

AGENDA - FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026

- 7:15 – 7:45 AM** Registration / Check-in / Continental Breakfast
- 7:45 – 8:00 AM** Welcome/Opening Remarks
Ronald Cowan, MD, PhD & Regan Williams, MD
- 8:00 – 8:30 AM** Panel (10-minute presentations)
Delvin Lane, Executive Director - 901 BLOC Squad
Charlie Caswell, Jr., County Commissioner - District 6
Michelle Miller, Program Manager - Knowledge Quest
- 8:30 – 8:45 AM** Comments and Welcome - Mayor Paul Young (non-CME)
- 8:45 – 9:45 AM** Keynote Speaker: The Anatomy of Violence: Implications for Prevention, Prediction, and Punishment
Adrian Raine, PhD
- 9:45 – 10:00 AM** Question and Answer with Keynote Speaker, Dr. Raine
- 10:00 - 10:15 AM** Break
- 10:15 – 10:45 AM** Healing the Invisible Wounds: Mental Health Counseling and Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Programs
Regan Williams, MD
- 10:45 –11:15 AM** Intimate Partner Violence
Sarah Leat, LCSW, PhD
- 11:15 – 11:45 AM** Community Violence Intervention: The SWITCH Model
Susan Deason
- 11:45 – 12:15 PM** Lunch/Networking
- 12:15 – 12:45 PM** Preventing Long-term Anger and Aggression in Youth (PLAAY)
Howard C. Stevenson, PhD
- 12:45 – 1:00 PM** Question and Answer with Dr. Stevenson
- 1:00 – 1:15 PM** Break
- 1:15 – 1:45 PM** Ecosystem: Convening/Coordinating Around Violence Prevention
Valerie Matthews
- 1:45 – 2:15 PM** Lead and Violence in Memphis
Jason Yaun, MD
- 2:15 – 2:45 PM** A Call to Action - A Unified Approach to Ending Violence
Altha Stewart, MD
- 2:45 – 3:00 PM** Closing Remarks/Adjourn
Ronald Cowan, MD, PhD & Regan Williams, MD
- 3:00 PM – museum close** Optional Self-Guided Tour of the National Civil Rights Museum

ACTIVITY MEDICAL DIRECTOR



Ronald L. Cowan, MD, PhD
Harrison Distinguished Professor and Chair
Department of Psychiatry
University of Tennessee Health Science Center

REGISTRATION

Space is limited. Online registration is available at: <https://cenow.uthsc.edu/content/2026-norfleet-forum>
There is no cost to attend this forum.



ACTIVITY LOCATION

The National Civil Rights Museum
450 Mulberry Street
Memphis, TN 38103

PARKING

Free parking is available in the museum's visitor lot for participants in the forum.

To enter the visitor lot, turn north onto Mulberry Street from G.E. Patterson Avenue.

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2026 Frank M. Norfleet Forum
for the Advancement of Health

Violence Prevention through a Public Safety Lens

Department of Psychiatry



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OVERVIEW

The Frank M. Norfleet Forum for the Advancement of Health was established at UT Health Science Center in 1979 through a designated fund within the Community Foundation of Greater Memphis. The mission of the Norfleet Forum is to focus on the improvement of the health status of the citizens who reside in Memphis / Shelby County, the State of Tennessee, the nation, and the world, through concern for effective health policies and organization. The 2026 Norfleet Forum will focus on violence prevention. Multiple sectors including public health, community organizations, and law enforcement will convene to discuss the root causes of violence. Participants will gain insight on how to develop and utilize methods and strategies needed to effectively treat patients impacted by adverse events.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- An increased knowledge of the ways to influence social and environmental determinants to reduce violence in both adults and children within our community
- An increased knowledge of the brain basis for violence and the impact of social and environmental factors on brain function
- Identify the resources that are available to physicians, and other healthcare professionals that could be utilized as hospital-based violence intervention programs
- Implement behavioral interventions, such as conflict resolution training, mentoring programs, street outreach, and hospital-based programs and implement environmental interventions, such as lead reduction, blight reduction and green spacing, and dietary improvements, to reduce both immediate and long-term harm
- Improved outcomes by addressing the impact of violence on the population within our community and providing resources to curtail and reduce the influence of this social determinant of health

DESIRED OUTCOME

The goal of the 2026 Norfleet Forum is to serve as a dynamic platform uniting experts and advocates dedicated to addressing the need for the prevention of violence in our community. Participants will discuss the various methods and strategies that healthcare professionals and community leaders can implement to reduce violence and address the needs of patients affected by it. The agenda for the day is designed to include insightful discussions, impactful presentations, and collaborative initiatives aimed at an increased knowledge of how violence impacts the delivery of healthcare. Together, we will explore innovative strategies to reduce the factors that increase the risk of violence and strengthen those that protect against it.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Physicians, psychologists, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, fellows, residents, students, administrators, business leaders, civic and community leaders, and anyone who works in or with community healthcare providers

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Adrian Raine, PhD

Richard Perry University Professor
Departments of Criminology, Psychiatry, and
Psychology
University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Raine is noted for his research on the neurobiological and biosocial causes of antisocial and violent behavior in children and adults. He was the first scientist to use neuroimaging to study the brains of murderers. In 2013, he authored the textbook, *The Anatomy of Violence*. The textbook won that year's Athenaeum Literary Award.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Charlie Caswell, Jr.

County Commissioner - District 6

Susan Deason

Executive Director Memphis Allies Initiative
Youth Villages

Delvin Lane

Executive Director, 901 BLOC Squad

Sarah Leat, LCSW, PhD

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Howard C. Stevenson, PhD

Constance E. Clayton Professor of Urban Education and
Africana Studies
Director, Resilience Empowerment Collaborative
University of Pennsylvania

Altha Stewart, MD

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Regan Williams, MD

Professor, Department of Surgery
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Jason Yaun, MD

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