



DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY

FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR: "Our team is making such a positive impact- clinically, educationally, and scientifically. Giving people the opportunity to make things better is why our department continues to grow and attract new members."

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Raises awareness about and promotes good mental health. The observance is focused on creating a dialogue about mental health, ending the stigma that is often associated with mental illness, and encouraging people to seek help if they need it.

WELCOME TO PSYCHIATRY!

Peyton Lassiter, LPC, Child/Adolescent

Meghan Edwards, APP, Child/Adolescent

Jerard Elliott, LPC, Child Access

Jennifer Walter, PhD, Assistant Clinical Professor, Child/Adolescent

Dr. Carla Wall, PhD, Assistant Clinical Professor, Child/Adolescent

Dr. Chelsea Sawyers-Rooney, PhD, Assistant Professor, Child/Adolescent

REMINDER!

Faculty Meeting

Thursday March 28th
5:30pm at The Jackson Center, 1st Floor Conference Room



DEI UPDATE WITH STELLA LOPEZ, PSY.D

Dialogue to Action: Community-building Circles to Foster a Culture of Respect and a Shared Sense of Belonging

The Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is launching a new resource to foster more meaningful intergroup relationships and communications – **Dialogue to Action: Community-building Circles to Foster a Culture of Respect and a Shared Sense of Belonging**. A series of Community-building Circles are scheduled over the next few months that seek to:

- Create a sense of belonging through sharing stories and active listening.
- Build and strengthen relationships and connections.

- January 23, 2024 | noon - 1 p.m. (MMEC 7-200A)
- February 15, 2024 | 5 - 6 p.m. (MMEC 3-101)
- March 13, 2024 | 5 - 6 p.m. (MMEC 3-101)
- April 5, 2024 | noon - 1 p.m. (MMEC 3-101)
- April 23, 2024 | noon - 1 p.m. (MMEC 3-101)



Register

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
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