

The Young Lives Research Lab Seminar Series

Re-Tracing the African, Caribbean, and European (ACE) Pathways to Care in First-Episode Psychosis Project

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The *African, Caribbean, and European (ACE) Project*, funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (2010–2013; PI Dr. Kwame McKenzie), looked at the pathways that these three different ethnic groups took from first-onset psychosis to treatment in an early intervention (EI) program.

The *Re-Tracing the ACE Pathways to Care in First-Episode Psychosis* was the knowledge dissemination initiative for the ACE Project which aimed at moving the ACE Project findings into the public arena and bringing together knowledge users, community groups, researchers, and policy-makers to engage in discourse and action. To ensure maximum impact of the study findings, our team decided to use an arts-based medium to capture the complexity, barriers, and subjective experiences of the journeys to and first encounters with care, using digital stories. People with lived experience of psychosis, their family members, and front-line staff working in EI programs were invited to take part in a three day Digital Stories Workshop. The eighteen digital stories developed during the workshops were shared at a Forum that took place during Mental Health Awareness Week 2014. This presentation will share critical lessons in implementing the *Re-Tracing Project*, focusing on the ethical challenge of using an arts-based initiative that addresses health.

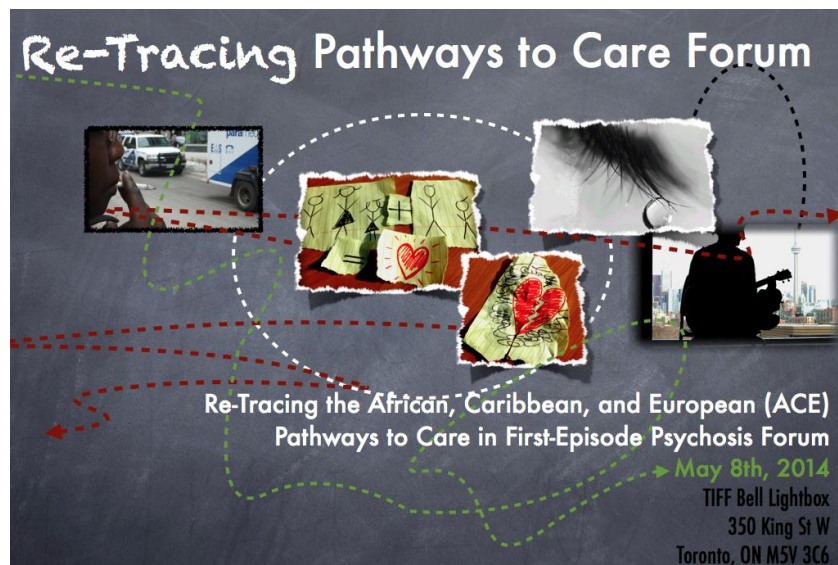


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