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Scottish Women's Aid

Learning & Development Calendar

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TERMS & CONDITIONS Scottish Women's Aid (SWA) is committed to delivering a high quality training product, which includes clarity around the information sent to potential delegates. Course bookings can be made by post, telephone or e-mail. Confirmation of the booking will be sent by e-mail. Confirmation that the course will proceed will be sent by e-mail one week in advance of the course date. If you do not attend a course, and you have not previously informed us, the full course fee remains payable. For full terms and conditions please see our website.

About Scottish Women's Aid Training Services

Scottish Women's Aid (SWA) is the umbrella organisation for a network of Women's Aid groups with over 30 years experience of working with, supporting and listening to women, children and young people experiencing domestic abuse. The training provided by SWA draws on this experience whilst recognising the potential constraints affecting different agencies.

The training, development days and seminars provided by SWA are based on understanding domestic abuse as a gendered issue: that domestic abuse sits within the continuum of violence against women and is based within a historical context of gendered roles and expectations. As such, it coincides with the Scottish Government's 'National Strategy to Address Domestic Abuse'. All training is underpinned by the definition of domestic abuse contained within the National Strategy, namely:

"Domestic abuse (as gender based abuse) can be perpetrated by partners or ex-partners and can include physical abuse (assault and physical attack involving a range of behaviour), sexual abuse (acts which degrade and humiliate women and are perpetrated against their will, including rape) and mental and emotional abuse (such as threats, verbal abuse, racial abuse, withholding money and other types of controlling behaviour such as isolation from family and friends)."

SWA is committed to providing learning opportunities which are of a consistently high standard and quality, and which are designed to be participative with an emphasis on both understanding theory and practical skills development. The aim of training days is to promote good practice in order to improve service delivery to women, children and young people experiencing domestic abuse and other forms of violence against women. The aim of seminars is to take a theory-based approach to develop a deeper understanding of issues related to violence against women and gender based abuse, sharing information and current thinking in the field.

SWA's training and development days can be provided on a commissioned basis and tailored to suit organisational needs. For further information please contact Nel Whiting on 0131 2400 308 or nel.whiting@scottishwomensaid.org.uk

About Scottish Women's Aid's 35th Anniversary Events

This year is the 35th anniversary of Scottish Women's Aid and to mark this milestone we are organising a variety of events in Edinburgh and Glasgow. The anniversary events will place the work of Scottish Women's Aid in its historic, social and cultural context, highlighting connections with other campaigns and other struggles for social justice. The events will look back over the history of Scottish Women's Aid, celebrating its achievements as well as looking to the challenges that lie ahead.

Key highlights in the anniversary calendar include:

- three seminars (please see this booklet for further information) with influential researchers and activists addressing major developments in our understanding of the issue of gender based violence over the past 35 years
- Mini film festival at the Filmhouse, Edinburgh (22nd & 23rd October 2011). A selection of challenging, inspiring, thought provoking and funny feature films and documentaries. Linked to these will be an interactive workshop for children and young people
- A ceilidh (date tbc)
- An exhibition of photographs and memorabilia held at Glasgow Women's Library (November 26th – December 10th).

For further information about the anniversary please contact Emma Sutherland on 0131 226 6606 or emma.sutherland@scottishwomensaid.org.uk

Prevention Delivery Workshop

Free Training

In April 2008 South Ayrshire Women's Aid was successful in a bid to the Violence Against Women team in the Scottish Government to establish a project called Promoting Protection & Prevention & National Capacity Building. The funding enables South Ayrshire Women's Aid to offer prevention delivery workshops free of charge across Scotland.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for men and women, who are interested in delivering prevention education with children and young people, to develop a practical knowledge of prevention planning and delivery. Each workshop will be facilitated by Sandra Paton who has over 17 years experience working with Women's Aid, including more than 10 years experience as a Domestic Abuse trainer and seven years experience developing and delivering prevention education in schools.

