

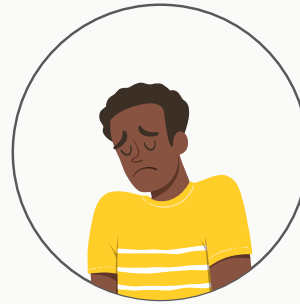
# CLINICAL INTERVENTIONS WITH AFRICAN AMERICAN MEN & BOYS



## BASIC MENTAL HEALTH STATISTICS FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN MEN & BOYS



**73%**  
of African American  
Men aged 18 and over  
report with daily  
feelings of anxiety  
or depression



Black males are  
underdiagnosed with  
mood disorder and  
over diagnosed with  
psychotic disorders.

Several studies have  
found that while SES is  
inversely related to the  
suicide rate for Whites,  
it is positively related to  
the suicide rate for African  
American males.



**2004**

study reported that the  
invisibility syndrome of  
African American men, in  
which a life history of  
micro-aggressions may  
cause African American  
men to be misdiagnosed.

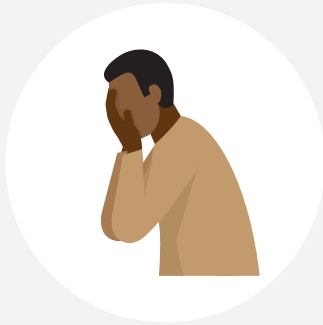


Over the past 2  
decades, the suicide rate  
has remained relatively  
stable for White men but  
has strikingly increased  
for young African  
American men.

**Homicide** is the 5th leading  
Cause of Death for African  
American Men



# GENDER COMPETENT MODEL FOR WORKING WITH MEN & BOYS



Views men as subjects and not objects



Places gender at the core of the therapeutic process



Requires foundational knowledge of men's issues.



Utilizes therapeutic techniques & procedures designed to address men's mental health

## CLINICAL JUSTICE WITH BLACK MEN FOCUSES ON 3 KEY AREAS:

**Diagnosis:**  
Ensure that African American men and boys are properly diagnosed and not mis-diagnosed.

**Disposition:**  
Ensure that African American men and boys are sent to the most appropriate and least restrictive levels of care

**Treatment:**  
Ensure that African Americans men and boys are referred and connected to culturally competent service providers.