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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR / NEWSLETTER EDITOR

(Peggy Goodman):

As we disembark from the rollercoaster that was 2009, hopefully we can look forward to a smoother ride in 2010. Although there continues to be violence in our communities and worldwide, and social and public health disasters such as the devastation in Haiti, the economy is showing signs of improvement. Hopefully this will allow us in the violence prevention field to retain or expand our funding, staffing, services and resources.

As an emergency physician, I daily see the effects of the economy and health care situation on the un- and underinsured who delay seeking care until absolutely necessary, as well as those who are insured but can't afford up-front co-pays needed for office, but not emergency department visits. I believe we chose this field not because it was "profitable" or glamorous, but because it was necessary ...in the words of Rabbi Hillel, "If not me, who? If not now, when?"

This Forum strives to be another means for us to connect with one another in what can be isolating work, but I need your help and input to do this. The Forum has over 1000 members who have signed up either on-line or at the last 3 annual meetings; I would like to invite all of you to give us feedback on how this Forum can serve your needs in the field of family violence prevention, and invite you to participate in helping the Forum meet those needs. We have a Forum website, www.ican-ncfr.org/apha, which tells a little about who we are and what we hope to accomplish. This site also has a method of donating to the Forum; since there is no fee to join a Forum, we receive no funding from APHA. We also have past newsletters and our directory available on the site, and hope to add a listserv and other features. In order to access these, we DO request that you join through Google Groups, to provide some control over site access. We look forward to hearing from you and working with you during the coming year.

SPEAKING OF THE COMING YEAR...it's never too early to start thinking about the annual meeting, "Social Justice: a Public Health Imperative", November 6-10, in Denver, Colorado. **Our deadline for abstract submission was February 16, 2010.**



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FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION FORUM BUSINESS MEETING SUMMARY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009

- Forum leadership – Michael Durfee is taking the position of past-Chair, Peggy Goodman is current Chair, and Pat Speck is Chair-elect. Derrick Gordon is continuing as Program Director and Peggy Goodman is continuing as Newsletter Editor. We do not have a Secretary or Treasurer. All interested members are urged to contact Peggy (goodmanp@ecu.edu), Michael (michaeld55@aol.com) or Pat (pspeck@uthsc.edu) if they are interested in Forum leadership issues / activities).
- Forum sustainability – APHA provides the Forum with meeting time and space for scientific sessions (poster, oral, invited) and a business meeting. Since no dues are collected for Forum membership, other activities, e.g., a booth in the Expo Hall, Social Hour for networking, awards for best poster / oral presentation need to be funded by other means. Fund-raising ideas and donations to the Forum are welcome.
- APHA is also developing e-communities, which will enhance web-based communication among APHA members of the Forum. At this time, pending further development of e-communities, the Forum is basing its website at ICAN (www.ican-ncfr.org/apha), which allows for broader member access. Controls are being put into place through Google groups to ensure that only Forum members have access to the site.
- Sustainability also depends on Forum leadership, encouraging an increased number of Forum members to become involved in program and policy development, membership, research, newsletter and other functions as determined through feedback from the membership.
- Currently, our prime “product” is our directory to facilitate networking among Forum members internationally. Continued fine-tuning of the directory to make it as user-friendly and efficient is essential, as well as preventing abuse of the directory / member contact information.



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- Membership growth is going well; however, membership participation and feedback should be improved in order to better to meet the needs of our members.

BIPARTISAN INTERNATIONAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT INTRODUCED IN HOUSE AND SENATE

On February 4th, 2010, Senators John Kerry (D-MA), Barbara Boxer (D-CA) and Olympia Snowe (R-ME) and Representatives William Delahunt (D-MA), Ted Poe (R-TX) and Jan Schakowsky (D-IL) introduced the *International Violence Against Women Act (I-VAWA)*, legislation that would for the first time make stopping violence against women and girls a priority in American diplomacy and foreign aid.

I-VAWA would help end this violence through prevention programs that help women and girls get an education or improve their economic opportunities, programs that support men and boys in being partners in ending violence, health and support programs for survivors, and legal and judicial training programs that work to hold perpetrators accountable. The legislation supports investments in community-based organizations as well as working with governments to create change in their own countries. It also provides funding and training to better address violence against women in humanitarian situations.

RECENT ARTICLES OF INTEREST (INFORMATIVE, CONTROVERSIAL, AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING):

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Violence against pregnant women: Prevalence, patterns, risk factors, theories, and directions for future research. - Taillieu TL, Brownridge DA. Aggress Violent Behav 2010; 15(1): 14-35.

Why I Hit Him: Women's Reasons for Intimate Partner Violence. Caldwell JE, Swan SC, Allen CT, Sullivan TP, Snow DL. J Aggression Maltreat Trauma 2009; 18(7): 672-697.

Women with protective orders report failure to remove firearms from their abusive partners: results from an exploratory study. - Webster DW, Frattaroli S, Vernick JS, O'Sullivan C, Roehl J, Campbell JC. J Womens Health 2010; 19(1): 93-8.

WEB SITE(S) OF INTEREST:

Public Library of Science www.plos.org

MEETINGS OF INTEREST:

Summit on Interpersonal Violence and Abuse Across the Lifespan: Forging a Shared Agenda

Speakers, workshops, and poster sessions focusing on Child Maltreatment, Children Exposed to Violence, Intimate Partner Violence, Sexual Violence, Teen/Youth Violence, Elder Abuse, Diverse Populations, Community Violence, and Substance Abuse.

Starts: February 24, 2010

Ends: February 26, 2010

Location: Dallas, TX

Contact: Jackie White, Ph.D. at jwwhite@uncg.edu



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Creating a Process of Change for Men Who Batter

This training is the comprehensive training for working with men who batter using the Duluth Model.