Places are limited to 12, however, ALL interested parties are warmly invited to complete and return an application. To help build capacity it is envisaged that selection will be made by considering experience and potential commitment to rolling out this work.

Selection will be made on the basis of the following criteria by the facilitator. Applicants must:

- Have attended Domestic Abuse or VAW awareness training in the last five years
- Have experience of OR the desire to deliver prevention education
- Have embraced the National Strategy's definition of Domestic Abuse.

Facilitator Sandra Paton (South Ayrshire Women's Aid)
Dates Monday 3rd October 2011
Time 9.15am – 4.30pm
Venue Grosvenor Hilton, Grosvenor Street, Edinburgh, EH12 5EF

Cost Free

For an application pack e-mail emma.sutherland@scottishwomensaid.org.uk

Understanding the Dynamics of Domestic Abuse

Training

This one day training session is aimed at front-line staff who work directly with women, children and young people and who feel that an understanding of the dynamics of domestic abuse will help them in their work. Participants need no prior learning or experience of domestic abuse related issues.

By the end of the session delegates will be able to:

- Define domestic abuse as sexual, physical mental/emotional abuse (as termed by the Scottish Government)
- Appreciate the impact of domestic abuse on those who experience it and how it affects their behaviour and choices
- Understand the main issues of providing a sensitive and appropriate service to women, children and young people experiencing domestic abuse.

Facilitator Nel Whiting (SWA)
Dates **Wednesday 5th October 2011**
Monday 5th December 2011
Wednesday 15th February 2012
Time 10am – 4pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£95 per statutory sector delegate
£75 per voluntary sector delegate
Price is inclusive of buffet lunch

The facilitator Nel is a Learning & Development Worker with Scottish Women's Aid, where she has worked since September 2003. Her role takes her throughout Scotland providing learning opportunities to a range of professionals in the voluntary and statutory sector. She also teaches on the Queen Margaret University 'Gender Justice' module. Her previous employment includes work in Racial Equality Councils in Scotland and her native Wales. She is author of "What Can Contemporary Gender Theory Contribute to An Understanding of Abuse in Same Sex Relationships?" which was published in the Scottish Journal of Criminal Justice Studies 2008 and "Effecting Operational Change Through Training: Challenges and Approaches" in N.Lombard and L. McMillan (eds.) (forthcoming, 2011) Research Highlights in Social Work: Violence Against Women, Jessica Kingsley Publications.

35 Years of Understanding Domestic Abuse in Scotland

35th Anniversary Seminar

This seminar will review our developing understanding of the nature and impact of domestic abuse from the early years of theorising to the present. It will consider how we understand the issue shapes the policy and practice response to it.

The seminar will begin with a revisit of Violence against wives: a case against the patriarchy (Dobash & Dobash, 1979), a landmark study of domestic abuse in Scotland that still resonates today. It provided activists, support workers and survivors with a nuanced understanding and a language to explain a complex and hidden issue.

The seminar will then move to reflect on the practical application of Evan Stark's framing of domestic abuse as coercive control, drawing on the research behind the article Living in the World of the Domestic Violence Perpetrator: Negotiating the Unreality of Coercive Control, (Williamson, 2010). It will conclude with an interactive panel discussion which will reflect the variety work on the domestic abuse agenda being undertaken in Scotland.

Keynote speakers tbc and Dr Emma Williamson (University of Bristol)
Panel members Rory McRae (Domestic Violence Probation Project), Marianne Osborne (Renfrewshire Women's Aid) and Amy Roch (LGBT Domestic Abuse Project)
Date Wednesday 19th October 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue The Storytelling Centre, 43-45 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1SR

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The keynote speakers TBC & Emma Williamson re-joined the School for Policy Studies in November 2006 as a Research Fellow in Gender-Based Violence. Emma has 15 years research experience working in the area of gender-based violence which has included research on health, law, social policy, and service interventions. Emma also has a keen interest in research ethics and has published widely on this topic. She is the current Chair of the School for Policy Studies Ethics Committee.

