Guest Bio: **Samuel Aymer, PhD**

Dr. Samuel R. Aymer is an Associate Professor of social work at Hunter College School of Social Work where he teaches Clinical Practice with Individuals and Families. He is also the chairperson of the clinical practice sequence. His scholarly endeavors centers on the intersection of masculinity, African American men, race, intimate partner violence, fatherhood and psychotherapeutic interventions. Prior to entering academia, Dr. Aymer worked for several health, mental health, and victim assistance organizations throughout New York City. Dr. Aymer worked for a variety of child welfare agencies throughout his career. And as director of training for several child welfare programs, he developed training modules, seminars and workshops designed to educate social workers about trauma, violence, intimate partner abuse, diversity and the lived experiences of Black families affected by the child welfare system. Dr. Aymer has an MSW and a Ph.D. in clinical social work. He conducts workshops and lectures on family violence, trauma, African-American lifestyle issues, cross-cultural counseling, and diversity. Dr. Aymer maintains a clinical private practice—specializing in individual treatment with adolescents and adults.

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