

# Racial Literacy Consultation Group: Professional Development for Helping People

The Racial Literacy Consultation Group aims to strengthen the helping peoples' capacity to understand and respond to racial dynamics. Internalized racial oppression racialized sexual fantasies, racial identity concerns, colorism, privilege, and disempowerment impact interpersonal connections. Being able to honestly examine race-related issues enhances personal and professional self-confidence.

We stand on the shoulders of organizers grounded in the principles of the [Peoples Institute for Survival and Beyond](#), the [Anti-Racist Alliance](#), and [The Grassroots Reparations Campaign](#). We incorporate our learning experiences into the Racial Literacy Consultation Group. Participants will be invited to identify their personal and professional development goals for the duration of the group. Group leaders will provide brief didactic presentations that incorporate best practices and are based on participants' goals. Participants will be expected to bring in examples from their professional, personal, and community experiences, with particular attention to dilemmas in which societal stereotypes as well as familial re-enactments occur.

The Racial Literacy Consultation Group will meet six consecutive Fridays, **September 10 - October 15, 2021**

**Where:** on Zoom

**When:** *Eastern* Standard Time: **9:30am-11am**  
*Central* Standard Time: **8:30am-10am**  
*Pacific* Standard Time: **6:30am-8am**

**Fee:** \$570 (\$95/session) white-identified participants  
\$300 (\$50/session) black-identified and other people of color

Our differentiated fees reflect our commitment to address historical racial inequity for services. Scholarships are available.



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