Our October discussion observes YWCA Week Without Violence and focuses on how men and white people can contribute to the elimination of racial and gender-based violence.

Moderator

Rhonda L. Fleming, Chief of Prevention, Intervention, and Outreach, Women’s Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh

Rhonda Fleming is the director of education and outreach at the Women's Center and Shelter (WC&S) of Greater Pittsburgh--one of the country's oldest domestic violence shelters for women and their children. Rhonda facilitates weekly groups with men on the effects of battering and abuse. Under her leadership and direction, MENS (Men Embracing Non-violence & Safety) was the first Allegheny County batterer's intervention program to receive full certification by the County Department of Human Services. She received her BA in administration of justice from the University of Pittsburgh and a MA in organizational leadership at Geneva College.
Nick Silveri-Hiller, Senior Prevention Specialist, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Nick Silveri-Hiller joined PCADV in March of 2017 and is currently a senior prevention specialist. He joined the movement to end intimate partner violence over five years ago. While in college working on his BA in women’s and gender studies with minors in sociology and African American studies at West Chester University, Nick was a peer educator at the Women’s Center engaging men in sexual assault prevention. After graduating, he began his prevention education career at The Chester County Crime Victim’s Center and later joined ACCESS-York/Victim Assistance Center of YWCA York.

Chris McAneny, Teen Program Manager, Homeless Children’s Education Fund

Chris McAneny’s work in the nonprofit sector has focused on family and student empowerment. Before joining the Homeless Children’s Education Fund, he served as an education specialist and then child advocate at the Women’s Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh for 8 years. Chris is also founder and former executive director at 3E Now, an organization that uses primary prevention education to end unhealthy relationships in our communities. He spends his free time volunteering and advocating for youth throughout western PA and is inspired by today’s young leaders working to create a more peaceful world.

Michael Cadaret, PhD, Assistant Professor, Graduate Psychology, Chatham University

Dr. Cadaret is an assistant professor of graduate psychology at Chatham University. His research focuses, in part, on gender socialization and behavior. He is the author of numerous publications and presentations focused on sexual assault prevention, gender, and diversity. He is co-founder of IDEALS psychology research lab, which stands for Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Activism for Liberation and Social Change, and he serves on the Gender and Sexuality Violence Prevention Committee at Chatham University. Additionally, he is the faculty advisor for the Chatham Masculinities Project and is on the primary team for Green Dot bystander prevention program.