



The Canadian Observatory on the Justice System's Response to Intimate Partner Violence

is pleased to announce its Spring 2008
Illuminate online computer speaker series

Join us for 75 minutes at your computer as presenters explore interesting aspects of the justice system's response to intimate partner violence. Guest speakers offer a 45 minute presentation followed by 30 minutes of questions and discussion with all participants. The time is scheduled from 1 pm Atlantic Time. **Participation is free!**

Discussion Series

March 28, 2008

Role of the Canadian observatory in an international collaborative study of the justice system's response to intimate partner violence

This introductory event is an opportunity to talk about the role of the Canadian observatory in an international collaborative study and why we need such a program of research on the justice system's response to intimate partner violence.

Presenter: Carmen Gill, PhD
Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research

April 25, 2008

The "making of meaning" of policy

In order to come to an understanding about how the intent of a policy has succeeded or failed in practice, a deconstruction of the policy needs to take place. The purpose of this is to inform policymakers and citizens about the policy's meaning, either for future policy reform, future policy development, or for simple accountability.

Presenter: Margaret Jackson, PhD
FREDA Centre

June 6, 2008

Intersectional thinking: The theory of intersectionality and intimate partner violence research

In recent years, a growing number of feminist researchers have embraced intersectional frameworks as a means of understanding, resisting, and challenging intimate partner violence. The purpose of this presentation is to engage in dialogue regarding the relevance of an intersectional perspective for the work of the Canadian Observatory.

Presenter: Helene Berman, PhD
Centre for Research and Education on Violence Against Women and Children

How do you sign up? Email Elizabeth at blaney@unb.ca identifying the sessions you would like to attend and your email address.

What do I need to participate?

- A computer with internet (high speed or dial up);
- An email address;
- A computer headset with microphone.

Will I understand how to access Illuminate and log-on?

- Once you sign up, you will receive an email with important access information and a website address on the date and time specified for the event.
- If you are a first time Illuminate user, you will find it very easy. However, if you would like an orientation, please sign in approximately 30 minutes before the event is scheduled.

What if I am having technical problems the day of the event?

- If you are having problems with your connection the day of the event Illuminate provides a toll free number in North America: **866-388-8674**

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