Policing & Domestic Abuse: What Support Workers Need to Know

Seminar

The police play a pivotal role in tackling domestic abuse in Scotland, investigating crimes, liaising with the prosecutors, working in partnership with a wide range of other organisations and leading high profile campaigns. That said, the real role played in investigating and reporting crime is often misunderstood by both victims of crime and their support workers.

This seminar will outline the work undertaken by the police in relation to domestic abuse, dispelling myths generated by The Bill, highlighting what those experiencing domestic abuse should be able to expect from the police and showcasing innovative work being undertaken by Strathclyde Police on this issue.

Speaker Deborah Barton (Strathclyde Police)
Date Thursday 20th October 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speaker Deborah Barton joined Strathclyde Police in 1991. Upon appointment she was stationed at Pollok Police Office in south Glasgow where she gained experience working in a busy city division. Throughout her service she has performed both uniform and plain cloth duties in departments which include Community Policing, Female and Child Unit and Community Safety Department. Deborah returned to Public Protection Unit in December 2003 with specific responsibility for domestic abuse. She was a participant in the implementation process for the specialist domestic abuse court and remains an integral member of the multi-agency network which carries the responsibility for its continued success. In November 2008 Deborah transferred to the Domestic Abuse Coordination Unit at Force Headquarters and took up the post of Detective Sergeant and Strathclyde Police Force Lead on Domestic Abuse.

Working with Children Experiencing Domestic Abuse

Training

This session is aimed at workers who have regular contact with children and young people and who are seeking an understanding of how living with domestic abuse can impact on their lives. Participants need no prior learning of domestic abuse related issues.

By the end of the session delegates will have:

- Developed an understanding of how children and young people can experience domestic abuse
- An awareness of the effects of domestic abuse on children and young people
- Gained insight into the coping strategies children and young people may develop
- Explored the links between domestic abuse and child abuse.

Facilitator Sandra Paton (freelance trainer)
Date Friday 28th October 2011
Time 10am – 4pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£95 per statutory sector delegate
£75 per voluntary sector delegate
Price is inclusive of buffet lunch

The facilitator Sandra has worked with South Ayrshire Women's Aid for 14 yrs. She has more than a decade of experience supporting children & young people in refuge and for the last four years has been employed by her group as Training & Development Worker. Sandra was a member of the Working Group that produced the National Training Strategy and was also commissioned by SWA to write the exercises for the Listen Louder Training Pack. Sandra's post is currently funded by the South Ayrshire Better Integrated Children's Services Fund and she is currently involved in delivering multi agency training and preventative work in schools. Data gathered during preventative work sessions was used to inform the first phase of recently published research titled Raising the Issue. Sandra has also prepared and delivered training seminars for other local authorities and universities.

Using Logic Modelling to Design Delivery of Domestic Abuse Outcomes

Seminar

We all use the same phrases to describe our understanding of VAW: "cause and consequence of women's inequality", "gender-based violence" etc. But how well do our understandings of the dynamics of VAW match what we do about domestic abuse? In these times of budget cuts and outcomes reporting, knowing that we are using our resources wisely is increasingly important, and logic modelling can help.

This session explores the use of logic models to "gender" our domestic abuse service systems and link with immediate activity with long-term outcomes. Participants will explore what a logic model is, understand how a logic model can be used to develop a systems approach to addressing domestic abuse and prepare a plan for applying logic modelling in a local or regional setting.

Speaker Marsha Scott (freelance trainer)
Date Thursday 3rd November 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speaker Marsha Scott is a feminist activist and practitioner. She is Co-convener of Engender, Scotland's feminist research and information organisation, and serves as an associate researcher for the Centre for Research on Families and Relationships. She is Principal Officer for Health, Policy and Planning at West Lothian Council and a member of the Cross-Party Group on Men's Violence Against Women and Children. As the Scottish representative to the UK Joint Committee on Women she sits on the Women's National Commission's Violence Against Women subgroup and is also the UK Expert delegate to the European Observatory on Violence Against Women.

