

LeRoy E. Reese, Ph.D.
Bio

Dr. LeRoy Reese is Director of Behavioral Health at Akoma Counseling & Consulting. Akoma is an outpatient pediatric behavioral health practice working primarily with children, adolescents and their families. Dr. Reese is a professor at Morehouse School of Medicine in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences where he trains and supervises Psychiatry Fellows in the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Program. He also directs the Smart and Secure Parent Leadership Program at the school of medicine.

Previously, Dr. Reese was a senior scientist and section chief at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Dr. Reese conducts community-based health research focused on the development of healthy lifestyles and the reduction of risk behaviors among youth and their families. He was a member of the Task Force of the American Psychological Association that produced the report Resilience and Strength in African American Children and Adolescents. Dr. Reese co-edited the prevention textbook, Realizing Social Justice: The Challenge of Preventive Interventions. During his tenure at the CDC, he served on the White House Council on Youth Violence and has been a consultant to several institutes at the National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Reese received his doctorate from The Ohio State University. He completed his internship and fellowship at the University of Illinois Medical School's Institute for Juvenile Research in the Department of Psychiatry. He is past Chair and Board member of Men Stopping Violence. Previously he was a Board member of the Dekalb County Mental Health Magistrate Court. Currently, he serves as a Trustee on the Board of Trustees for The College of Wooster.