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Providing Evidence-Based Treatments for Addiction in Non-Traditional Settings

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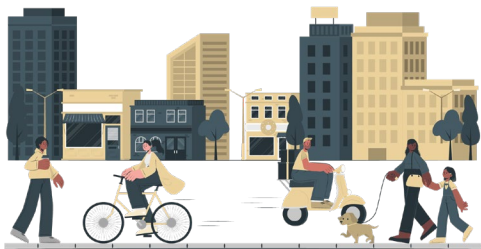
Jordan Wellness Collaborative (JWC)

- CBP research, education and clinical program
- Improves access to EBP for minoritized people w/ SUD
- Enhance community engagement in research
- Provides treatment in non-traditional settings to improve mental health/addiction outcomes



Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR)

Partnership approach to research that equitably involves **community members**, key stakeholders (**Black and Latine PWUD**), **researchers**, and others in all aspects of the research process

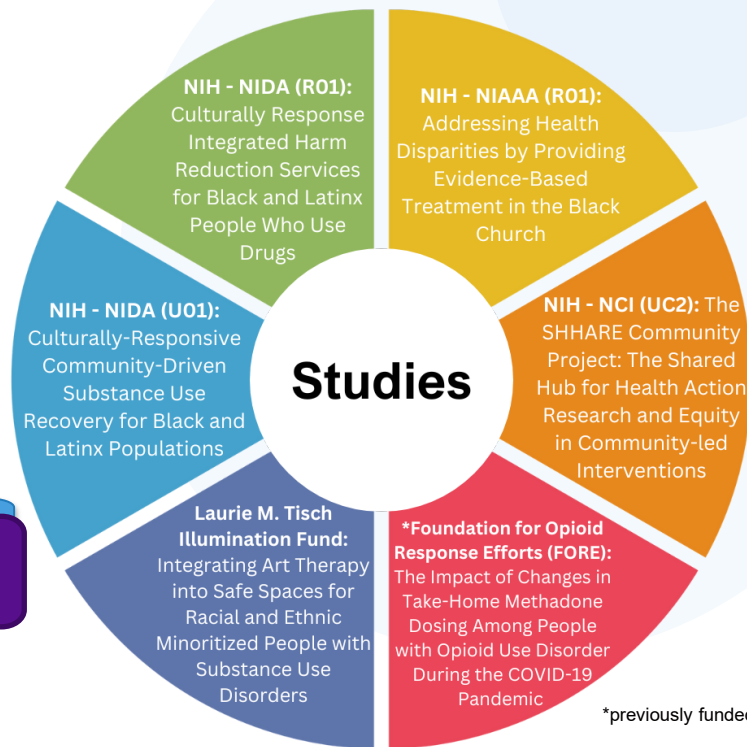


CONTINUUM OF RESEARCH

Research **ON**
communities

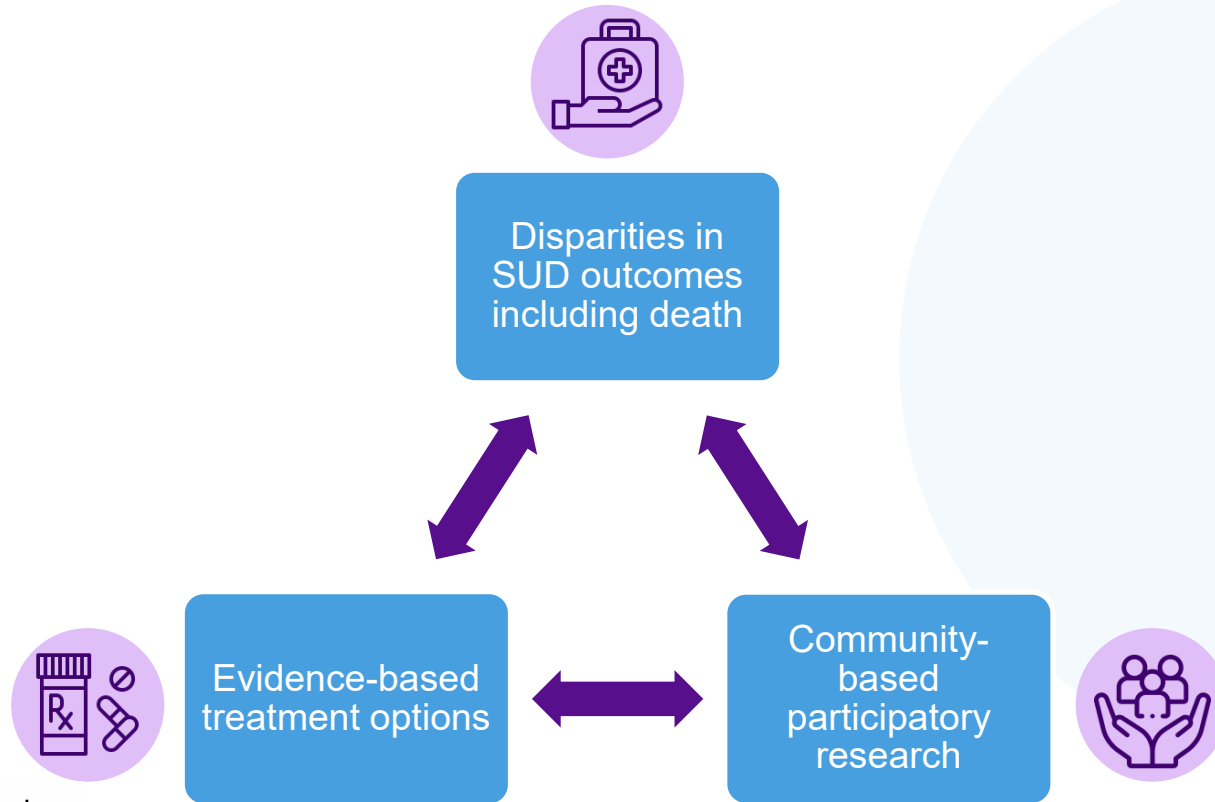
Research **IN**
communities

Research **WITH**
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3 Bodies of Work Inform Our Research





