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12:30-1:30 pm
Thursday, February 1st
Ritter Annex 992

Manhood and Black Men's Health 50
Years after "I AM a Man"

Dr. Derek M. Griffith is the Founder and Director of the Center for Research on Men’s Health at Vanderbilt University. At Vanderbilt, he also is Associate Professor of Medicine, Health and Society and he has secondary appointments in the departments of American Studies, Health Policy, Medicine and Sociology. The Center for Research on Men’s Health is one of the first university-wide centers in the US that focuses on men’s health. Launched in the September 2016, the center has the three-pronged mission of improving men’s health, reducing unjust differences in health among men, and improving the health of African American men and other men in the US and across the globe. Dr. Griffith has published extensively on men’s health and he specializes in African American men’s health. Dr. Griffith’s men’s health research has been funded by the American Cancer Society, the Aetna Foundation, and several institutes within the National Institutes of Health. Currently, Dr. Griffith is conducting two interventions: (1) a randomized-controlled trial of the first individually tailored weight loss intervention for African American men, which was funded by the American Cancer Society; and (2) the first psychologically and biologically tailored weight loss intervention for African American and Latino men as part of a NIMHD-funded U54 center on precision medicine and health disparities.

Students, staff, faculty, and community members welcome.
Reception with light refreshments to follow.