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**MEDICAL MARIJUANA EDUCATION
AND RESEARCH INITIATIVE
FORUM RADIO**

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FAMU MMERI Forum Radio Features Conversations on Cannabis with Medical Doctors, a Patient with Parkinson's Disease and a Stress Therapist

Tallahassee, Fla. – This week's episode of Florida A&M University (FAMU) MMERI Forum Radio features two back-to-back half-hour episodes of conversations on anxiety, stress management and how cannabis works on the human body.

The episode also includes a conversation with Parkinson's patient Glen Penfield talking about his personal journey with medical marijuana.

The program's feature counselor, educator and psychotherapist Alishea Rowley, Ph.D., an assistant professor in the FAMU College of Education, certified cannabis physician Dr. Kantilal Bhalani, M.D., of Doctors Goodwill Foundation and Affordable Care Clinics and Dr. Bhavin Patel, M.D., of Affordable Care Clinics.

Co-hosting this week's show are Angela Hardiman, MMERI public affairs liaison, Patricia Green-Powell, Ph.D., MMERI interim executive director and Carol Angela Davis, J.D. MMERI communications liaison and FAMU associate director of Communications.

MMERI Forum Radio is a half-hour weekly radio program that airs on Friday and Sunday at 12:30 p.m. on FAMU's WANM Radio 90.5 FM in Tallahassee and Gadsden counties; Friday at 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. on WILD Radio 95.5 FM in West Palm Beach and the Treasure Coast, Sunday at 7 a.m. on WHBX Radio 96.1 in Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson and Wakulla counties, Sunday at Noon on WCGL Radio 94.7 FM, Saturday at 6:30 p.m. on WTMP 97.5 FM, 1150 AM in Tampa- St. Petersburg and 99.5 FM in Yulee/North Jacksonville, Saturday at 8:30 a.m. on WTMP 96.1 FM (Spanish and English) and Sunday at 2 p.m. on 100.7 FM and 1590 AM in Volusia County (Spanish and English).

The program is also available 24/7 on the iHeart podcasting platform at: <https://www.iheart.com/podcast/269-mmeri-forum-radio-51146091/>

MMERI Forum Radio is an expansion of its successful community forums designed to inform and educate the public about medical marijuana and the impact of the unlawful use of marijuana on Florida's diverse communities. The initial programming consists of an 8-episode series featuring conversations with pastors, law enforcement, legislators, pharmacists and medical doctors discussing medical marijuana and marijuana.

The MMERI was launched in response to the Florida Legislature’s funding allocation to educate “minorities about marijuana for medical use and the impact of the unlawful use of marijuana on minority communities.”

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