



ACE AMERICAN
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EPIDEMIOLOGY

2019 MINORITY AFFAIRS WORKSHOP



September 7, 2019, 12-5pm
HILTON PASADENA, PASADENA, CA

[HTTPS://WWW.ACEPIDEMIOLOGY.ORG/MINORITY-AFFAIRS](https://www.acepidemiology.org/minority-affairs)

PROGRAM

12:00PM

NETWORKING LUNCH

1:00PM

KEYNOTE

DR. VICKIE M. MAYS
DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR, UCLA

2:00 PM

MAC STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION
(OPEN TO ALL)

4:00 PM

RESILIENCE IN THE ACADEMY:
CAREER DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES
AND OPPORTUNITIES

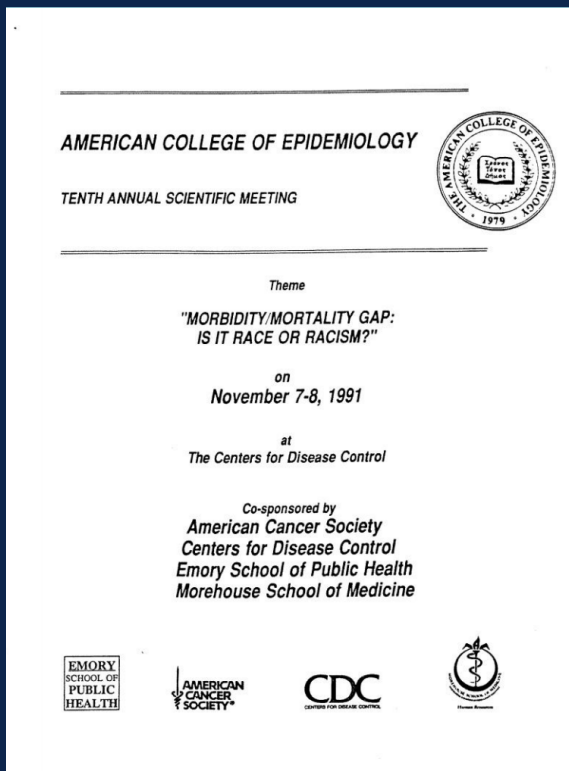
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CLOSING REMARKS

6:00 PM

GROUP DINNER

A look back...



ACE 10th Annual Scientific
Meeting, 1991 in Atlanta, GA

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. William (Bill) Carter Jenkins

William (Bill) Carter Jenkins, PhD, MS, MPH, one of the founding members of the Minority Affairs Committee (1991) passed Feb. 17, 2019 in Charleston, S.C., at the age of 73. Dr. Jenkins was a speaker at the 2015 MAC workshop in Atlanta, GA, where he charged those in attendance with resolving to continue to fight racism and find ways to eliminate health disparities.

Dr. Jenkins was a staunch advocate of racial equality and social justice. Below is an abridged timeline of his career accomplishments and the many contributions he made to society and public health.

* BA in mathematics from Morehouse College, 1967

* U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, 1967-1974 (one of the first African Americans in the Commissioned Corps)

* Founder/Editor of DRUM (Black DHEW Employees Newsletter), 1968-1970 - attempted to draw media attention to the Tuskegee Syphilis Study

* MS in Biostatistics from Georgetown University, 1974

* MPH in Epidemiology from UNC School of Public Health, 1977; became one of the first African American epidemiology PhD students there.

* PhD in Epidemiology from UNC School of Public Health, 1983 (one of the first Black PhD epidemiologists in the U.S.)

* Founded Public Health Sciences Institute, Morehouse College, 1981

* Founded Society for the Analysis of African American Public Health Issues (SAAPHI), 1991

* Planning committee member for the ACE 1991 annual meeting, "Morbidity/Mortality Gap - Is it Race or Racism?"

* Founding member of the ACE Committee on Minority Affairs (MAC), 1991

* American College of Epidemiology, Board of Directors, 1994-1996 (Possibly the first African American on the ACE BOD)

* Tuskegee Syphilis Study Legacy Committee, member 1996-1999 (helped to obtain President Clinton's apology for the study)

* American College of Epidemiology, Committee on Minority Affairs, Chair, 1997-1999

* Abraham Lilienfeld Award from APHA Epidemiology Section, 2009.

* Opening General Session Keynote Speaker, American Public Health Association 138th Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, 2010.

