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Kiara Moore, PhD, LCSW is a Faculty Fellow at New York University's Silver School of Social Work. She draws upon several years of clinical experience to study the multisystemic factors that lead to mental health disparities among marginalized young people. Dr. Moore centers her research on youth of color, those from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, and LGBTQ youth that are experiencing mental health conditions – populations at risk for poorer outcomes and with disproportionately lower rates of treatment engagement. Her most recent study focuses on identity development during emerging adulthood and aims to understand the complex processes by which young people's social identities shape their mental health service utilization. Dr. Moore's research seeks to impact major barriers to continued service use and overall health, such as access, stigma, and health decision-making through innovative service delivery and culturally-responsive interventions.