Recipients of Social Work Research Fellowships for 2004-2005 are:

**Portia Adams, Ph.D.**
Dr. Adams’ research program is entitled *Sisters Together: Impact of Self-Esteem and Self-Efficacy on the Sexual Health Care of Black Adolescent Girls*. The study will involve 64 girls in New York City who will participate in an eight-week group training aimed at improving sexual health care intentions in a supportive environment.

Dr. Adams is Assistant Professor at Fordham University, Graduate School of Social Service. She earned the MSW (1986) from Columbia University School of Social Work and the Ph.D. (2003) from George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University. Her research interests include social work practice with African American communities, group work research with women of color and youth, service utilization by African Americans, and research measurement issues.

**Marianne R. Yoshioka, Ph.D. and Deborah Y. Choi, Ph.D.**
Dr. Yoshioka and Dr. Choi will conduct a one-year study entitled, *Peer Assistant Project*, to pilot test a theory-based intervention that addresses the barriers to legal and social service assistance among Asian American women encountering intimate partner violence. It will be tested with the assistance of the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence, a Boston-based agency that serves immigrants from Cambodia and China.

Dr. Marianne Yoshioka is Associate Professor of Professional Practice at Columbia University School of Social Work. She holds an M.S.W. (1986) from the University of Michigan and a Ph.D. (2000) from Florida State University. Her research interests and publications focus on intervention design and development, culturally appropriate practice, domestic violence, immigrant women, HIV prevention, and substance abuse.

Dr. Deborah Choi is Assistant Professor at Columbia University of Social Work. She has an M.S.W. (1989) from the University of California at Los Angeles and a Ph.D. (2003) from State University of New York at Albany. Her current research focuses on interpersonal violence among women, social support, multiculturalism, and mental health.

The Center also has awarded funds for two additional projects:

**Development of TraumaASK © Tools for Children, Therapists, and High School Teachers**
Principal Investigator: **Paula Panzer, M.D.** This project will examine a theoretical model and assessment tool, the Trauma ASK © (Attitudes, Skills and Knowledge) system of intervention, for evaluating educational programs on traumatic stress. Dr. Panzer is Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons and Deputy Chief Psychiatrist/Associate Director of the Center for Trauma Program Innovation at the Jewish Board of Family and Children’s Services (JBFCS), New York City.

**Development of an Intervention for Survivors of Parental Homicide**
Principal Investigator: **Marcia Stern, Ph.D.** This project will develop and examine an intervention for survivors of parental homicide. It assesses the needs of children whose parents have been murdered and will develop an evidence-based traumatic bereavement engagement and treatment intervention designed specifically for such children. Dr. Stern is Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Mount Sinai School of Medicine and Project Director of its Child and...
Adolescent Trauma Treatment & Services Consortium Grant, which is a joint program with JBFCS.