A more comprehensive timeline and other archives can be found here:

<https://go.unc.edu/BillJenkins>

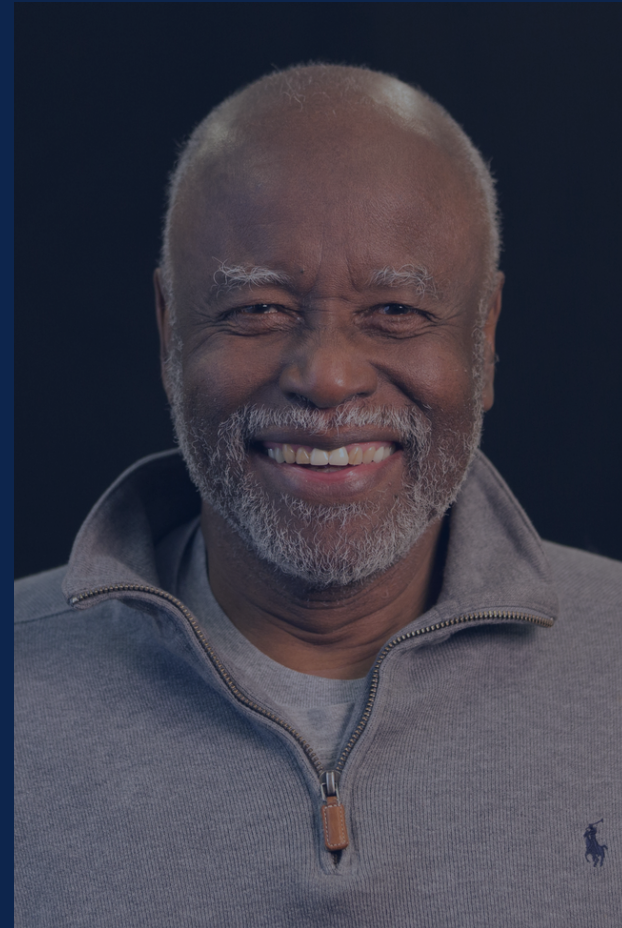


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Keynote Speaker

Vickie M. Mays, PhD, MSPH

**Distinguished Professor of Psychology UCLA College of Letters and Science
and Distinguished Professor
of Health Policy and Management, UCLA Fielding School of Public Health**



Vickie M. Mays, Ph.D., MSPH has a long history with the American College of Epidemiology Minority Affairs Committee. She is an ACE Fellow. She served as the Chair of the Minority Affairs Committee from 2000-2006 and served as the Chair of 5 pre-conference scientific meetings ranging in topics from “Community-Based Participatory Research with Native Americans and Latino Communities: Epidemiologists in the Community to, “Race and Pharmacogenomics: What’s An Epidemiologist to Do?” She continued to serve on the pre-conference scientific committee through 2009. In 2010 she was appointed by the ACE Board to the ACE Policy committee where she served as ACE’s liaison to the International Joint Policy Committee for the Societies of Epidemiology. In her role on the policy committee she led the development of cases studies that were published in the Annals of Epidemiology on health disparities and an often utilized one on gun control policy and mental illness. The case studies were designed by the members of the ACE Policy Committee to provide leadership in the field of the role that epidemiologist can play in bringing science to important societal issues. Her commitment to the training of epidemiologist particularly with an emphasis on inclusion and diversity that enhances the science of epidemiology has been a clear focus of many of her activities in ACE. In addition to the scientific meetings, she was one of the early participants in the development and promotion of the 1995 Statement of Principles: Epidemiology and Minority Populations. With the leadership of Ross Brownson and Jonathan Samet she participated in a study yielding a publication on future directions for the training of epidemiologists.

Professor Mays received her training in psychiatric epidemiology as a postdoc at the University of Michigan’s Institute for Social Research and during her Health Policy Fellowship at the Rand Corporation and UCLA’s School of Public Health. She is currently the Director of an NIMHD funded Center on Minority Health Disparities known for its innovative methods in research on physical and mental health disparities.

About the MAC

The Minority Affairs Committee assesses the status of minorities in the profession, the role of the College in promoting increased minority representation in epidemiology and in the College, and recommends actions to increase research on health concerns of minority populations.

Committee Members

Bertha A. Hidalgo, Chair

Victor J. Schoenbach (ex-officio)

Chandra L. Ford

Robert Campbell

Sophia Allen

Tamala Gondwe

Peter Buzzacott

Endia Santee

Julie Smith Gagen

Jin Mou

Ram Lakhan

Reza Alaghebandan

German Gonzalez

Raynard Washington

Mulubirhan Assefa

Riddhi Doshi

Verna Welch

Jonathan Tobin

Victor Cardenas, BOD Liason

Charles Oke, Membership Committee Liaison (ex-officio)

Vickie M. Mays (ex-officio)



A Message from the Chair

The Minority Affairs Committee could use your energy and expertise to elevate and disseminate health disparities research and professional initiatives within the field of epidemiology. We welcome all individuals interested in fulfilling the mission and vision of the MAC. For more information, please email bhidalgo@uab.edu.

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