



Comité d'action du premier ministre
sur la prévention de la violence familiale

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1) Purple Ribbon Pinning Bee - Wednesday, November 14th

An evening pinning bee to prepare ribbons and cards for the 2018-2019 Purple Ribbon Campaign is being hosted by the PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women, together with the working

group planning Family Violence Prevention Week 2019 for the Premier's Action Committee on Family Violence Prevention. The theme this year is: ***Time to Step Up. Be ready to prevent violence against women*** (see poster attached).

Annually, approximately 17,000 ribbons are cut and pinned to information cards by volunteers and distributed across the Island. The purple ribbons are worn to signify a commitment to remembering the 14 women murdered in Montreal in 1989, a horrific act of gender-based violence in Canadian history. We also wear purple ribbons to honour the memory of the Island women murdered by someone who knew them since 1989. And we wear ribbons to show our support for ending all violence against women in our communities.

The pinning bee will be held on November 14th, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at The Confederation Centre Public Library, 145 Richmond Street, Charlottetown. Join us for coffee, tea, snacks and conversation. Everyone welcome. Contact Michelle: 368-4510/ info@peistatusofwomen.ca

2) An Evening of Wine & Song for Anderson House, November 17

An Evening of Wine & Song for Anderson House is back! See poster attached. This highly anticipated, black dress event will feature music by the incredible Amanda Jackson Trio with an opening performance by Olivia Blacquiere. The evening also includes a catered reception, live auction, and door prizes. Tickets are \$66 (\$50 charitable tax receipt) representing the average cost of providing Anderson House services to one woman for one night. For tickets contact Lindsay 902-213-5183.

When: Saturday, November 17 | 6:30pm

Where: Harmony House Theatre

All proceeds support programming and services at Anderson House.

3) Volunteers Welcome at the Advisory Council!

The PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women is readying for its annual Purple Ribbon Campaign Against Violence Against Women and could use some volunteers to help print and collate teachers guides, which include PAC tip sheets, purple ribbons and other violence prevention resources for students and educators. Students requiring volunteer hours towards their coursework or to complete service commitments might find this opportunity particularly relevant. PAC support helps fund the teachers guide initiative.

Contact Michelle: 368-4510/ info@peistatusofwomen.ca

4) Domestic Homicide Brief: Domestic Violence Risk Assessment, Risk Management and Safety Planning with Indigenous Populations

Domestic Violence Risk Assessment, Risk Management and Safety Planning with Indigenous Populations is the fifth brief in the series developed by the Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative with Vulnerable Populations (CDHPV). This brief discusses the historical injustices of Canadian Indigenous peoples such as colonization, residential schools, and the 'sixties scoop' as well as the ongoing injustices and discrimination that Indigenous peoples

currently face that puts Indigenous women at greater risk of experiencing domestic violence or homicide. Current research and promising practices are highlighted for domestic violence risk assessment, risk management, and safety planning with Indigenous families.

To access the brief to go: <http://cdhpi.ca/domestic-violence-risk-assessment-risk-management-and-safety-planning-indigenous-populations>

5) Learning Network Brief: Women with Disabilities and Housing

This learning brief summarizes key findings from a March 2017 report entitled: Housing Issues for People with Disabilities in Canada presented to the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and presents information on the intersecting issues of poverty, violence and marginalized populations.

To access the brief go to: <http://www.vawlearningnetwork.ca/women-disabilities-housing>

REMINDER DETAILS

1) Webinar: Understanding immigrant women’s experiences and responses to intimate partner violence: Looking beyond the ‘cultural’ framing, October 30

Understanding immigrant women’s experiences and responses to intimate partner violence: Looking beyond the ‘cultural’ framing

Presented by: Vathsala Illesinghe, Violence Against Women Researcher, Community Physician in Sri Lanka, PhD Student, PE Trudeau Scholar

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 | 1:00-2:15 PM EST (2:00-3:15 PM AST)

To Register: <http://www.vawlearningnetwork.ca/webinar-series>

When immigrant women in Canada experience violence in their intimate relationships, they must also bear a cultural burden because it is framed as a form of violence experienced differently by racialized communities. A framing that hides the systemic inequalities and gender power imbalances re-created and reinforced by immigration policies. As a result, rendering invisible the ways in which government policies systematically place some population groups at risk, increase women’s vulnerability to abuse, and fail to provide services and supports to them. Understanding immigrant women’s experiences and responses to intimate partner violence post-migration must be embedded in the structures that constrain their role and participation in migration pathways and processes. This Webinar aims to make that link.

As an experienced violence against women researcher in Sri Lanka and a new immigrant woman in Canada, Vathsala brings a deep understanding of South Asian women’s vulnerability to violence in their home countries, the complexities surrounding their migration experiences, and the gaps in services and responses to addressing violence experienced by immigrant and refugee women in Canada.

2) Men Matter, PEI's male centered group program being offered for male survivors of sexual abuse

Men Matter is a male centered, free of charge group program for male survivors of sexual abuse in PEI (see flyer attached). **Men Matter** is managed and administered by the PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre, and the Catholic Family Services Bureau is the access point for men who wish to participate.

If you would like more information about the Men Matter program, you can call Sigrid Rolfe at the PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre, 902-566-1864, or Chris Doiron at the Catholic Family Service Bureau, 902-894-3515.

3) PEI Family Violence Prevention Services Building Brighter Futures Campaign

PEI Family Violence Prevention Services is delighted with the success thus far in the Building Brighter Futures endowment campaign. **We are currently close to *80%* of our \$1 Million dollar goal.** If you are interested in contributing to the campaign, or helping out in any of our fundraising, please contact Lindsay Merrill at lindsay@fvps.ca To see more about the campaign, as well as access our campaign brochure and promotional video, visit our website at <http://www.fvps.ca/brighterfutures>

THANK YOU!

**Premier's Action Committee on
Family Violence Prevention Vision Statement**

A society where all individuals are safe, respected and valued; where any form of violence is unacceptable; and where children, women, and men have opportunities to reach their full potential and contribute to the overall well-being of all families and communities.

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