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Dr. Michael A. Lindsey is a noted scholar in the fields of child and adolescent mental health, as well as a leader in the search for knowledge and solutions to generational poverty and inequality. He is the Executive Director of the [McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research at New York University \(NYU\)](#), the Martin Silver Professor of Poverty Studies at NYU Silver School of Social Work, and an Aspen Health Innovators Fellow. He also leads a university-wide Strategies to Reduce Inequality initiative from the NYU McSilver Institute.

At the NYU McSilver Institute, Dr. Lindsey leads a team of researchers, clinicians, social workers and other professionals who are committed to creating new knowledge about the root causes of poverty, developing evidence-based interventions to address its consequences, and rapidly translating their findings into action through policy and best practices.

Among their latest work is a three-year research grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to study the effectiveness of a [novel treatment intervention](#) for keeping Black adolescents engaged in depression treatment.

Previously, Dr. Lindsey was an Associate Professor at the University of Maryland School of Social Work and a Faculty Affiliate at the University of Maryland Department of Psychiatry's Center for School Mental Health.

Dr. Lindsey leads the working group of experts supporting the Congressional Black Caucus Emergency Taskforce on Black Youth Suicide and Mental Health, which created the report [*Ring the Alarm: The Crisis of Black Youth Suicide in America*](#). Also, he is a standing member of Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) National Advisory Council at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and a Distinguished Fellow of the National Academies of Practice (NAP) in Social Work. As well, he is on the editorial board of the journal *Administration and Policy in Mental Health and Mental Health Services Research*.

Dr. Lindsey holds a PhD in social work and MPH from the University of Pittsburgh, an MSW from Howard University, and a BA in sociology from Morehouse College.