

Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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1. Reminder: RSVP for the Sexual Violence Prevention Network meeting, May 11, 2007

The Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) is a quarterly gathering to support information sharing, networking and collaboration co-hosted by:

Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault

Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs

Minnesota Department of Health, Sexual Violence Prevention Program

The next SVPN meeting will be held on Friday, May 11, 2007 from 10:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., at the Division of Indian Work (DIW) www.gmcc.org/diw 1001 East Lake Street, Minneapolis, MN 55407, 612-733-8722.

Link to mapquest www.mapquest.com (<http://www.mapquest.com/>) for directions (free parking available in lot just west of DIW on 10th Ave. or in lot behind DIW on 11th Ave.)

Lunch will be provided.

R.S.V.P. Required (by Wednesday, May 9, 2007)...contact Amy Kenzie at amy.kenzie@state.mn.us or 651/201-5410

Special Topic:

"Trafficking of American Indian Women"

Presenters:

Suzanne Koepplinger

Executive Director, Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center

Christine Stark

Writer, Poet, Visual Artist and Activist

This presentation will give participants an overview of the issue of trafficking and how this problem is impacting American Indian communities nationwide.

Agenda:

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Registration, Networking/Resource Set-up

(Please feel free to bring resources to announce/share)

10:30 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. - Welcome, introductions, information and resource sharing

11:10 a.m. - 11:40 p.m. - Primary Prevention Overview

11:40 - 12:30 p.m. - Lunch and small group discussions

12:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m. - Presentation followed by prevention action activities

2:20 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Wrap up and Evaluations

Anyone interested in or working in the field of sexual violence prevention is WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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2. Rescue and Restore Coalition Against Human Trafficking - Minnesota Watch Meeting, June 1, 2007

Hold the date for the next Rescue and Restore Coalition Against Human Trafficking meeting: Friday, June 1, 2007, 2:30 - 5:00 p.m., at the International Institute, 1696 Como Ave, St Paul, MN 55108.

Invited speakers include:

Marisa Ferri from United States Department of Health and Human Services; Mee Moua, Senator, Minnesota Legislature; and

MaiNhia Khang, Constituent/Policy Liaison from Senator Coleman's Office.

For more information contact Civil Society, 651-291-0713, www.civilsocietyhelps.org

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3. MDH Costs of Sexual Violence in Minnesota report to be released in May

The MDH Costs of Sexual Violence in Minnesota report, previously scheduled for release in April,

will not be available for release until late May. Please watch SVPN E-News for the announcement and information on obtaining a copy of the report.

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4. New report: Maze of Injustice, The failure to protect Indigenous women from sexual violence in the USA

This report is based on research carried out during 2005 and 2006 by Amnesty International USA (AIUSA) in consultation with Native American and Alaska Native organizations and individuals. The research draws on Amnesty International's interviews with survivors of sexual violence and their families, activists, support workers, service providers and health workers.

For a copy of the report, link to Amnesty International:
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/Index/ENGAMR510352007>

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Sexual Victimization Experienced By Eighteen Percent Of Young Women

Sexual Victimization Experienced By Eighteen Percent Of Young Women, From Medical News Today

Sexual victimization can mean several things -- verbal coercion to have sex with an intimate partner, rape by a stranger, a woman fondled in a bar or forced intercourse when a woman is too intoxicated to consent or object.

Researchers at the University at Buffalo's Research Institute on Addictions report that 18 percent of young women recruited into a study experienced sexual victimization in a two-year period. Victimization was defined as unwanted sexual contact, verbally coerced sex, rape or attempted rape. Among this group, the majority (approximately 66 percent) stated that their victimization was perpetrated by an intimate partner. Read more... [http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?newsid=65141](http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?newsid=65141)

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6. *If they listen, hip-hop foes will find discussion began without them*

If they listen, hip-hop foes will find discussion began without them - by Jeff Chang and Dave Zirin, St. Paul Pioneer Press

Much of the criticism of commercial rap music - that it's homophobic and sexist and celebrates violence - is well-founded. But most of the carping we've heard against hip-hop in the wake of the Don Imus affair is more scapegoating than serious. Read

more... http://www.twincities.com/searchresults/ci_5767916?source=email&nclick_check=1

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7. 2007 Minnesota State Adolescent Sexual Health Report

This report contains the most recent data available on the sexual health of Minnesota adolescents. The report provides key sexual health indicators in a brief and easy to read format. Use this important information to develop and evaluate policies and programs that will promote the sexual health of adolescents in your communities. A copy of this report is available on the MN Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention and Parenting (MOAPPP) website: <http://www.moappp.org/Documents/2007AdoHealthReport.pdf>

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8. VAWnet April/May E-Newsletter

VAWnet's E-Newsletter provides monthly updates on excellent new resources available on-line. Link to The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women (VAWnet) www.vawnet.org and <http://www.vawnet.org/ENewsletters/AprilMay07-ENewsletter.php> for their latest news.

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9. Target Local Store Grants Program

Funding is provided to nonprofit programs that impact any of the following areas: arts, early childhood reading and family violence prevention. Applicant must be located in communities where Target does business and must be tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3). Average grant amount ranged from \$1,000-\$3,000.

Deadline: May 31, 2007

For more information link

to: <http://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?contentId=PRD03-004090>
(<http://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?contentId=PRD03-004090>)

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10. Calendar

*******May 11, 2007, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN), Division of Indian Work, St. Paul, MN. For more information contact Amy Kenzie amy.kenzie@state.mn.us .**

*May 24, 2007, Transgender Summit (2nd of 4 in series). Lutheran Social Services, Headquarters Office (LSS)
2485 Como Ave., St. Paul, MN 55108. Contact Alex Nelson: a.nelson@dist202.org 612-718-0134

*May 30, 2007, 4th National SART Training Conference, Tampa, Florida, May 30 - June 1, 2007.
Link to: <http://www.sane-sart.com/>

*May 30-June 1, 2007, Annual Conference on Crime Victims. Link to www.dps.state.mn.us/ojp/ojptraia
www.dps.state.mn.us/ojp/ojptraining or contact Maia Hendel-Paterson at 651-201-7318 or maia.hendel-paterson@state.mn.us

*June 1, 2007, Rescue and Restore Coalition Against Human Trafficking - Minnesota Watch Meeting. For more information, contact , Civil Society, 651-291-0713, www.civilsocietyhelps.org

*June 21, 2007, Transgender Summit (3rd of 4 in series). Lutheran Social Services, Headquarters Office (LSS)
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*July 26, 2007, Transgender Summit (4th of 4 in series). Lutheran Social Services, Headquarters Office (LSS)
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*******August 3, 2007, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings and/or link to:
<http://www.health.state.mn.us/injury/topic/svp/network/index.cfm>**

*August 12-17, 2007. Minnesota Victim Assistance Academy. Link to www.dps.state.mn.us/ojp/ojptraining or contact Maia Hendel-Paterson at 651-201-7318 or maia.hendel-paterson@state.mn.us

*September 12-14, 2007, National Sexual Assault Conference, Baltimore, Maryland. Link to: <http://www.nsvrc.org/nsac/index.html>

*September 16-19, 2007, 12th International Conference on Violence, Abuse and Trauma (formerly the International Conference on Family Violence), San Diego, CA. Link to: <http://www.ivatcenters.org/> for more information.

*******November 2, 2007, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings and/or link to:
<http://www.health.state.mn.us/injury/topic/svp/network/index.cfm>**

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