



# The Women’s Health Needs Study: 2-Part Webinar Series

The U.S. End FGM/C Network and NORC at the University of Chicago invite you to join us for a two-part webinar series on the Women’s Health Needs Study (WHNS). Organizations that serve individuals with experience of FGM/C, policymakers, public health researchers, and all individuals with interest in women’s health are invited to attend.

NORC conducted WHNS in collaboration with multiple community partners and with funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Reproductive Health, Field Support Branch; HHS Office of Women’s Health; and the National Institute of Justice Office for Victims of Crime.

## Part 1: Findings from the Women’s Health Needs Study

Thursday, June 8, 2023 | 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM EDT

Join us on **Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>** to hear findings from the [Women’s Health Needs Study](#). WHNS is a one-time survey that collected information on the health care experiences and needs, as well as the experiences of female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C), among U.S. women from countries with a high prevalence of FGM/C.

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### About our Presenters:



Caitlin LeMay, LCSW  
Director, The U.S. End FGM/C Network

**Caitlin LeMay** has been working in the gender-based violence movement for over a decade. Her experience includes direct service counseling to survivors of trauma, though her true passion remains in gender-based violence prevention. Through this reputation, Caitlin has become an internationally recognized expert on gender-based prevention and systems change. As a Licensed Certified Social Worker (LCSW), she is uniquely able to ensure that the voices of those most impacted by violence are always centered in intervention and prevention services.



Petry Ubri, MSPH  
Senior Research Scientist,  
NORC at the University of Chicago

**Petry Ubri** served as implementation lead on WHNS, where she worked with community partners on the design and implementation of data collection activities. Petry has over a decade of experience leading and conducting qualitative and mixed methods research. Her work focuses on health equity, social drivers of health, and Medicaid policy. She has extensive experience using participatory and culturally responsive principles and practices to work with underrepresented communities in research and evaluation.

## Part 2: Community Partner Perspectives on the Women's Health Needs Study

Thursday, June 15, 2023 | 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM EDT

Join us on **Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** for the second part of the WHNS webinar series. In this session, WHNS community partners Amani Women Center and Sauti Yetu Center for African Women will discuss how they are sharing and using WHNS findings to inform their organizations' and communities' programs, services, and needs.

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Hager Shawkat, MPH  
Program Director of Community Wellness,  
Sauti Yetu Center for African Women

**Hager Shawkat** has been working in public health for over 12 years. Since beginning with Sauti Yetu in 2015, she established the Community Wellness department to provide tailored reproductive health education while also expanding the scope of the Department's work to include outreach and education for other health-based services to improve the health and well-being of community members. She currently oversees five projects, including Sauti Yetu's ongoing research, resource development, and service provision for female genital cutting (FGC) survivors. Hager previously worked in research, program coordination, and program evaluation at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, the New York Health Foundation, and Public Health Solutions.



Doris Mukangu, MPH  
President and Chief Executive Officer,  
Amani Women Center

**Doris Mukangu** founded Amani Women Center in 2007 with the vision to create a safe space for refugee and immigrant women to learn to be self-sufficient and achieve their maximum potential. Doris has over 12 years of management experience working with non-profit organizations on refugee affairs. She has a sterling background in initiating and implementing culturally appropriate methods of training, program planning, evaluation, conference planning, and has a strong commitment to promoting wellbeing, advocacy, and uplifting the most vulnerable populations.



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