

# Voices for Radical Mental Health: Join IDHA at Bluestockings on July 10th

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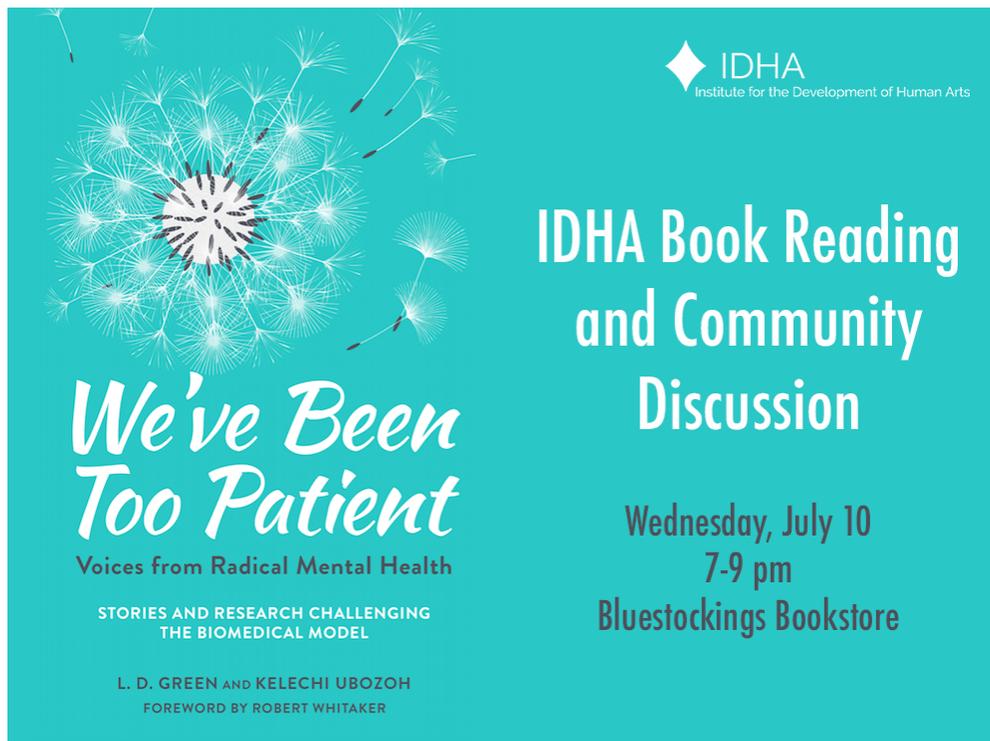


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- Mark your calendars for the premiere of *Koru* on July 19th

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# Join us at Bluestockings on July 10th for a book reading!



Next month, North Atlantic Books publishes a volume of stories and research challenging the biomedical model titled [\*We've Been Too Patient: Voices from Radical Mental Health\*](#). Co-edited by L.D. Green and Kelechi Ubozoh, the book has been lauded by early reviews as "a long-overdue and very reasonable plea for basic human dignity, compassion, support and sense of community." To celebrate the release of a critically important book, as well as contributions by several IDHA members, we are holding a community book reading on Wednesday, July 10th.

**NEW LOCATION AND TIME:**

[IDHA Book Reading + Community Discussion](#)

July 10th, 2019

Bluestockings Bookstore, Cafe, and Activist Center

172 Allen Street, New York City

7-9 pm

**ABOUT THE EVENT:**

Come listen to stories and research challenging the biomedical model and share in conversation with the wider IDHA community. We will be joined by one of the books editors, L.D. Green, and there will be readings by IDHA members and other NY area-based contributors. The reading will be followed by a brief reception with snacks and beverages. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

**RSVP today!**

# About *We've Been Too Patient*

In *We've Been Too Patient*, voices from the front lines of radical mental health reframe the stories we've been sold about mental 'illness.' In 25 unflinching essays and poems written by and for people with lived experience of the mental health system in America, this book reclaims the narrative to ensure that there is "nothing about us without us."

For more information please visit: <https://www.wevebeentoopatient.org/> and <https://www.facebook.com/wevebeentoopatient/>

Read an article by editor LD Green on Salon

*"Mutual aid is not a new thing—arguably it's one of the oldest ideas in human history—but our conscious use of it in the context of mental health holds a radically important promise: rather than just coping with and adjusting to society through the mental health system, we can actually heal ourselves and shift the culture."*

- L.D. Green

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## *Koru* film premiere



IDHA is proud to be a sponsor of the forthcoming documentary *Koru*, and to have several members featured in the film. We hope you'll join us for the premiere next month, featuring a panel of participants and Q&A. Snacks and light refreshments will be provided.

[Koru Film Premiere](#)

July 19th, 2019

Westbeth Community Room

155 Bank Street  
7-9:30 pm

*Koru* is a documentary-style short film interviewing activists, educators, and innovators who are working to create alternatives and radical changes in how we provide support for our mental health. Giving youth the voice and visuals for transformation, to inspire our communities to reimagine the world. By providing a platform through this film, we hope to awaken the next generation of peers, survivors, advocates and activists.

#### ABOUT IDHA

IDHA is an organization of current and prior mental health service users and survivors; psychiatrists, psychologists, and other clinicians; community activists; and artists who have come together to transform mental health care through advanced education and community development.

[Become a supporter](#) and make a tax-deductible donation today!

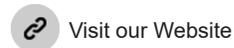
#### UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

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