

## WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY 2011 TORONTO – CANADA

*International Forum on Sexual Safety of Older Women- A Human Rights Approach*

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> of JUNE 2011**

Toronto will be giving focus to an under-reported, silent and insidious form of abuse - the sexual abuse of older women. Historically, older people have never been considered potential or actual targets of sexual assault and as a result have been under-identified and under-served as victims. With the limited knowledge and awareness of this form of elder abuse, the most effective strategy to serve older victims of sexual assault is to bring together professionals in victim's services and in the aging fields to shed light on this issue.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND** – Government, NGO's, elder abuse prevention networks, crime and victim services, health care providers, residential care providers, legal services, social worker networks, and the media. [Register Your Interest Today](#). Cost is only \$60 (+HST) for the Forum and Delegate Reception.

Hosted by the International Federation on Ageing and Ryerson University, in Collaboration with the Ontario Seniors' Secretariat and the Ontario Women's Directorate, this one day interactive International Forum is an opportunity for the governments of Canada, service providers, practitioners, professionals and those dealing in elder protection to hear from a number of internationally respected experts in the field.

### **CONFIRMED SPEAKERS AND DISCUSSANTS: (MORE TO COME)**

- ✚ **Dr. Holly Ramsey-Klawnsnik**, of Klawnsnik & Klawnsnik Associates – Massachusetts USA
- ✚ **Prof. Pamela B. Teaster** - Associate Dean for Research, University of Kentucky - USA
- ✚ **Ms. Ferdous Ara Begum** – United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) – Bangladesh
- ✚ **Dr. Helen Jones** – PhD, Principal Lecturer in Criminology, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK
- ✚ **Mr. Jamie Howie** - Provincial Adult Protection Consultant, New Brunswick, Canada
- ✚ **Ms. Judith Wahl** - Executive Director and Senior Lawyer at the Advocacy Centre for the Elderly (ACE)
- ✚ **Dr. Laura Mosqueda MD** - Director of Geriatrics, University of California, USA
- ✚ **Dr. Lisa Manuel**, Director of Family Service Toronto's Changing Lives and Family Violence Programs – Canada
- ✚ **Ms. Carol Goar** – Editorial Columnist and Canadian Journalist with the Toronto Star
- ✚ **Ms. Dominique Predali** – Journalist and Author of “*Twelve Angry Geriatricians*”, France

**Additional information, program details and speaker profiles will shortly be available on the IFA website at [www.ifa-fiv.org](http://www.ifa-fiv.org)**

**Collaborators:** Ontario Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse ([ONPEA](#)), Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse ([CNPEA](#)), National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse ([NCPEA](#))

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