



Washington State Psychological Association

WSPA's Acknowledgment of Black History Month

WSPA is striving to do more to honor the historical and current contributions of Black Psychologists and educate ourselves and our communities. We know we have a long way to go. As we learn to do that, we want to encourage you to take the time to educate yourself, and to more fully recognize the necessity of racial diversity in Psychology. We strive to recognize our own biases, untangle the complexities of systemic oppression, build genuine and honest relationships across races, and together find ways to dismantle systemic racism. Much too often in history, Black Americans' contributions and triumphs are suppressed, silenced, or forgotten. Here are some resources to educate ourselves and acknowledge the efforts and excellences of Black Psychologists and their contributions:

- [Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 1967 address at APA's Annual Convention](#)
- [The significance of Doctors Kenneth and Mamie Clark's "Doll Test"](#)
- [The Journal of Black Psychology](#)
- [Black Pioneers in Mental Health](#)
- [Speaking Truth to Power: How Black/African Psychology Changed the Discipline of Psychology](#)