

## Dr. Pierluigi Mancini

With over 30 years of experience in culturally and linguistically appropriate behavioral health treatment and prevention, Dr. Mancini is one of the most sought after national and international consultants and speakers on the subject of mental health and addiction, his areas of expertise is immigrant behavioral health and health disparities. His book *¡Mental! In The Trump Era - Ten Inspirational Stories About Immigrants Overcoming Addiction, Depression and Anxiety in America* has recently been published to great reviews and it is available in English and in Spanish on Amazon.com.

Dr. Mancini founded Georgia's only Latino behavioral health program in 1999 to serve the immigrant population by providing cultural and linguistically appropriate mental health and addiction treatment and prevention services in English, Spanish and Portuguese. He is currently serving as the Project Director for the National Hispanic and Latino Addiction Technology Transfer Center and the National Hispanic and Latino Prevention Technology Transfer Center. Dr. Mancini recently led a project to train clinicians in Latin America who are taking care of the over 4 million displaced Venezuelans arriving in Colombia, Perú, Ecuador, Brazil, Panamá and other countries.

A frequent guest of local, national and international media Dr. Mancini has been featured in U.S. News and World Report, The Atlanta Journal and Constitution, WAGA-TV Channel 5 Atlanta, CNN en Español, Telemundo and Univision. Additionally, Dr. Mancini has been a favorite and frequent guest of Spanish language radio stations. As a national consultant, Dr. Mancini has provided expert content on immigrant behavioral health and cultural and linguistic competency to clients at the local, state and federal level. As an international consultant, Dr. Mancini has provided guidance, mentorship and internships to psychology students from the Universidad Anáhuac Mayab in Mérida, Mexico and has consulted in underage drinking prevention programs in Italy. Dr. Mancini is fluent in Spanish and conversational in Italian.

Dr. Mancini's public service announcement and documentaries addressing underage drinking, suicide and prescription drugs have won a combined six (6) EMMY® awards. Dr. Mancini has been honored with the National Latina/o Psychological Association Star Vega Distinguished Service Award; the National Council of La Raza - Helen Rodríguez-Trías Award for Health; and the Mental Health America "Heroes in the Fight" Award among others.

Dr. Mancini is the Chair of the Georgia Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council, and has recently been appointed to the Mental Health America National Board of Directors. He serves on the Board of Directors of Wellstar Hospital, the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse and the National Association of Mental Health Planning and Advisory Councils.