

# Why Police Kill Black Males With Impunity

An unaddressed public health challenge is determining the root causes of excessive use of force by police applied to black males that may result in homicides deemed to be justified



Public Health Critical Race Praxis (PHCRP) provides understanding of police behavior and increase in justifiable homicide



PHCRP is a framework that uses health theories and methods from critical race and public health scholarship to best achieve social justice for marginalized groups.

## Sociohistorical origins of Policing Black Men

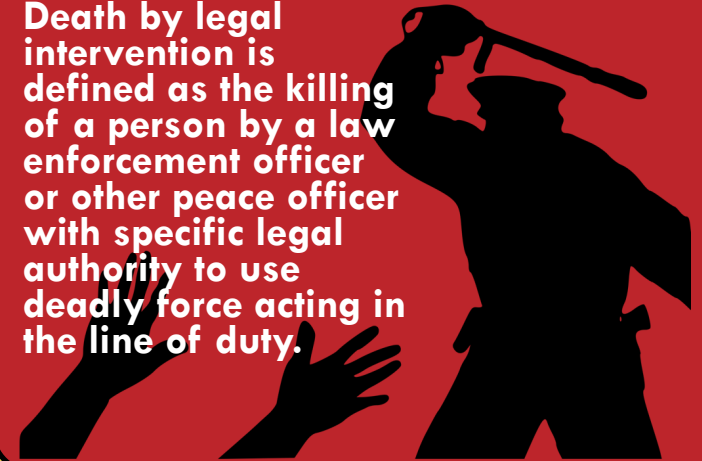
Prison Industrial Complex

Socially Sanctioned Lynching

Stop and Frisk

Zero Tolerance

Death by legal intervention is defined as the killing of a person by a law enforcement officer or other peace officer with specific legal authority to use deadly force acting in the line of duty.



## PHCRP Principles & Policing

The primacy of racialization principle illuminates how research criminalizes black males across all ages.

The social construct principle provides researchers a lens to consider how criminalizing black males poses a risk and limits healthy identity formations.

The race consciousness and interdisciplinary self critique principles requires better understanding of how biases, discrimination, and abuses of power lead to justifiable homicides.

## Policies for Health Equity

Data on Death by Legal Intervention

Repeal Stop and Frisk Laws

Require Body Cameras for Law Enforcement

Implement Community Review Boards

Provide Mental and Preventive Health Services