

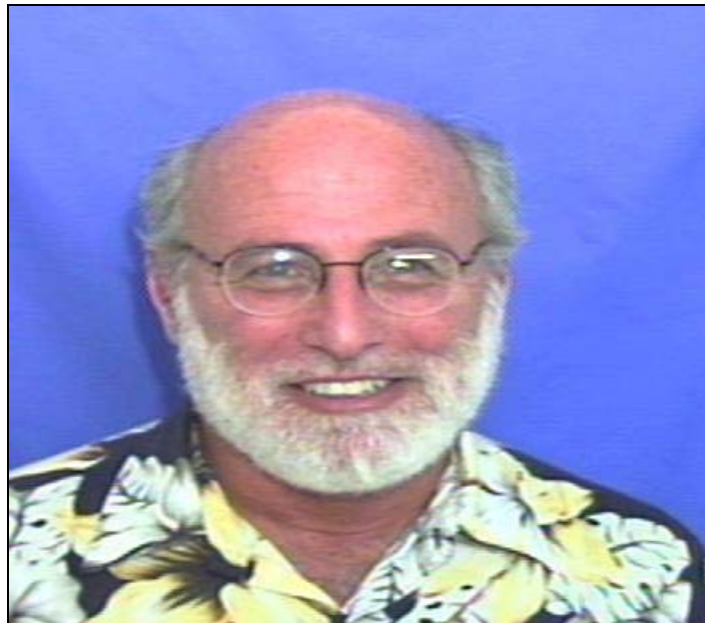
Fontana Contributes to *Journal of Men's Health*

Broward College's Dr. Leonard Fontana has authored an article on the subject of living with HIV/AIDS that will appear in the December issue of *Journal of Men's Health* magazine. A senior professor in the social/behavioral sciences department of the college, Fontana has overseen a research project for the last four years sponsored by the Broward Regional Health Planning Council. "The focus is on HIV/AIDS as a chronic illness and on the access to health care providers and adherence to treatment," he explained in a telephone interview.

Broward County is at the "epicenter" of the crisis, Fontana said, and has one of the highest rates of HIV/AIDS in the country. Fontana describes himself as a medical sociologist. He holds a Ph.D. from the State University of N.Y. and has spent half his teaching career at research universities.

He brings ideas from his research into the classroom at Broward College during discussions of, for example, "health as a social problem, and research about minorities."

With his research colleague Dr. Adela Beckerman of Florida Memorial University, he has presented workshops to community agencies in Broward County that provide services to people living with HIV/AIDS, addressing ways to improve care, Fontana said.



Dr. Leonard Fontana