The Imani Breakthrough Project

A community, cultural and faith-based recovery initiative for Black and Latinx communities in response to our current opioid crisis

Imani: Swahili for “faith”



IMANI Breakthrough Honored
for Transformational Work in
Community

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Part 1

12 weeks of classes and activities focused on wellness enhancement (8 dimensions of wellness)

5Rs of Citizenship Enhancement: Roles, Responsibilities, Relationships, Resources, Rights

Coaches provide weekly check-ins and are there to assist participants towards obtaining their recovery, hopes and dreams

Part 2

10 weeks mutual support (post 12-week group education component)

Culturally-informed opioid education, Harm reduction, and naloxone distribution (OEND)

Ensuring harm reduction

The importance of mutual support

Intensive wraparound support

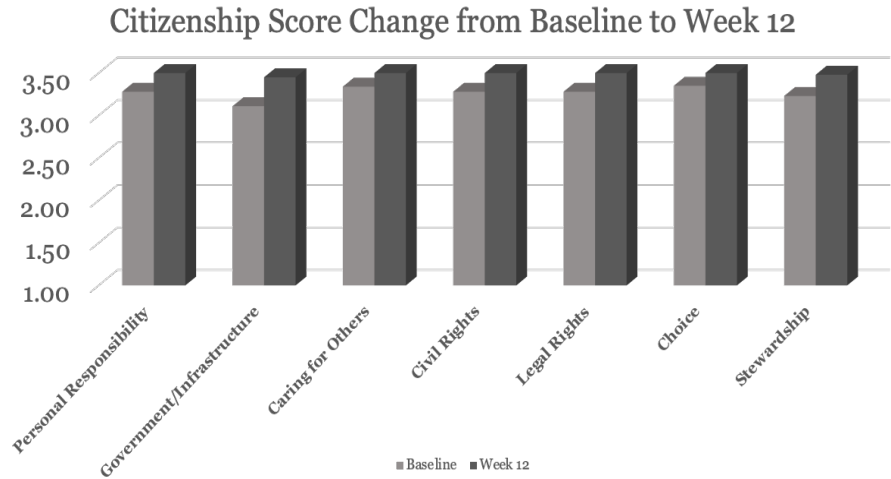
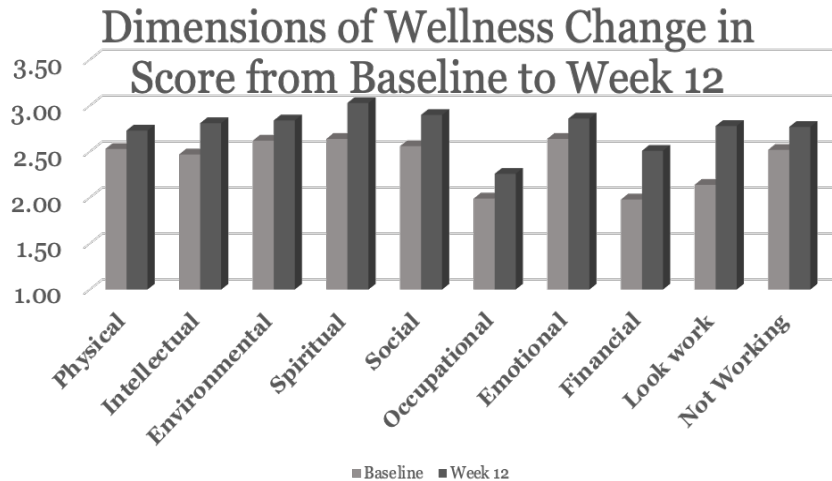
Coaching in a safe and familiar environment

