

Seminar 3

26 Aug 10

9.00am-2.00pm

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Prevention of Violence Against Immigrant and Refugee Women

What will participants learn by attending this Seminar?

The third seminar of 2010 will centre on the prevention of violence against immigrant and refugee women. Empowering immigrant and refugee women to protect themselves from violence will be covered. Multicultural Centre for Women's Health has recently completed research into the primary prevention of violence against immigrant and refugee women. The research findings will be publicly presented for the first time at the seminar. The seminar will also highlight the MOSAIC (MOthers' Advocates in the Community) Project which focuses on abused and at risk women. Available resources and prevention programs will also be covered.

Who will benefit from participating in this Seminar?

Health and allied professionals, welfare and community development workers, social workers, teachers, students and those with an interest in the health and wellbeing of immigrant and refugee women.

★ Guest Speakers

Carolyn Poljski is a Health Promotion and Research Project Officer at MCWH. During her three years at MCWH, Carolyn has been responsible for a range of projects covering financial literacy, diabetes prevention, sexual health, sexuality, and violence against women. In 2009, Carolyn conducted research into the primary prevention of violence against immigrant and refugee women. Carolyn's presentation will highlight the findings from this research, including the groups of women and the strategies that need to be considered in violence prevention programs.

Dr Angela Taft is Senior Research Fellow at Mother and Child Health Research (MCHR), La Trobe University, Australia and an Honorary Fellow in the Department of General Practice, University of Melbourne. Angela is a social scientist who has led a major competitively funded program of research at MCHR on intimate partner (IPV) gender-based violence and women's reproductive health in diverse communities. Angela's presentation will focus on the background, processes, experience and outcome of the MOSAIC (MOthers' Advocates in the Community) Project. Dr Taft will describe how non-professional mentor mothers respond to the needs of abused or at risk mothers experiencing partner violence. Angela will present MCHR qualitative and quantitative data to illustrate its particular value both to abused women and to the mentors themselves. She will also talk about the Vietnamese sub-study of the project and the particular value of mentors in the Vietnamese community.

★ Register!

To enrol in the MCWH 'Prevention of Violence Against Immigrant and Refugee Women' Seminar, please fill in the form below and mail or fax to MCWH. **Please note: registrations due by Friday 20 August 2010.**

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