



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

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1) *Sisters in Spirit Vigil 4 October*

The Aboriginal Women’s Association of PEI, as well as supporting partners have been proud to show their support and are committed to raising awareness of “Stolen Sisters” & “Stop the Violence” against women in PEI. Events include a memorial walk with all cultural groups, special words from leaders across PEI, “Story Telling of Unfinished Journeys” with Julie Pellissier Lush, Poet Lauriet, followed by a powerful experience, “The Creation of Unfinished Moccasins.”

4 October 2019 11:30 AM

Confederation Landing Park Charlottetown

To indicate attendance please contact Eileen Conway-Martin, econwaymartin@gmail.com
See attached flyer for more information.

2) *PEI Government Declares 6-12 October Verbal Abuse Prevention Week*

Minister Brad Trivers is pleased to declare October 6-12 as Verbal Abuse Prevention Week in Prince Edward Island. The week encourages students to think before they speak in order to avoid the harmful effects of verbal abuse.

This is a Canadian event that was founded by Tami Martell of PEI.

3) *UPDATE: Agenda Released: MMFF Conference: Ending Gender Based Violence: Harnessing Research and Action for Social Change, October 9-10, 2019*

Registration for the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research Conference on Ending Gender Based Violence: Harnessing Research and Action for Social Change is now open, and the event’s agenda has been released. Keynote speaker is Dr. Myrna Dawson of the Centre for the Study of Social and Legal Responses to Violence at the University of Guelph.

9-10 October 2019

Wu Conference Centre UNB

Registration cost: **\$150 + HST**

For more information see attached flyer and agenda.

4) Interministerial Women's Secretariat Grant: Deadline 21 October

The Interministerial Women's Secretariat works with community organizations to develop projects, programs and services that benefit women in Prince Edward Island. An annual fund of \$50,000 has been established to fund projects that focus on the prevention of violence against women in our province. The objective of the Violence Against Women Prevention Grant is to provide project funding to community organizations for innovative projects that will enhance awareness, education and action towards preventing violence against women in PEI.

For more information, please go to

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/finance/violence-against-women-prevention-grant>

5) Call for Volunteers: Purple Ribbon Campaign Against Violence Against Women

What does it mean to support survivors of sexual violence?

It means listening, believing, and affirming the person who speaks up about the harm they have experienced. It means involving ourselves as community, and expecting that as a community, we have an obligation to ensure that all genders are safe and able to live free from sexual assault. It means that in order to right the world, we must individually and collectively find ways to rectify the trauma suffered by survivors of violence. It means everyone must take responsibility to end sexual violence and right the world.

The Purple Ribbon Campaign Against Violence (Campagne du ruban violet contre la violence) was initiated by the PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women in 1991 to remember the 14 women who were murdered at L'École Polytechnique in Montreal on December 6, 1989, and to raise awareness about violence against women. The Memorial Service that will be held in Charlottetown on December 6th, 2019 marks the 30th anniversary of the Montreal Massacre. Together we mourn; together we act to change.

To volunteer with the Purple Ribbon Campaign Against Violence Against Women, please contact Michelle@peistatusofwomen.ca or 902-368-4510.

Support Survivors: Support the person ~ Involve the community ~ Right the world.

6) Men Matter to be offered in Charlottetown

Men Matter is a male centered group program being offered for male survivors of sexual abuse in PEI by the PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre (PEIRSAC). The PEIRSAC plans to offer a group in Charlottetown this winter. There is no charge to participants. All groups are led by two facilitators. See attached flyer for details.

If you would like more information about Men Matter please call Katelyn at (902) 626-3763.

7) Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative for Vulnerable Populations (CDHPiVP) launches next phase of study

The Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative for Vulnerable Populations (CDHPiVP) has launched a new phase of the study to learn from survivors and those left behind to enhance domestic homicide prevention. The vulnerable populations that are the focus of the study are: Indigenous women (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit); immigrant and refugee women; women living in rural, remote or northern areas; and children exposed to domestic violence.

Focusing specifically on these four groups, the research team will interview about 200 survivors of severe domestic violence as well as family and friends who lost someone to domestic homicide. Participants for the study must be 18 years of age or older, identify as a survivor of severe domestic violence or a family member, friend, or community professional who lost someone to domestic homicide from one of the four vulnerable groups between 2006 and 2016. The domestic violence or domestic homicide case must be closed, meaning that there are no pending court or coroner investigations. Participants must be safe and willing to have their interview audio-recorded. People can share their story with the CDHPiVP research team by phone, video conference, or in-person. If needed, translation services are available, and travel and/or childcare costs will be covered. Participants will receive a \$50 honorarium for sharing their story.

For more information, or to participate in this project, please contact:

CDHPiVP Project Manager Anna-Lee Straatman at astraat2@uwo.ca or call

The Centre for Research & Education on Violence against Women and Children at Western University at 519-661-2111 ext 81133, toll-free at 1-844-958-0522.

Press release: <http://cdhpi.ca/press-release-september-25-2019>

8) Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative for Vulnerable Population Releases INFOGRAPHICS on Domestic Homicides from 2010-2018

Infographic Series (English):

- [General: Trends and Patterns in Domestic Homicides in Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Children: Trends and Patterns in Domestic Homicides in Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Immigrant and Refugee Populations: Trends and Patterns in Domestic Homicides in Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Indigenous Populations: Trends and Patterns in Domestic Homicides in Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Rural, Remote and Northern Populations: Trends and Patterns in Domestic Homicides in Canada 2010-2018](#)

Infographic Series (French):

- [General : Tendances et Caractéristiques des Homicides Familiaux au Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Enfants : Tendances et Caractéristiques des Homicides Familiaux au Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Immigrant\(e\)s et réfugié\(e\)s : Tendances et Caractéristiques des Homicides Familiaux au Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Autochtones : Tendances et Caractéristiques des Homicides Familiaux au Canada 2010-2018](#)
- [Collectivités rurales, éloignées et du Nord : Tendances et Caractéristiques des Homicides Familiaux au Canada 2010-2018](#)

REMINDER DETAILS

1) **Gender-Based Violence Work in Context: Addressing Structural Violence and Promoting Agency 8 October**

The Learning Network invites you to join on October 8 2019 for a Forum addressing both personal and structural aspects of gender-based violence work in a range of contexts. Invited speakers will address issues such as working to protect children, covering gendered news stories, developing and using online platforms, and administering justice.

8 October 2019 8:30am- 4:30pm

Lamplighter Inn, London, Ontario

Cost is \$100

More information can be found at <https://bit.ly/2ZBfv8m>

2) **Indigenous Justice Forum 18 October**

The MCPEI Indigenous Justice Program is pleased to be hosting their Annual Indigenous Justice Forum on Friday, October 18, 2019 at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel. The theme of the forum is “No Sides in a Round World”. The Honourable Laurel J. Halfpenny MacQuarrie will be this year’s keynote speaker.

18 October 8:30am-3:00pm

Rodd Charlottetown Hotel

Registration is free.

For more information see attached poster.

To register contact Novalea MacKinnon at 902-626-2882 or email nmackinnon@mcpei.ca.

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.

www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca