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YWCA Hartford Region Invites Community to Discuss the Disparity of Discipline for Girls of Color

Hartford, Conn. - YWCA Hartford Region will host Community Matters: “Disparity of Discipline for Girls of Color,” Wednesday, January 24, 2018, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at YWCA Hartford Region’s Soromundi Room. This panel discussion will feature Stephanie Milan, associate professor of psychology at the UCONN Center for the Study of Culture, Health, and Human Development and Terrell Hill, assistant superintendent for human resources, Windsor Public Schools. Chion Wolf, producer and announcer at WNPR, will moderate the discussion.

This free event will take the audience on a discussion of how girls of color receive a disproportionate degree of discipline and punishment to nonviolent student behavior that is subjectively interpreted as disrespectful, including being 2.7 times more likely to be referred to juvenile justice than white girls. The panel will discuss how these disparities force girls of color into a more adult role at a younger age and how it adversely affects their ability and will to learn and adapt to their environment. The event will also offer actionable steps the community can follow in an effort to reduce these disparities.

Register online at www.ywc Hartford.org.

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