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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. **Michael Lindsey, PhD**, Executive Director of the McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research at New York University

Dr. Lindsey was the lead author of a study that found that suicide attempts are rising among black teens in the U.S., even as they fall among youth from other groups. He said researchers are puzzled as to why traditional precursors to suicide attempts like thinking about or planning a suicide are decreasing while actual attempts are going up. He outlined the specific challenges faced by black youth that may be a factor in the trend. He believes mental health counselors must be much more available in schools.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:15

Suicide

Minority Concerns

Youth at Risk

2. **Geoffrey T. Sanzenbacher, PhD**, Associate Professor of the Practice of Economics at Boston College, Research Fellow at the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College

Dr. Sanzenbacher was the co-author of a shocking study that found that only about one-quarter of workers ages 50-62 are consistently in traditional jobs with benefits. He said that the longer older workers stay with a particular job without benefits, the more financial damage they do to their retirement preparedness. He also explained the reasons that older workers end up in these jobs.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:05

Employment

Retirement Planning

3. **Kathy Gatford, Ph.D.**, Senior Lecturer, Adelaide Medical School University, research group leader in the Robinson Research Institute in Australia

Prof. Gatford led a study that found that the more a baby weighs at birth, the higher the risk they will suffer from a childhood food allergy or eczema. Hay fever rates were the only allergy that was not connected to birth weight. She talked about the potential reasons and what expectant parents can learn from the study.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:59

Personal Health

Parenting

