

Advisory Board

Name

Emmanuel Moyosola



Bio

External Advisory Board Member for BLACHIR/ University of Southampton Medical Student (BM6)/ Student ambassador Faculty of Medicine/ Student Ambassador for the Widening Access to Medicine Society (WAMSoc)/ Healthcare Assistant at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Birmingham) / Member of Redeemed Christian Church of God - Covenant Restoration Assembly Birmingham/ Running marshal at the Great Run Local Ley Hill/ Member of the British Medical Association (Birmingham Division)/ Member of Medical Defense Union

With my personal experience as a black African individual, I have endured and witnessed many different injustices and inequalities at work, in my education, at home in the community. It is important to have someone who can relate to the individuals we are researching on a personal level in order to have an inner perspective and to make the research as authentic as possible.

I have had many experiences with temporary accommodation in Birmingham and I have the first-hand experience of how living conditions can affect your health and mental well-being and so I feel well equipped to discuss topics surrounding health inequalities on a larger scale.

Tristan Johnson



Tristan Johnson is an advisory board member of the Birmingham and Lewisham African & Caribbean Health Inequalities Review.

Tristan has a range of experience. In 2016 he began his professional career at 21 as a Commodities Broker at TPICAP. At 26, he is now a financier in senior management at a Hedge Fund based in the City.

During his education and career, Tristan remained active in the community, in 2016, he raised over £5000 to narrow education inequalities at the Nabadisha School in Calcutta working with the CEO of VITAL for Children and a further £4000 for multiple other charities including MIND and Cancer Research UK. In 2019, Tristan launched Sauce Brixton an entertainment business that promotes afro-Caribbean artists and DJ's, engaging with South London venues and local businesses to organise community events and initiatives aimed at reducing inequalities in education and music. This initiative gained global recognition and was sponsored by Bacardi Drinks and is now sponsored by The Duppy Share Rum.

Tristan read Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) at Royal Holloway University. He was Chairman of the Politics Student-Staff Committee (2014-2016) and a member of the Economics Society Committee (2015-2016).

Name

Charlene Carter James

Bio

I aim to bring a big picture view of the mission of the Birmingham and Lewisham African & Caribbean Health Inequalities Review. Seeing the issues we face as a community through a strategic lens partnered with my sincere personal passion for advancing this mission I hope to provide highly relevant and effective advice to the review. My experiences in both the private sector and in working with the community in addressing inequality, I hope that my contribution will help lay the foundation for the kinds of informed innovation and scaling up that can solve health inequalities in our community for years to come.

Current Employment:

Project Manager - Saathi House
Creative Producer - Punch Records
Trustee - Home Start UK (North and Inner-City)

Experiences:

I have over 15 years' experience of youth and community engagement, events and creative arts programming. I started my career in Advice and Guidance and moved on to third sector project management developing and delivering alternative education projects in schools and community hubs, providing skill development, employment and access opportunities in the arts and creative industries with an overarching emphasis on health and wellbeing.

To date, I have developed several successful projects in London and Birmingham addressing the needs of young people and children and families in marginalised communities. 'Your Future, Your Choice' - a youth-based mentoring programme in South London, 'Project You' a female-only employability programme in East Birmingham and currently redeveloping operations, partnerships and strategic programming for Saathi House, a community organisation in Aston as Project Manager and Creative Producer of Gallery 37 North, a Birmingham based Arts initiative.

As a Home-Start UK trustee, I work as part of the management committee of a leading children and families support service. My role is to represent the service in all available capacities, by advocating on behalf of vulnerable people and encouraging an overall integral service and family life.

I have a specific interest in highlighting the lived experiences of black women during maternity care, black men and young people's access and diagnosis in the mental health system and the medical care and treatment of young black boys as a result of youth violence. By engagement and targeted research within the intersections of our community, I will aim to address the issues, examine the barriers and raise awareness. It's important that I advocate on behalf of those unheard voices and overlooked groups with a solution-focused and actions-based approach.

Name

Fola Afolabi

**Bio**

Fola Afolabi is a graduate management trainee at Imperial College London and works on redressing health inequalities and decolonising the medical education curriculum. She has lived in Lewisham since moving to the UK at the age of 10 and contributed to her local community through: being a young advisor for the Young Mayor's team, which also involved representing the Youth Council in Prague and Norway; serving as a representative for Lewisham on the UK Youth Parliament; mentoring young people as part of NCS The Challenge programme; being a youth delegate for the Downham branch of the Labour Party; and being a member of the Lewisham East Labour Party BAME Forum. Fola is a Phoenix Community Housing resident and a member of #BEin - Phoenix's youth panel. She is looking forward to informing the Birmingham and Lewisham African & Caribbean Health Inequalities Review as a member of the advisory board.

Sam Dias



I have over 25 years of experience working with a variety of communities, in a range of capacities. I have won National specialise in engaging seldom heard voices. I have worked with and represented residents at every level of decision making.

I aim to bring to the role innovative approaches, seldom heard voices, community connections and an in-depth knowledge of disadvantaged and hidden communities.

Experiences:

- Former ward councillor
- Neighbourhood management, Neighbourhood manager (National Award Winner)
- Strategic Race officer
- Unison BAME (Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Representative)
- Disability staff representative
- Local government officer
- Department of Work and Pensions outreach employment advisor)
- Shaw Trust (Disability Employment Advisor)

Sabrina Dixon



I am a proud mother of three, a qualified secondary school teacher and Executive Director of Social Inclusion recovery group CIC based in Lewisham Borough. After becoming mentally unwell I entered the world of Social Care to explore my passion for fighting for inclusivity and equality. As a community led individual, I strive to be apart of the solutions. I attend local committee meetings and events; I am a member of SLCT Lewisham BME Network and an Associate member of Lewisham Mental Health Alliance Board and a JRHYS associate.

Role: Executive Director of Social Inclusion Recovery Group CIC

Experiences: Relevant to BLACHIR

Unfortunately, I have had first-hand experience of the inequalities faced by the African and Caribbean communities in Health Care. The prejudice and discrimination I faced had a detrimental effect on being able to access the support I needed.

Name

Zeid A Hussein

**Bio**

Due to these factors I formed SIRG C.I.C which is an advocacy company for the black community. I speak with and support individuals from our borough that have been mistreated, unsupported, negatively labelled and not able to access the health care they require and are entitled to. Our work helps to combat these inequalities by being an advocate for them.

My experiences and community networks will be a vital to this review and the fight for health equality.

Project Manager/Advisor

Experiences/Education:

- (MPA) Masters in Public Administration
- BA (Hons) Business Management
- Advisor to Office for National Statistics (ONS)
- Prince2 Certified
- Leadership Development Award