The history of National Minority Health can be traced back to April 1915, when Dr. Booker T. Washington drafted a letter to African American newspapers urging the observance of "National Negro Health Week." As a result of his efforts, a month long initiative to improve the health of all minorities across the country is observed annually in April.


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**National Minority Health Month April Events**

**Parenting Resources Help Desk**
- **Date:** April 6, 2015 · **Time:** 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. · **Location:** Evers-Williams Institute
- Erica Collins-Young will speak with Jackson Medical Mall patrons regarding available parenting resources.

**Documentary and Discussion of “Robert’s World”**
- **Date:** April 8, 2015 · **Time:** 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. · **Location:** UMMC School of Nursing, Room A140a
- **Facilitator:** Dr. Marino Bruce
- Following a 15-minute viewing of the documentary, “Robert’s World”, Dr. Bruce will lead a facilitated discussion regarding Robert’s plight as an African American male seeking care for end stage renal disease.

**Mental Health Resources Help Desk**
- **Date:** April 13, 2015 · **Time:** 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. · **Location:** Evers-Williams Institute
- Dr. Marino Bruce will speak with Jackson Medical Mall patrons regarding available mental health resources and mental health needs.

**Health Care Access Resources Help Desk**
- **Date:** April 20, 2015 · **Time:** 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. · **Location:** Evers-Williams Institute
- Mary Crump, RN, MSN, MPH will speak with Jackson Medical Mall patrons regarding available health and health care resources.

**Health Disparities Journal Club**
- **Date:** April 21, 2015 · **Time:** 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. · **Location:** UMMC School of Nursing, Room A140a
- **Facilitator:** Kimberlly Stringer, MD, MPH, FAAP, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Linda F. Pendleton, MSW, LCSW, Licensed Clinical Social Worker at UMMC’s Division of Child Development and Behavioral Pediatric

**Community Discussion in Partnership with the Mississippi State Department of Health**
- **“Unnatural Causes: “In Sickness and In Wealth”**
- **Date:** April 21, 2015 · **Time:** 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. · **Location:** UMMC Conference Center, Dunleith Room
- **Facilitator:** Dr. Corey Wiggins, Director Mississippi Economic Policy Center

**Community Resources Help Desk**
- **Date:** April 27, 2015 · **Time:** 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. · **Location:** Evers-Williams Institute
- Annie R. Baker, MPPA will speak with Jackson Medical Mall patrons regarding available community resources.