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COVID-19 and the health of the Haitian community in New York City

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Panelists

Dr. Florence Saint-Jean is the Executive Director of Global Trauma Research (GTR), and a faculty member at New York City (NYU) Steinhardt. Florence earned a Doctorate of Philosophy in Executive Counseling and Supervision. At Harvard University Medical School, Florence finished a post-doc in Global Mental Health: Trauma & Recovery. Under Florence's leadership, GTR has two main initiatives: The Counseling Hub and The Trauma Project. The Counseling Center serves underrepresented people in NYC and tackles major issues, such as domestic violence, sexual assault gender/sexuality, relationship issues, immigration, undiagnosed mental illness, and grief for Haitian-Creole-, French-, and Spanish-speaking residents.

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Dr. Christina Pardo, MD MPH is a 1st generation Haitian-American raised in New York. She graduated with honors with a B.S. in Biology from Howard University. Then she attended Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey. Christina Pardo also completed a Masters in Public Health in International health at Boston University. Passionate about Women's health she decided to pursue a career in Obstetrics & Gynecology. Her desire to work with and for underserved and immigrant populations led her to do her residency at SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn NY. Throughout her education and training she has traveled to Haiti to work with various health-based organizations. Following residency training she joined the faculty at Stony Brook University where she co-founded the Global Women's Health program.

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Karline Barthe BSN, RN is the Head nurse at NYC Health Hospital Coney Island Hospital for Stroke, Chemotherapy and Medicine unit. Karline's Nursing career spans 24 years. She holds degrees from Medgar Evers College and Farmingdale State University and currently obtaining MSN Organizational Leadership with advance certificate in Education at CUNY SPS. Also, Karline Barthe is a Co-Founder of NYCHCPA NYC HealthCare Professional Association, a Sigma Theta Tau Nurse Leader, CUNY SPS Ace Scholar Mentor at Nursing Career Mentor Research Foundation.

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Moderator

Jean Eddy Saint Paul, Ph.D. is a tenured professor of sociology and the founding director of the CUNY Haitian Studies Institute housed at Brooklyn College. Jean Eddy is an internationally renowned sociologist and scholar. He holds a B.A. in social work from the State University of Haiti, an M.A. in Latin American studies from Pontificia University in Bogotá, Colombia, and a Ph.D. in sociology from El Colegio de México. Most of Saint Paul's scholarly work oscillates geographically between Latin America and the Caribbean—with special focus on Haiti and Mexico. His most recent book is *Between Two Worlds: Jean Price-Mars, Haiti, and Africa* (Lexington Books, 2018).

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