Polly Edwards-Padgett
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With seventeen years of experience in the field of teen pregnancy prevention across South Carolina, Polly came home to Spartanburg to assist her hometown in reducing teen pregnancy. As a former executive director of a local teen pregnancy prevention coalition, director of technical assistance for the SC Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy and consultant to various reproductive health groups, Polly is leading the efforts in Spartanburg funded by the Office of Adolescent Health. Her passion and extensive experience in holistic adolescent health, positive youth development and access to reproductive health programs and services is leading the community to prevent social disparities and reduce unplanned pregnancies.

Linda Sprague Martinez, Ph.D., is associate professor and chair of the Macro Department at the Boston University School of Social Work. She is interested in examining asset-based strategies to tackle health inequities; as such community engaged research (CEnR) approaches like community based participatory research (CBPR) and youth led participatory action research (YPAR) are central to her work. Having formerly worked in municipal and state governance, and as an adolescent mental health provider, she brings practical expertise in community collaborations designed to engage diverse communities of color and low-income residents in community planning and intervention development. In 2017 she was a Boston Housing Authority, Center for Community Engagement and Civil Rights, Resident Empowerment Coalition, Resident Empowerment Honoree.

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Wednesday, March 25, 2020

11:30 – 1:30 PM

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11:30 – 11:55 AM
WELCOME & ACTION PLANNING
Meghan Smith, Savannah Ray, and Ron Fairchild

11:55 – 12:55 PM
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT
Polly Edwards-Padgett, Mary Black Foundation
Group Facilitator: Linda Sprague Martinez, Ph.D.

12:55 – 1:10 PM
Q&A

1:10 – 1:20 PM
CLOSE and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Note: The Speed Networking Event originally scheduled for April 9, has been tentatively rescheduled for Wednesday, May 13th, from 11:30 – 2:30 PM at the Drayton Mills 100 Events Center.