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### ***Beyond Parity: Why Children's Mental Health is a Justice Issue***



**FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2021 | 12:00-1:00 PM/PT**

Dionne Benson-Smith earned her M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University. A transdisciplinary scholar of Public Policy, Black Feminist Theory and Gender Studies, her work is informed by her personal experiences as Black woman and parenting children with ADHD. Dr. Benson-Smith is the co-creator of Mothers on the Frontline's Children's Mental Health Justice framework. She resides in Southern California where she teaches in the Applied Gender Studies Program at Claremont Graduate University.

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