSales University, Drexel University, La Salle University, Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Lehigh Valley Health Network, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Temple University, Thomas Jefferson University, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, University of the Sciences in Philadelphia.

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