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### Science and Silence:

## The Future of Research and Treatment for Depression in Men

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Men's Depression: Why Study it?

#### Understudied

Stigmatized

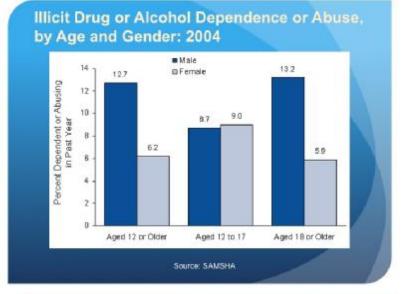
High Risk Behaviors, Public Health Concerns

Research Shows that Beliefs about manhood affect...

Experience of Depression

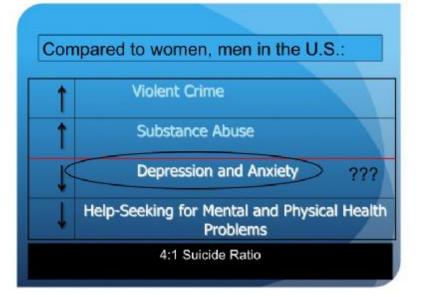


Willingness to seek and accept treatment Expression of Depression



## Most <u>victims</u> and <u>perpetrators</u> in homicides are male

Male offender / male victim	65.3%	
Male offender / female victim	22.7%	
female offender / male victim	9.6%	
female offender / female victim	2.4%	



# **Fundamental Question**

How can men, as a group,

be so visible, so audible, and in such positions of power in society,

and yet as individuals, often feel so disempowered, and experience inner vulnerability and pain that remain silent and invisible?





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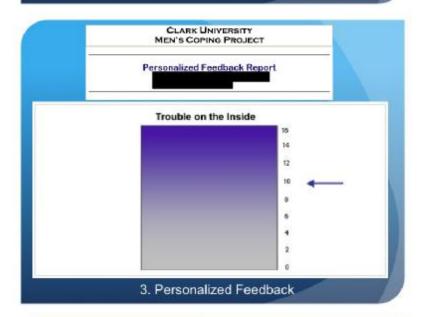
# Gender-Based Motivational Interviewing For Men





1. Informal Interview

2. Personalized Assessment



# Results

After one 2-hour session, three months later, men showed:

- > Decreased symptoms of depression and anxiety
- > Decreased shame about depression
- More positive attitudes toward seeking professional help.

# The Center for the Study of Men's Mental Health

#### Clark University

- > First in the world focused on men's mental health
- Research addressing the causes and treatment of depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and related disorders in men
- Developing, evaluating, and disseminating effective non-traditional interventions for men
- Countering stigma and other barriers to effective treatment through education and community outreach