

Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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1. Reminder: *RSVP by 8-14* for the Sexual Violence Prevention Network Meeting on August 17, 2007

The next Sexual Violence Prevention Network meeting will be held on Friday, August 17, 2007 in Fergus Falls, MN.

Topic: "The Costs of Sexual Violence in Minnesota"

This presentation will include a walk through of the recently published MDH report, "The Costs of Sexual Violence in Minnesota," including highlights, how to talk about the numbers in the report, and the variety of ways to effectively use the information from this report. Presenters: Laura Hutton, Research Scientist, Injury and Violence Prevention Unit, MN Department of Health, and Donna Dunn, Executive Director, MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault.

Location: Ottertail Power Company, 215 S. Cascade Street, Fergus Falls, MN 56538, 218-736-6947 (link to Mapquest www.mapquest.com (<http://www.mapquest.com/>) for directions)

Lunch will be provided....

R.S.V.P. Required (by Tuesday, August 14, 2007)

Contact Amy Kenzie at amy.kenzie@state.mn.us or 651/201-5410

Please note: Requests for special accommodations must be made by Monday, August 6, 2007. (Please provide name, telephone number and type of accommodation needed to Amy Kenzie)

Agenda:

- 10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Registration, Networking/Resource Set-up
(Be sure 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!

2. Hold the date: Web Conference on the Links Between Primary Prevention of Violence Against Women and Ending Oppressions, September 19, 2007

Prevention Connection is working with Prevention Institute to put together a web conference on the links between primary prevention of violence against women and ending oppressions. This web conference will take place on Wednesday, September 19, 2007. Registration will open in Late August. Link to www.preventconnect.org for further information.

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3. Human Trafficking in Minnesota Conference, September 28, 2007

Civil Society, Korean Service Center, SEWA, Somali Educational and Social Advocacy Services, Vietnamese Minnesota Association, Vietnamese Social Services and Waite House are hosting the *Human Trafficking in Minnesota Conference* on Friday, September 28, 2007. Location: Neighborhood House, 179 Robie St E, St Paul, MN 55107-3390. No charge.

Agenda:

8:15 – Registration
9:00 – 5:00 Conference
5:00 – 7:30 Reception

Topics to be covered:

Human Trafficking – Why in Minnesota?
Human Trafficking –What We Have Discovered.
Human Trafficking Victimization – How It Looks in Minnesota.
How Advocates Can Help Trafficking Victims.
Immigration Legal Issues in Helping Trafficking Victims
Health Issues of Victims of Human Trafficking
Case Management for Trafficking Victims
Human Trafficking in American Indian Community
Domestic Human Trafficking
Legislation Efforts against Trafficking in MN
Congressional Efforts to Stop Trafficking
Media Watch
Law Enforcement Efforts to Stop Trafficking
Religion Community Efforts to Stop Trafficking and Help Victims
Human Trafficking 101
Hope for Human Trafficking Victims
Out State Human Trafficking Issues
Ethnic Groups Speak Out Against Trafficking

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

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4. 2nd Annual Weekend of Prayer & Fasting for Victims of Sexual Trafficking, September 28-30, 2007

Adults Saving Kids <http://www.adultssavingkids.org/> announces the Second Annual International Weekend of Prayer & Fasting for the Victims of Sexual Trafficking, September 28-30, 2007. Organized by the Salvation Army and the Initiative Against Sexual Trafficking to focus prayer and intercession on behalf of people who are sexually trafficked, enslaved and exploited in the commercial sex industry. For more information link to: <http://www.iast.net/>

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5. Study Reveals Unique Issues Faced by Deaf Victims of Sexual Assault

Sexual assault victims who are deaf face unique issues not encountered by the hearing, according to a recent study funded by the National Institute of Justice.[1] (<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/journals/257/deaf-victims.html#note1#note1>) Researcher Jennifer Obinna and colleagues at the Minneapolis Council on Crime and Justice interviewed 51 deaf citizens, 15 service providers (both deaf and hearing), and 10 police officers in their investigation of the impact of sexual assault on members of the deaf community.[2] (<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/journals/257/deaf-victims.html#note2#note2>) In their final report on the project, the researchers offered recommendations for improving the relationship between law enforcement and the deaf community. Read more: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/journals/257/deaf-victims.html>

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6. Community Tool Box

The Community Tool Box is an on-line resource providing over 7,000 pages of practical information to support work in promoting community health and development. This web site is created and maintained by the Work Group on Health Promotion and Community Development at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas (U.S.A). The core of the Tool Box is the "topic sections" that include practical guidance for the different tasks necessary to promote community health and development, including sections on leadership, strategic planning, community assessment, grant writing, and evaluation to name a few. Each section includes a description of the task, advantages of doing it, step-by-step guidelines, examples, checklists of points to review, and training materials. For more information link to: <http://ctb.ku.edu/index.jsp>

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7. SIECUS Sexual Education Library

The SIECUS SexEdLibrary is known to be the most comprehensive online sex ed resource in the nation. Human sexuality is like no other subject in our educational system today. Not only should the content be up to date and relevant, but the teaching tools can be as important as the information itself. SexEdLibrary is designed to give all of that--and more. <http://www.sexedlibrary.org/>

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8. Images of Human Trafficking - Sexual Exploitation

Trafficking in persons is modern-day slavery, involving victims who are forced, defrauded or coerced into labor or sexual exploitation. Annually, about 600,000 to 800,000 people -- mostly women and children -- are trafficked across national borders which does not count millions trafficked within their own countries. The U.S. Department of State has created a photo gallery of images of human trafficking, link to: <http://www.gtippphotos.state.gov/gtip.cfm?type=image&galleryID=542&id=1>

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9. Calendar

*******August 17, 2007, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) – Fergus Falls, MN. RSVP: amy.kenzie@state.mn.us**

*August 19, 2007, Choose Respect Minnesota Lynx game, Sunday, August 19, 5:00 p.m. For more info contact: Deb Foster at MCBW, 651-646-6177, dfoster@mcbw.org

*September 8, 2007, PCAMN Walk/Run for Children to End Child Abuse, St. Paul, MN. Link to: www.pcamn.org (<http://www.pcamn.org>) to register.

*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.

*September 19, 2007, Web Conference on the Links Between Primary Prevention of Violence Against Women and Ending Oppressions. Link to: www.preventconnect.org (<http://www.preventconnect.org/>) for further information.

*September 19-21, 8th National Conference on Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Prevention, New Orleans, LA. Link to: http://www.nationalcac.org/professionals/trainings/prevent_conference.html . Questions? Contact Emily Donaldson at edonaldson@nationalcac.org or at 256/327-3747.

*September 28, 2007, Human Trafficking in Minnesota Conference, Link to: www.civilsocietyhelps.org

*September 28-30, 2007, 2nd Annual Weekend of Prayer & Fasting for Victims of Sexual Trafficking, Link to: <http://www.iast.net/>

*October 10-11, 2007, 34th Annual Alcohol, Tobacco, Other Drug Abuse and Violence Prevention Program Sharing Conference. For more information link to: <http://www.emprc.org/ps2007/index.html>

*******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>**

*November 10, 2007, NAPSAC (formerly SAPN) annual conference. Link to www.napsac.us (<http://www.napsac.us/>)

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