

Seminar 2

27 May 10

9.00am-2.00pm

venue: multicultural centre for women's health  
suite 207, level 2, carringbush building,  
134 cambridge street, collingwood victoria 3066.

# Sexual and Reproductive Health for Young Immigrant and Refugee Women.

## What will participants learn by attending this Seminar?

Seminar two for 2010 will focus on sexual and reproductive health for young immigrant and refugee women. What are the sexual and reproductive issues affecting young immigrant and refugee women's health? Issues explored will include: maternity care and wellbeing; lack of choice in reproductive health decisions; early marriage; gestational diabetes; and infertility and pregnancy complications (miscarriage, stillbirth, premature birth). Participants will also learn where and how to access culturally and linguistically relevant resources.

## 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

Professor Rhonda Small is the Director of Mother and Child Health Research (MCHR) at La Trobe University. She has a longstanding interest in research investigating immigrant and refugee women's experiences of childbirth in Australia—both their experiences of care and their birth outcomes. Rhonda's presentation will address the topic of 'sexual and reproductive health for immigrant and refugee women' in the context of her years of research regarding immigrant and refugee women's experiences of childbirth.

Dr Mridula Bandyopadhyay is a researcher at Mother and Child Health Research at La Trobe University. She has worked on maternal and child health projects in rural India, particularly in the areas of sexual and reproductive health, family planning, and the determinants of health. She has worked on immigrant and refugee women's health research since migrating to Australia. Mridula's presentation will focus on exploring the lived experiences of South Asian immigrant women diagnosed with gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM).

Dr Touran Shafiei completed a Bachelor of Midwifery in Iran in 1994. She enrolled full-time in a Master of Applied Science (Research) at MCHR in February 2006 and upgraded to a PhD in September 2007. Touran successfully completed her PhD in October 2009. Her presentation will focus on the experiences of maternity care and wellbeing of Iranian and Afghani women in Australia.

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