## Abdín Noboa-Ríos, Ph.D.

Bio Vignette

With degrees from four universities, Abdín Noboa-Ríos, Ph.D., a native of Puerto Rico, ranks among the nation's *Who's Who in American Education (2007-2008)*, among other distinctions. As a researcher and social scientist, he has worked in the fields of public health, education, housing, and organizational development for decades. As a former community worker and now researcher from the barrios of Chicago and New York, he has long observed and confronted status quo. Over time, he has become alarmed by how flawed "reform" has been and how poorly conceived "policies" have become in promoting rather than ameliorating inequity. Concerned about America's future, as the status of minorities now impacts half the country, he strongly questions where the nation is headed. In response, he bravely calls for a new paradigm—a necessary renaissance—to escape current chaos and lead toward progress.