She is a co-author of "So for 39 years I just got on with it"--Older Women and Domestic Violence in Scotland and recently finished a PhD at the University of Edinburgh on Scottish domestic violence policy.

The Myth of Disinhibition: a discussion of what we (don't) know about substance misuse & domestic abuse

Seminar

Mark Twain's comment that "It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble. It's what you know for sure that just ain't so" is a useful place to start when thinking about substance misuse and domestic abuse. Much has been said in Scotland, by public officials and others, about the links between substance misuse and violence. Phrases such as "alcohol-fuelled violence" and "drug-related violence" abound in the policy and practice worlds. What do we know about the relationship (if any) between substance use and violence? How do we interpret the litany of data that links domestic abuse and alcohol misuse?

The session will offer a sample of conclusions from the literature and support what will undoubtedly be a lively discussion about the problems and promise of addressing the co-occurrence of domestic abuse and substance misuse. We will conclude with an examination of the implications of myth-based policy and practice and identify some relevant responses in our spheres of activity.

Speaker Marsha Scott (freelance trainer)
Date Wednesday 9th November 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speaker Marsha Scott is a feminist activist and practitioner. She is Co-convener of Engender, Scotland's feminist research and information organisation, and serves as an associate researcher for the Centre for Research on Families and Relationships. She is Principal Officer for Health, Policy and Planning at West Lothian Council and a member of the Cross-Party Group on Men's Violence Against Women and Children. As the Scottish representative to the UK Joint Committee on Women she sits on the Women's National Commission's Violence Against Women subgroup and is also the UK Expert delegate to the European Observatory on Violence Against Women.

She is a co-author of "So for 39 years I just got on with it" – Older Women and Domestic Violence in Scotland and recently finished a PhD at the University of Edinburgh on Scottish domestic violence policy.

Risk Identification & Domestic Abuse

Training

This full-day course upskills practitioners to identify risk factors when working with clients experiencing domestic abuse, and to apply these skills to practice. Participants will explore the theory of risk identification, and will be introduced to the SPECSSS+ model of risk assessment. This model is widely used throughout English police forces, and is in the process of implementation in many forces in Scotland.

The afternoon of the course offers the opportunity to put learning into practice, using the model to risk identify a past case. The dynamic nature of effective risk assessment is considered, highlighting the challenges of safety planning. Materials are provided to participants to introduce risk assessment and safety planning pro forma to their workplace following training.

Facilitator Sarah Watts (Tayside VAW Training Consortium)
Date Thursday 10th November 2011
Time 10am – 4pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£95 per statutory sector delegate
£75 per voluntary sector delegate
Price is inclusive of buffet lunch

The facilitator Sarah has worked for the Taysdie VAW training consortium since 2009 and has a professional background in training and working as a person-centred counsellor. She has worked for ChildLine in Leeds, in a project for people with substance misuse problems in Stirling, and another for people with mental health difficulties in Glasgow. She has also managed a substance misuse service for the Scottish Association for Mental Health within NHS Tayside Substance Misuse Services. Sarah is also very committed to training the LivingWorks ASIST programme for suicide prevention.

Domestic Abuse: A Children's Rights Approach

Seminar

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) is well known as the international human rights treaty setting out the rights of the child. The purpose of the convention is to recognise special factors involved in development, nurture and protection of children, that differentiates them from adults.

Children's Rights provide a useful framework for looking at the needs of children affected by domestic abuse. This seminar will explore domestic abuse through the lens of children's rights. It will look at:

- what we know about the impact of domestic abuse on the children and young people and the implications for the potential for full enjoyment of rights
- why taking a rights based approach to responding to domestic abuse could improve outcomes for children and young people.