Training facilitators (community/churches and those with lived experience of substance use)

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Positive Change in Social Determinants and Citizenship Score, n=808



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Addiction Treatment in the Black Community



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SUD Treatment in the Black Church

DEMOGRAPHICS (N=40) (Pilot Study)

28% did not complete high school
59% were high school graduates
13% completed some college-level work.

8% employed

33% disabled

64% had never been married or were living alone

46.2 % cocaine, 30.8% alcohol, cannabis, 12.8% and opioids, 10.3%

Half of the sample 53.8% met criteria for SEVERE SUD, DSM 5

DEMOGRAPHICS (N=122) (R01 Study)

30% did not complete high school
39% were high school graduates
31% completed some college-level work.

16% employed

35% disabled

94% had never been married or were living alone

Most of the sample 92.6% met criteria for Moderate or Severe AUD, DSM 5

Majority of sample 83% with nicotine use (at least one day in the past 30 days, mean 22 days)

More than half the sample 63.1% met criteria for an additional current SUD, DSM 5

40% current Cannabis Use Disorder, 48% current CUD, 6% current PCP Disorder 4% current OUD

Greetings & Welcome to Dixwell Church	Research Assistants	Participants	Spiritual Session (Conducted by CHAs)	Participants	CHAs engage in prayer with any participant who request	Session Ends
Participants welcomed by CHAs	Collect Urine samples and conduct EtOH breathalyzers	Get a snack and sit with tablets	Open with Affirmation that God hears prayer, then Scripture from 1 John 5:15 And Scripture from Psalm 142 Listen to the song of the day for strengthening of your prayer life	Complete CBT4CBT module on tablet Complete CBT4CBT workbook		



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- Cannabis and tobacco (blunt use) → significant adverse health effects (Hindocha & McClure, 2020; Lim, et al., 2023)



- Higher rates of cannabis and tobacco observed among Black populations c/w other groups (Montgomery, 2015; Montgomery, Robinson, Seaman et al., 2017; Pulvers, Jamalian, Suh et al., 2024)
- Culturally-tailored social-media based group intervention for young Black adults with heavy blunt use; K23DA042130) (social support, self-awareness, reasons to quit, encouragement, stress management and education)

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A Scoping Review and Meta-Analysis of Psychosocial and Pharmacological Treatments for Cannabis and Tobacco Use Among African Americans

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Prevalence and Correlates of Daily Blunt Use among U.S. African American, Hispanic and White Adults from 2014 to 2018

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Blunts versus joints: Cannabis use characteristics and consequences among treatment-seeking adults

[LaTrice Montgomery](#)¹, [Erin A McClure](#)², [Rachel L Tomko](#)², [Susan C Sonne](#)², [Theresa Winhusen](#)¹, [Garth E Terry](#)³, [Jason T Grossman](#)⁴, [Kevin M Gray](#)²

Rolling and scrolling: The portrayal of marijuana cigars (blunts) on YouTube

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