

Committee

The iaedp™ African-American Eating Disorders Professionals (AAEDP) Committee was established in June 2016 by founding co-chairs Emeritus Charlynn Small PhD, CEDS-S and Mazella Fuller, PhD, MSW, LCSW, CEDS-S with the mission of identifying, attracting, and engaging African-American Eating Disorders Professionals.

Committed to providing training and conducting research focused on the unique societal challenges impacting eating behavior and African Americans and the barriers to their professional advancement in the field.

Since African-Americans are representative in various groups, the AAEDP Committee proudly modeled inclusivity with the establishment of the Subcommittee Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC). In so doing, we recognize the complex cumulative challenges of racism, sexism and classism and how they combine, overlap and/or intersect.

Some of our **Committee Efforts**

- Culturally Competent Conversations (CCC) –
 "Let's Heal Together" Every 3rd Tuesday via
 Zoom
- "You Are Not Alone" Support Campaign monthly positive quotes spotlighting BIPOC culture
- 10 AAEDP-BIPOC Financial Aid Awards to assist with registration cost to iaedp Annual Symposium
- ✓ AAEDP-BIPOC Donation Fund to help provide assistance for a professional(s) to attend the iaedp Annual Symposium including their travel, accommodations and registration.
- Monthly Committee Meetings to build trust and encourage collaborations
- Promote, Support & Spotlight Committee
 Members on MemberSHARE.iaedp and social media

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