Speaker Kirstie Farmer (Scottish Women's Aid)
Date Wednesday 16th November 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speaker Kirstie has worked for Scottish Women's Aid since March 2009. With nine years of experience in the youth work sector, Kirstie has extensive experience of directly supporting young people to participate, both in service development, and within their communities, as well as supporting peer-led research and youth-led projects. For the past three and a half years, Kirstie has worked with a range of agencies, at both strategic and service delivery levels, to promote and support the development of participative practice.

The Continuum of Violence Against Women

35th Anniversary Seminar

This seminar will begin by revisiting and explaining the concept of a continuum of violence against women which was posited as an explanatory theory by Liz Kelly in her 1988 book Surviving Sexual Violence. The seminar will then move on to explore its practical application in the lives of black and minority ethnic women, whose experiences may include domestic abuse exacerbated by abuse from other family members, forced marriage, so-called 'honour' crimes and FGM.

The panel discussion will reflect the broader agenda we are now working on in Scotland, highlighting connections between form of violence against women and possible tensions within the agenda.

Keynote Speakers Professor Liz Kelly (London Metropolitan University) and Pragna Patel (Southall Black Sisters)
Panel Members Girijamba Polubothu (Shakti Women's Aid), Linda Thompson (Women's Support Project), Speaker TBC (Rape Crisis Scotland)
Date Tuesday 22nd November 2011
Time10am – 1pm
Venue The Storytelling Centre, 43-45 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1SR

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The keynote speakers Liz Kelly is Professor of Sexualised Violence at London Metropolitan University, where she is also Director of the Child and Woman Abuse Studies Unit (CWASU). She has been active in the field of violence against women and children for almost 30 years. She is the author of Surviving Sexual Violence (1988), which established the concept of a 'continuum of violence' and over 70 book chapters and journal articles. In January 2005 she was appointed to the Board of Commissioners of the Women's National Commission.

Pragna Patel is a founding member of Southall Black Sisters, a landmark organisation in the history of black and Asian feminism Southall Black Sisters, founded in 1979, in the aftermath of the race riots in this area of west London, has since become a landmark in the history of black and Asian feminism. The charity campaigns for and offers practical support to women escaping domestic violence and forced marriages.

Domestic Abuse: What Women Tell Us

Free Seminar to Mark the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence

Organised as part of SWA's 35th anniversary celebrations, this seminar will consider what listening to women's voices about their experiences of domestic abuse and marital breakdown adds to our understanding of the issue. Listening to survivors fears, needs and wishes has been central to the work of feminist academics but also to service provision such as that of Women's Aid and the Domestic violence Probation Project. Drawing on oral history testimonies, this seminar will give voice to women's experiences and lead reflection on effective service intervention.

Speaker Andrea Thomson
Date Thursday 1st December 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA offices, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh

Cost Free

The speaker Andrea Thomson is undertaking a PHD at the University of Glasgow where she is investigating women's understanding of domestic abuse and marital breakdown in the late twentieth century.

Exclusion Orders: How Useful Are They?

Seminar

Scottish Women's Aid commissioned research to consider whether exclusion orders have been effective in preventing homelessness of women, children and young people with experience of domestic abuse. Exclusion orders were introduced by the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981, (MHA) and although they were are one of the tools available, which could prevent homelessness for women and their children, little was known about how many women use them, in what circumstances and whether they are, in fact, effective in practice at keeping women safe in their home.

The seminar will provide an overview of the research process and the findings, focusing on what worked and how improvements in practice and legal reform, could produce a simpler, quicker and cheaper remedy to enable women to stay safely in their home.

Speakers Anne Dickson (Avizandum Consultants) & Lydia Okroj (Scottish Women's Aid)
Date Wednesday 7th December 2011
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speakers Anne Dickson is a social research consultant who established Avizandum Consultants in 2006. She began her career as a lawyer in Glasgow and was a partner in Naftalin Duncan & Co where she specialised in family and housing law; often representing women in exclusion order and interdict cases. During her career as a lawyer, she campaigned for greater awareness of legal remedies and increased access to the law. After a move to England and a career change, she worked on social research consulting with a focus on violence against women, housing, homelessness and advice provision. She has led and managed projects and teams delivering evaluation studies, supporting policy reviews and is experienced in developing and implementing large and small scale quantitative and qualitative research projects.