Starts: March 03, 2010 **Ends:** March 05, 2010 **Location:** Providence, RI

Also:

Starts: May 12, 2010 **Ends:** May 14, 2010 **Location:** Duluth, MN

Starts: July 14, 2010 **Ends:** July 16, 2010 **Location:** Duluth, MN

Stalking Resource Center Training of Trainers

This training will provide information and tools to provide foundational training on stalking in communities. This conference is designed for professionals who plan on providing stalking training in their own communities to a variety of audiences, including law enforcement, prosecutors, victim services providers, community corrections officers, judges, and other allied professionals.

Starts: March 16, 2010

Ends: March 18, 2010

Location: New Orleans, LA

Contact: src@ncvc.org

Healing Generations and Transforming Communities

Learn how a victim's experience is shaped by circumstance – political and economic climate in the country of origin, socioeconomic group, level of education and immigration, citizenship or visa status, with an emphasis on examining the unique effect these circumstances have on Latino victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence. The conference will give providers an opportunity to develop and strengthen specific tools they can use to better serve Hispanic victims while focusing on emerging issues in the areas of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence effecting Latino victims.

Starts: March 17, 2010

Ends: March 19, 2010

Location: Miami Beach, FL

Contact: info@dvalianza.org or call 505-224-9080



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Male Survivor 2010 International Conference: Healing and Hope for Male Survivors

This international conference provides a unique opportunity for personal and professional growth, networking, and the dissemination of new knowledge in the area of sexually traumatized boys and men. This four-day event will feature numerous workshops for male survivors of sexual abuse, their loved ones/partners, and professionals who work with them.

Starts: March 18, 2010

Ends: March 21, 2010

Location: John Jay College New York, New York

Contact: conference@malesurvivor.org

2010 Annual Hawaii Conference on Preventing, Assessing & Treating Childhood, Adolescent & Adult Trauma

The goals of this Conference are to present the latest research, prevention, assessment, and intervention techniques concerning various aspects of child, adolescent and adult trauma and maltreatment and the long term effects if they go untreated.

Starts: March 29, 2010

Ends: April 01, 2010

Location: Ala Moana Hotel 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu, HI 96814

2010 International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence and Stalking

Join fellow law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, victim advocates, judges, parole and probation officers, rape crisis workers, medical personnel, faith community members, educators and others for this conference highlighting promising practices and emerging issues in sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking. See website for more details.

Starts: April 19, 2010

Ends: April 21, 2010

Location: InterContinental Buckhead, 3315 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta, Georgia

Contact: info@evawintl.org

10th Annual International Family Justice Center Conference

The three-day conference will include discussions on issues related to the handling of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, and elder abuse cases in the context of the Family Justice Center model. The conference faculty includes



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nationally & internationally recognized subject matter experts, advocates, and survivors.

Starts: April 27, 2010

Ends: April 29, 2010

Location: San Antonio Crowne Plaza Hotel - Riverwalk

Women of Color Network Conference

Presented by the Women of Color Network and the Office for Victims of Crime. The event will begin with three institutes occurring simultaneously over two days: a Women of Color Institute, Men's Institute (in partnership with A Call to Men), and Mainstream Women Allies Institute. This will be followed by a two-day national conference.

Starts: May 10, 2010

Ends: May 14, 2010

Location: New Orleans, LA

14th National Conference on Domestic Violence: Changing Faces of the Movement

Advocates are encouraged to join hundreds of domestic violence survivors and other allies for critical discussions, networking and vital information aimed at providing services and support for victims of domestic violence. "

Starts: August 01, 2010

Ends: August 04, 2010

Location: The Hilton Anaheim, Anaheim, California

2010 National Sexual Assault Conference

CALCASA is hosting the 2010 National Sexual Assault Conference in Los Angeles.

Starts: September 01, 2010

Ends: September 03, 2010

Location: Los Angeles, California

IAFN 18th Annual Scientific Assembly Ending Violence: Leading the Health Care Response

This year's conference is aimed at offering opportunities for nurses, researchers, educators, law enforcement, policy makers, and all related professionals to share important knowledge and experiences related to forensic nursing.

Starts: October 27, 2010



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Ends: October 30, 2010

Location: Omni William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania,

Contact: info@iafn.org

Please send information about significant links, organizations, research and meetings relevant to issues of family violence to Peggy Goodman (goodmanp@ecu.edu) for inclusion in future newsletters.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

"The cause endures, the hope still lives, and the dream shall never die" – Edward M. Kennedy

The directory is the main tool for members to contact each other throughout the year. Please check to ensure we have your most current contact information, including APHA Section(s) and other professional organizations to which you belong. Please add keywords (e.g., stalking, research) to your profile to help others with similar interests network with you.

The website is continually under revision, please check <http://www.ican-ncfr.org/apha/> periodically for updates

Please fill out the **Membership application / interest survey** on the last page of the newsletter if you have not already done so. If you are an APHA member, you can also join our Forum through the APHA website. Please invite your colleagues to join as well.



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Membership Application (Note: there is no charge to join a Forum!)

1. Personal Information:

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Title

2. Address:

Agency

City

State

Zip

3. Contact Information:

Phone

Fax

Email

4. What APHA Sections/SPIGS/Caucuses/Forums do you belong to?



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Sections

SPIGS

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5. What particular area(s) of Family Violence interest you? (Circle any that apply)

Child Abuse/Neglect Intimate Partner Violence Elder Abuse/Neglect

Education Fatal Injury Mental Health Policy Sexual Assault

Program & Services Research/Evaluation Substance Abuse Prevention

Other (please specify)

6. To which other professional organizations do you belong? (Please list up to 3).

7. What topics or projects would you suggest for the forum?

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