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Dietra D. Hawkins, Psy.D. is a licensed Clinical Psychologist who works nationally and internationally with state and local government organizations, public and private K-12 schools and behavioral health agencies as the owner and lead consultant with Equity by Design. She is a published author and frequent speaker for workshops addressing Appreciative approaches toward system change; Recovery Oriented Systems of Care, Asset Based Community Development and Inclusion, and the Healing of Racism. Dr. Hawkins holds a faculty appointment as an Assistant Clinical Professor at Yale University, Program for Recovery and Community Health, School of Medicine. Prior to her consultation practice, she served as the Director of Consultation and Training at the Yale Program for Recovery and Community Health (PRCH). Dr. Hawkins has extensive experience with family, child, adult and community behavioral health, and has worked closely with Parent and Consumer Advocacy organizations.



Dietra's primary research interests address racial and ethnic health care disparities; organizational systems change and transformation; HIV prevention/interventions; qualitative and community based participatory research, and the critical dimensions of cultural competency, recovery and community engagement.

Dietra is a mother, wife, a Black Catholic, and an ally for all people in recovery. She is a proud book and dance enthusiast from Memphis, TN. Her pronouns are she/her. Her work is rooted in the values of faith, integrity, humility, collaboration and inclusion. Dietra loves her work because, on a basic level, it is about bringing people together to facilitate healing.