

# Increasing Safety for Alaska Native Women An Indigenous Curriculum for Alaska Native Villages

Nana Region, Village of Kotzebue Wednesday, April 5, 2017 Nullagvik Hotel

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Traditional Opening
  Mary Ann Wilson, Elder, Native Village of Kotzebue

Welcome and Introductions of Village Participants

# 9:45 Overview of Alaska Native Women's Resource Center Domestic Violence Curriculum, Year Two, Follow-Up

Presenter –

Tami Truett Jerue, Executive Director, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center (AKNWRC)

Video:

Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men, National Institute of Justice, 2016

## 10:00 How Domestic Violence Impacts the Survivor: The Need for Shelter and Related Services

Presenters –

- Services Provided by the Maniilaq Family Crisis Center
  - Shylena Monroe, Manager

- Need for Native Specific Services
  - o Lynn Hootch, Director, Yup'ik Women's Coalition
- Advocating for Alaska Native Women DV Survivors
  - Shirley Moses, Director, Healing Native Hearts Coalition

Video: We Want Our Women to Be Safe

10:45 BREAK

#### 11:00 How Domestic Violence Impacts Our Inupiaq Villages

Presenters –

Roberta Moto, Wellness Program Manager, Maniilaq Association Tami Truett Jerue, AKNWRC

Video: Lessons from the Old Days, by the late Yup'ik Elder Rose Burkowski

12:00 Lunch on Your Own

#### 1:30 Understanding Domestic Violence as Native Peoples

#### The Need for Abuser Accountability

Presenters -

Aucha Kameroff, Kotzebue District Supervisor, State of Alaska, Division of Juvenile Justice

Lenora "Lynn" Hootch, Executive Director, Yup'ik Women's Coalition

Video: The Teachings, by the late Yup'ik Elder William Trader

# 2:30 Small Group Discussions on Domestic Violence in Inupiaq / Nana Region Villages

The goals of the small group breakout sessions are to discuss domestic violence as Alaska Native peoples. The breakout sessions provide the time for everyone gathered to share their thoughts on domestic violence as Inupiaq and other Alaska Natives. The sessions will give everyone the opportunity to share any changes in their village response to domestic violence.

# Group | Assisting Victims of Domestic Violence in the Village

Facilitators: Shylena Monroe, Shirley Moses and Lynn Hootch Discussion about services available and needed in villages to support victims of domestic violence.

#### Group II Accountability of Abusers to the Village

Facilitators: Aucha Kameroff, Priscilla Kameroff and Paula Julian Discussion about services available and needed in villages to reeducate domestic violence offenders to end abuse.

#### Group III Increasing the Village Response

Facilitators: Roberta Moto, Tami Jerue and Jax Agtuca Discussion about the current village response to domestic violence and ways to increase a village response.

#### 3:00 BREAK

# 3:15 Sharing Our Discussions as Indigenous Peoples Reports From Small Group Discussion to the Gathering

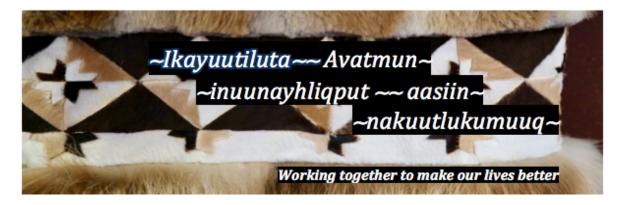
Everyone will join together again to hear the reports from the small group discussions. The facilitators of the small groups will provide the report from their group and facilitate the large group discussion. The report from the small group discussion will give everyone the opportunity to share their ideas as Alaska Natives on the effects of domestic violence on the victims and the village, and ideas for increasing the village response to domestic violence abusers.

# 4:00 Review of the Highlights of the Day Concerns and Actions Needed

## 4:45 Completion and Collection of the Evaluation Forms

The facilitator will review and discuss the evaluation form with the participants. The group will discuss the importance of the evaluation and how it will help develop the curriculum for future trainings. Resource people will circulate to answer any questions about the evaluation form.

## 5:00 Day One Closing



# Increasing Safety for Alaska Native Women An Indigenous Curriculum for Alaska Native Village Day 2, Thursday, April 6, 2016

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Traditional Opening

Welcome and Overview of Agenda for the Day

9:15 Overview of the Resources Available to Assist Villages: Violence Against Women Act, Family Violence Prevention Services Act, and the Victim of Crimes Act

Tribal leaders and advocates for the safety of Native women have worked for over three decades to end domestic violence. As a result of their efforts the laws of the United States and resources available to Indian tribes have improved. This session will provide participants an overview of the three federal programs available to assist Alaska Native villages to increase their response to domestic and sexual violence.

Presenter – Jacqueline "Jax" Agtuca, AKNWRC, Law and Policy Consultant

# 9:45 Overview of VAWA Tribal Annual Consultation: Concerns and Recommendations to Increase Safety of Alaska Native Women

Victims of domestic have legal options available to stop the violence. However many times the only person standing between an Alaska Native woman and an abuser is a family member or someone else from the village. This session will provide an overview of the importance of the VAWA Annual Tribal Consultation to increasing the safety of Alaska Native women. The session will review past concerns and recommendations presented by Alaska tribal leaders during the VAWA consultations and the response of the various federal departments (USDOJ-OVW; DHHS-FVPSA, and DOI-BIA Courts and the positive developments as a result of the consultation process.

Presenter -Tami Truett Jerue, Lynn Hootch and Jax Agtuca

10:15 Break

# 10:30 Understanding the Criminal Justice Response: Prosecution of a Domestic Violence Offender

This session will provide an overview of the prosecution of a domestic violence offender and handling of a domestic violence criminal case by the Office of the District Attorney in Kotzebue.

Presenter – Rachel Ahrens, Assistant District Attorney

12:30 Lunch on Your Own

### **Day Two Afternoon**

- 1:45 Action Planning Small-Group Village Discussions to Identify Ways to Increase Safety and Stop Domestic Violence in the Nana Region.
  - Group I Action Planning: Increasing Safety for Survivors
    Facilitators: Shylena Monroe, Shirley Moses and Lynn Hootch
  - Group II Action Planning: Increasing Responsibility of Abusers

Facilitators: Aucha Kameroff, Priscilla Kameroff and Paula Julian

Group III Action Planning: Working Together to Increase the Village Response to Create Safety for the Community

Facilitators: Roberta Moto, Tami Jerue and Jax Agtuca

#### 2:45 Reports from Small Group Discussions

Everyone from the small groups will come together again to hear the reports from the different discussions. The facilitators of the small groups will provide the report from their group and also facilitate the large group discussion. The report from the small group discussion will give everyone the opportunity to share their ideas on ways that we as Native people and villages we can increase the safety of domestic violence victims, increase responsibility of abusers for their violence and increase the response of the village to domestic violence.

#### **3:45** BREAK

#### 4:00 Reports from Small Group Discussions Continued

## 4:30 Review of the Highlights of the Day and Next Steps

The highlights of the day and next steps will be reviewed in small group discussion at each table using the flip chart to record the list. The participants will choose a person/s to report to the larger group. The facilitator will guide the report back process. the two-day training providing the highlights and outcomes / next steps of the discussions. Participants from Emmonak will share key outcomes decided during their training.

#### Facilitators:

Bree Swanson, Social Services Administrator, Manillaq Association Roberta Moto & Shylena Monroe

## 4:45 Completion and Collection of the Evaluation Forms

## 5:00 Traditional Closing

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