

CLARENCE JONES

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SKILLS AND EXPERTISE

- Community Engagement Consultant
- Project Management/Coordination
- Strategic Planning
- Community Outreach
- Public Relations/Speaking
- Budget Management/Financial System Knowledge
- Cultural Diversity Trainer
- Mentoring/Training Community Health Workers
- Program Development
- Personnel Management
- Contract Administration

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota School of Public Health, Minneapolis, MN

- Maternal Child Health Division Classes Concentration: Role of Fathers in the Lives of Families

Inver Hills Community College

- Community Health Worker Certificate, 2009

Concordia University, Saint Paul, MN

- Master of Education, Youth Development, 2002

Concordia College, Saint Paul, MN

- Bachelor of Arts, Communications & Organizational Development, 1992
- **Commonsense Childbirth School of Midwifery**
- Childbirth Education, doula and Lactations Educator, 2019

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Clarence Jones Consulting

**Minneapolis, MN
2017-present**

- **MN Board of Aging Cultural Consultant**
- **Hue-Man Advisory Board member**

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE

**Minneapolis, MN
2001 to 2017**

Community Health Outreach Program Director

- Created Community Engagement projects in Africa and Puerto Rico.
- Provided 20,000 free Health Screenings to Community Members. Worked with more than 125 Community Health Workers, nursing students providing medical access to participants.
- PHYTT (*Preparing Healthy Youth to Transform Tomorrow*) for Life Youth Center. A health information/activity center where youth ages 14-19 receive college preparation and education on holistic health.
- Collaborated Organ Donation Campaign with the University of Minnesota, Lifesource and other community members. Organ donation from African American Community increased from 29% in 2004 to 75% in 2006.
- Established Community Outreach Department with Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs helping veterans and their families access \$12 million of unclaimed benefits.
- Form and maintain relationships with government agencies and network with local community organizations to ensure community health programs and education are disseminated throughout communities.

SAINT PAUL URBAN LEAGUE

St. Paul, MN

Male Responsibility Program Manager for the Fathers & Families Initiative Project (FFIP)

1999 to 2001

- Researched and worked collaboratively with government and community agencies to develop programs for immigrant fathers, child support issues, paternity establishment & community involvement for young men.
- Created a Male Responsibility program to work with young men on being sexually responsible as well as being responsible citizens; held community information forums regarding issues of non-custodial fathers.
- Developed written proposals to acquire program funds; developed and presented reports regarding program activities, expenditures and budgets for federal, state and community training initiatives.
- Established Academic Fatherhood Training Program for Fatherhood Practitioners with Concordia University, the National Practitioners Network for Fathers and Families, businesses and civic agencies.

EMPLOYMENT ACTION CENTER (EAC)/RESOURCE, INC.

Minneapolis, MN

Director, Young Dads/Male Responsibility Program Facilitator/

1995 to 1999

Case Manager, Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP)

- Directed Young Dads Program working with other fathering groups to develop community programs to address parenting education.
- Created a collaborative relationship with unions and local employers to offer entry-level career employment opportunities for young fathers; administered and interpreted vocational assessments.
- Collaborated with community, judicial and other social service agencies regarding child support, paternity establishment and community involvement for young men.
- Facilitated the development of self-awareness, self-esteem and empowerment in participants through support, counseling and encouragement.

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- Developed curriculum, revised and updated training materials; monitored and evaluated training effectiveness. Reported outcomes according to contract requirements; wrote grants and RFP's for program funding.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- KMOJ Radio Host for "Community Health Dialogues"
- Sabathani Community Center Board Member
- Heritage Park YMCA Board Member
- University of Minnesota, Health Disparities Research Advisory Committee
- MN Fathers & Families Network Co-Founder and Board Member
- Minnesota Barbers Board, Public Member
- Clinical Translational Science Institute (CTSI), University of Minnesota

DISTINCTIONS AND AWARDS

- 2016 University of Minnesota School of Public Health Community Partner Agency Award
- "Black Men Healing" Conference. Recognition for Domestic Violence reduction work by the Sons of Bransford in 2008

PUBLICATIONS

Black Fathers: An Invisible Presence in America, Michael Connor and Joseph White, editors. Author of "Fatherhood Training: The Concordia Project" chapter.

Understanding Organ Donation: Applied Behavioral Science Perspectives, Jason T. Siegel and Eusebio M. Alvaro, editors. December 21, 2009. Contributing author of "The Effectiveness of the Donate Life—African American Campaign in Minneapolis-St. Paul. David M. Radosevich, Susan Mau Larson, Tiffany Scott, Clarence Jones, William Tendle and Susan Gunderson.