



Culture Connections

Your CC News & Updates

Welcome to Family Connections' Culture Connections Spring 2020 Season!

We first want to acknowledge the ongoing concerns regarding COVID-19 and affirm that we are hopeful and solution focused in supporting our community of providers and clients. We have made temporary changes in our services to reflect the needs and the directives from the CDC and state, and we encourage you to stay connected via our webinars, newsletters, web-site and via email/phone for updates and support.

Our mission is to improve mental health services and outcomes in northern NJ by enhancing the cultural competence of mental health professionals...

And we're excited to share with you some news about our program and team, as well as some upcoming webinars and services!

Check out the news below and online for more updates. Have a great day, full of healthy connections!
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Upcoming Webinars

April 17, 2020
Spiritually Sensitive Social Work: Integrating Spirituality and Religion into Practice
Presented by Anthony Nicotera

This workshop will discuss the importance of spiritually sensitive social work practice. It will present insights and exercises from: the spirituality, social justice, and multi-faith leadership courses; domestic and international faith and community-based work. It also will present findings from research and writing on spirituality and mental health. For more information and to register, click [here](#).



Service Spotlight

Meet your Culture Connections Team!

Konniesha Moulton, Director of Programs, & Co-Chair of Cultural Competence Committee

Konniesha has an extensive background in the child welfare system and the children's system of care as well as numerous specialties including ARC, PCIT, SMART, and Motivational Interviewing. She has been a leader at Family Connections for 10 years this year!



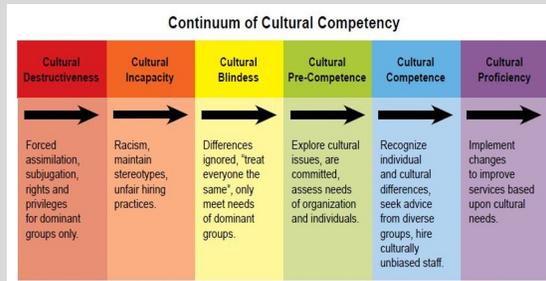
Jayne Ganey, Program Manager & Co-Chair of Cultural Competency Committee

Jayne has delved into clinical, case management, and psychoeducation roles in mental health for adults,

caregivers, and families for 7 years and has been a trainer for 16 years. She is excited to join the Family Connections team this year!

Learn more about [the Team](#).

Striving for Cultural Proficiency in 2020!



Did You Know about DMHAS's Commitment to Growing Agencies' Cultural Proficiency?

Cultural competence has long been a goal for DMHAS licensed agencies.

In late 2019, however, DMHAS decided to put cultural competency efforts front and center for 2020.

Licensed agencies are working with Culture Connections in Northern NJ to devise or revise cultural competence plans according to [Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services](#) (CLAS) national standards to better address organizational cultural proficiency from management to administration to direct care staff to client relationships.

To find out more about what agencies are doing to strengthen their commitment to cultural proficiency, click [here](#).