Lydia Okroj has been a Housing Policy worker with Scottish Women's Aid since 1997. She moved to this post after working for many years in local Women's Aid groups providing refuge and support to women and this experience continues to inform her work. Her remit is to improve access to temporary and permanent housing for women who experience domestic abuse. She has contributed to several significant milestones in the development of responses to women who become homeless as a result of domestic abuse, including Scottish Executive research on Refuges for Women, Children and Young People in Scotland and research on Sustaining Tenancies Following Domestic Abuse. Lydia co-ordinated the development of the SWA commissioned research to examine why Exclusion Orders are not being used in Scotland.

Responding to Domestic Abuse

Training

This half day session is aimed at workers who have already attended training on domestic abuse awareness and are looking to further their understanding by addressing practical issues around identifying women experiencing domestic abuse and exploring barriers women may experience in disclosing domestic abuse.

By the end of the session delegates will be able to:

- Identify physical, emotional and perpetrated-related signs that can assist workers to identify woman who may be experiencing domestic abuse
- Recognise personal, perpetrator-related and service generated barriers to disclosing domestic abuse and think creatively about working with and around these
- Understand leaving domestic abuse as a process that practitioners can work with
- Identify their role in responding to women who maybe experiencing domestic abuse.

Facilitator Nasra Bibi (freelance trainer)
Date Thursday 19th January 2012
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA offices, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh

Cost
£45 per statutory sector delegate
£35 per voluntary sector delegate

The facilitator Nasra has worked in the voluntary and statutory sector for the last 20 years and is a founding member of a black women's refuge in Scotland. She has worked in a range of community settings with projects for women, young women and in particular BME women. Nasra has specialized in developing anti-racist and anti-discriminatory approaches to gender inequality. For further information about her work visit www.nbconsultancy.com

Gender Justice, Masculinities & Violence

QMU Course

(Scottish Higher Education (SHE) Level 3, Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) Level 9)

Developed under the auspices of the Scottish Government's National Training Strategy to Address Violence Against Women, this exciting collaboration between Scottish Women's Aid and Queen Margaret University offers a credit rated module, validated by QMU. Teaching will reflect the principles of active, collaborative and experiential learning, and the module will be assessed through group-work and a personal assignment. The aims of the module are:

- To introduce an overview of gender based violence as global and social injustice
- To explore and critically examine explanatory frameworks for understanding male violence against women
- To explore and critically examine the links between theory and practice in tackling male violence against women
- To provide a foundation for critical reflection and engaged action in commitment to gender justice.

Teaching will take place over two blocks of two days (4 x 7 hours) on:
Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st January 2012
Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th March 2012

The module will be taught at QMU campus in Musselburgh.

Module Team Lesley Orr (SWA), Eurig Scandrett (QMU) & Nel Whiting (SWA)

For further information about the module, including entrance, applications, venue and costs, please contact Nel Whiting at SWA on 0131 226 1633 or nel.whiting@scottishwomensaid.org.uk

Child Protection & Domestic Abuse

Seminar

Aimed at workers who already have a basic awareness of domestic abuse, this seminar will look at the overlap of domestic abuse and child protection, links between child abuse and woman abuse and ways of offering support to women and children.

By the end of the session delegates will have:

- Gained an overview of domestic abuse and an understanding of good practice in relation to current responses
- Developed an understanding of what research says about the effects of domestic abuse on children and women
- Gained an understanding of issues relating to safety planning.

Speaker Janette de Haan (Women's Support Project)
Date Wednesday 1st February 2012
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speaker Janette de Haan works with the Women's Support Project, a Glasgow based voluntary organization working against violence against women. Her responsibilities include the provision of support and information, consultancy, and the design and delivery of training. Janette is involved in a range of partnership working including the National Group on Violence Against Women and the Working Group on Data Collection, the Glasgow Justice Working Group and the Domestic Abuse Court Multi Agency Advisory Group.

