## 2/16/2021

## **Trauma Training Tuesday**

Pandemic Virtual Edition
Third Tuesday of the Month
12:00 P.M.-2:00 P.M.

## TRAUMA OF HOMELESSNESS

Stable housing has always been the foundation of safety, health and hope for the future. As the pandemic drags on, conditions worsen for people that are already struggling. People face losing their homes and seeking shelter anywhere they can, including outdoors. Taking on this stigmatized identity brings endless unseen challenges. The impacts on individuals, families and our community are painful and pervasive. Our presenters have an intersectional analysis, abundant empathy and extensive experience working to addressing barriers at every level.



**Etel Haxhiaj** is the Director of Public Education and Advocacy at the Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance, and a candidate for City Council. She came to the US from Albania with her parents to escape an oppressive political regime. She earned a BA in International Development and Social Change and an MA in Community Development and Planning at Clark University. She was an organizer for Mothers Out Front, Member of SURJ (Standing Up for Racial Justice), and the YWCA in Worcester, among others. She is passionate about justice and equity for all.

**Brian Bickford** is Eliot Community Human Services' Central Massachusetts PATH Team Leader, and a Licensed Mental Health Counselor. He has spent his career engaging this challenging population by meeting them where they are literally and emotionally. He is leading change and advocating for long term housing stability.

Using the link below you should be able to join from a desktop, laptop, tablet, or phone at noon January 19th. It will be recorded for later viewing as well. No need to rsvp to join, and please share!

**Topic: Trauma of Homelessness** 

Time: February 16, 2021 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://clarku.zoom.us/j/621730583