Children's Experiences, Contact & Safety in the Context of Domestic Abuse

35th Anniversary Seminar

This seminar will begin with an overview of literature pertaining to children's experiences of domestic abuse, looking at what research tells us about the impact on children and how they understand their experiences. It will then focus specifically on what children and young people are telling us about their experiences of contact with a father who has domestically abused their mother. The panel discussion will consider how what we know about children's experiences shapes our practice in supporting children and campaigning on the issue.

Keynote Speakers Professor Nicky Stanley (University of Central Lancashire) and Fiona Morrison (Edinburgh University)
Panel Members Heather Coady (Scottish Women's Aid), Viki Kerr (Domestic Violence Probation Project), Sandra Paton (South Ayrshire Women's Aid)
Date Wednesday 29th February 2012
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue The Storytelling Centre, 43-45 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1SR

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The keynote speakers Nicky Stanley researches in the areas of child welfare and safeguarding, domestic violence, children's and young people's mental health and interprofessional work. She has managed a range of research projects commissioned by national and local government, health trusts and voluntary organisations. She writes for academic and professional publications and teaches both practitioners and qualifying social workers. She is a qualified social worker and practised in England and Scotland.

Fiona Morrison is undertaking a PhD studentship with the Centre for Research on Families and Relationships at the University of Edinburgh and Scottish Women's Aid. Her research focuses on children's views and experiences of contact when there is history of domestic abuse. She has held a variety of posts in the voluntary sector. Prior to undertaking her studentship, she worked at Scottish Women's Aid as a Children's Policy Worker.

Domestic Abuse & the Law

Seminar

Recent legislative developments have seen a potential increase in protection for those experiencing domestic abuse. A 'legal loophole' which meant that the common law offence of breach of the peace, often used to prosecute perpetrators of domestic abuse, was no longer appropriate in such abuse cases after a court ruling in July 2009 questioned whether offences that took place behind closed doors could have a 'public element'.

The new statutory offence, created through the recently-passed Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act, does not require any public element for an offence to have been committed. The Act also makes stalking a statutory offence. Furthermore the provisions of the new Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2011 in relation to harassment and breach of interdict, and the Forced Marriage Protection (Scotland) Act 2011 will have far-reaching implications.

This seminar will provide a user-friendly overview of the law relating to domestic abuse, including homeless legislation and the recent developments highlighted above. Aimed at support workers, it will cover essential elements of the criminal and civil law, highlighting their impacts on those experiencing domestic abuse and those working to support them.

Speakers Louise Johnson & Lydia Okroj (Scottish Women's Aid)
Date Wednesday 14th March 2012
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD Edinburgh

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speakers Louise Johnson's background is in business and law and she spent nearly 17 years working in the arena of corporate and personal insolvency, with one of the world's largest accountancy firms, before joining Scottish Women's Aid in 2001. Her work at SWA has contributed to significant legislative change in the areas of family law, law and practice in the investigation and prosecution of both domestic abuse and rape and sexual assault, vulnerable witnesses and Crown disclosure of evidence.

Lydia Okroj is a Housing Development Worker with Scottish Women's Aid. She previously worked as a support worker with Women's Aid in Edinburgh and East Lothian. She has extensive experience of supporting women, children and young people who have experienced domestic abuse and an in-depth knowledge of their housing and support needs.

Intimate Partner Violence & Who is Doing What to Whom

Seminar

Debates about whether men experience domestic abuse with the same frequency as women and whether it is 'the same' or different continue to rage in the media. Importantly, these issues also have an impact on service provision and the shaping of appropriate responses to those experiencing violence and abuse.

This seminar will consider what research tells us about who is doing what to whom and dig below the headline figures to draw a nuanced picture of the issue. The seminar will draw on recent research and theorising about the nature of violence that occurs in intimate relationships, and highlight work which suggests that there are several kinds of intimate partner violence that require differing service responses. It will conclude with a reframing of domestic abuse as a pattern of coercively controlling behaviour that constitutes a 'liberty crime'.

Speaker Nel Whiting (Scottish Women's Aid)
Date Thursday 22nd March 2012
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
£25 per statutory sector delegate
£15 per voluntary sector delegate

The speaker Nel is a Learning & Development Worker with Scottish Women's Aid, where she has worked since September 2003. Her role takes her throughout Scotland providing learning opportunities to a range of professionals in the voluntary and statutory sector. She also teaches on the Queen Margaret University 'Gender Justice' module. Her previous employment includes work in Racial Equality Councils in Scotland and her native Wales. She is author of "What Can Contemporary Gender Theory Contribute to An Understanding of Abuse in Same Sex Relationships?" which was published in the Scottish Journal of Criminal Justice Studies 2008 and "Effecting Operational Change Through Training: Challenges and Approaches" in N.Lombard and L. McMillan (eds.) (forthcoming, 2011) Research Highlights in Social Work: Violence Against Women, Jessica Kingsley Publications.

Understanding the Dynamics of Stalking

Seminar

The high incidence of stalking within our society provides many opportunities for support services to intervene, but first it is important the true nature of the problem is recognised and understood. Stalking is a dangerous and devastating crime that can irrevocably change the lives of victims. It is a crime, which has been poorly understood and without doubt minimized

This seminar will provide a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness to stalking and in doing so will highlight the need for early identification and early intervention of stalking cases.

Speaker Ann Moulds (Campaign Action Scotland Against Stalking)
Date Friday 30th March 2012
Time 10am – 1pm
Venue SWA Office, 2nd Floor, 132 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JD

Cost
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The speaker Ann's experience of being the victim of a sadistic sexual predator highlighted the destructive and differing manifestations stalking can have on a person's life. Her experience also highlighted that stalking wasn't even recognized as a deviant form of behavior, never mind a serious crime. In March 2009, Ann launched Campaign Action Scotland Against Stalking, determined to have stalking recognised as a singular criminal offence within Scotland's Criminal Justice System. In June 2010 anti stalking legislation became enshrined within the new Criminal Justice & Licensing (Scot) Bill, and in December 2010, the new law came into force.

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__ **Seminar** Policing & Domestic Abuse: What Support Workers Need to Know ***20 October 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Training** Working With Children Experiencing Domestic Abuse ***28 October 2011*** (£95/£75)

__ **Seminar** Using Logic Modelling to Design Delivery of Domestic Abuse Outcomes ***3 November 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Seminar** The Myth of Disinhibition ***9 November 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Training** Risk Identification & Domestic Abuse ***10 November 2011*** (£95/£75)

__ **Seminar** Domestic Abuse: A Children's Rights Approach ***16 November 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **35th Anniversary Seminar** The Continuum of Violence Against Women ***22 November 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Free Seminar** Domestic Abuse: What Women Tell Us ***1 December 2011***

__ **Training** Understanding the Dynamics of Domestic Abuse (£95/£75) ***5 December 2011***

__ **Seminar** Exclusion Orders: How Useful Are They? ***7 December 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Training** Responding to Domestic Abuse ***19 January 2011*** (£45/35)

__ **Seminar** Child Protection & Domestic Abuse ***1 February 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Training** Understanding the Dynamics of Domestic Abuse ***15 February 2011*** (£95/£75)

__ **35th Anniversary Seminar** Children's Experiences, Contact & Safety in the Context of Domestic Abuse ***29 February 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Seminar** Domestic Abuse & the Law ***14 March 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Seminar** Intimate Partner Violence & Who is Doing What To Whom ***22 March 2011*** (£25/£15)

__ **Seminar** Understanding the Dynamics of Stalking ***30 March 2011***(£25/£15)

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