

# NATIONAL NETWORK TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST IMMIGRANT WOMEN

2003 OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN GRANTEE TRAINING AND NATIONAL NETWORK CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 4-7, 2003

Workshops designated with 'OVW' are Office on Violence Against Women approved and are part of the Office on Violence Against Women training.

7:30a.m. – 9:00a.m.      **BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION**

9:00a.m. – 12:45p.m.      **OPENING PLENARY –“As She Sees It” (OVW)**  
**Bonsai/Boojum**      An overview of the cultural issues that arise and systematic barriers for immigrant victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.  
*Leslye Orloff, Leni Marin, Gail Pendleton, Sujata Warrior, Olga Trujillo*

Eight groups will be assigned to the following rooms:

1. Salons B/C
2. Salons F/G
3. Bonsai
4. Palo Verde
5. Cottonwood
6. Salon A
7. Salon H
8. Redwood

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.      **LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.      **AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS OVW:**

**Salon B/C**      **IMMIGRATION BASICS: PART I --OVERCOMING OBSTACLES FACED BY IMMIGRANT VIOLENCE SURVIVORS**  
This workshop discusses the dynamics of domestic violence experienced by immigrant victims and provides an introductory overview of immigration including family-based petitioning. It will identify where relief for immigrant victims fits within the structure of immigration law.  
*Lea Webb, Gretchen Hunt*

**Salon F/G**      **BASIC FAMILY LAW OVERVIEW (PART I)**  
This workshop will provide an overview of divorce, custody, paternity, protection order and other family law issues, which affect battered immigrants.  
*Jennifer Rose, Joyce Noche*

**Bonsai**      **INTERMEDIATE IMMIGRATION: PART I -- OVERVIEW OF PROCESS FOR OBTAINING IMMIGRATION RELIEF FOR IMMIGRANT VICTIMS**  
This workshop is for persons familiar with VAWA immigration relief who want to hone their skills and learn more about the practice of preparing and filing VAWA self-petitions, U visas (crime victim visas) and T visas (trafficking victim visas).  
*Lyn Kirkeconnel*

Day One: Tuesday, November 4, 2003

**Redwood**

**BENEFITS 101 (PART I)**

This workshop will provide a basic review of immigrant access to public benefits and address the following issues: Who is a qualified immigrant? What benefits can qualified immigrants receive? What benefits can all immigrants receive without regard to their status? How can a battered immigrant become a qualified immigrant? When can qualified immigrants access Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Food Stamps, Medicaid and Supplemental Security Income Benefits (SSI)?

*Amanda Baran, David Duran*

**Cottonwood**

**IMMIGRANT VICTIMS AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING THE BASICS (PART I)**

This workshop will provide an understanding of how the criminal justice system works. It will cover who the “players” are and what are their roles, powers and responsibilities (ie. Judges, prosecutors). It will explain the rights and responsibilities of victims witnesses and defendants who are accused of crimes and provide an understanding of procedures for criminal cases.

*Maria Alvarenga, Graciela Martinez, Susan Breall, M.J.Raciti, Lieutenant Kevin Lane*

**Salon A**

**MODERN SLAVERY: INTRODUCTION TO TRAFFICKING (PART I)**

This workshop will explore the issue of modern day slavery trafficking in all of its dimensions. It will begin by addressing the issues that were raised through the “As She Sees It” exercise and then move to a discussion about the dynamics of trafficking. Learning objectives: 1)to provide an understanding of how trafficking happens, what makes people vulnerable to trafficking; 2)to provide a basic knowledge of the definition of trafficking within the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA); and 3)to discuss a common framework of defining the scope of trafficking.

*Leni Marin, Olga Trujillo*

**Salon H**

**MODELS OF ORGANIZING AND ADVOCACY (PART I)**

This workshop will discuss models of community organizing and advocacy that have been effective in providing access to culturally competent services and assistance for immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking. Collaborations across ethnic groups, with faith based organizations, and between community based advocates and domestic violence service providers will be discussed. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about culturally competent strategies they can use in their own communities.

*Aparna Bhattacharyya, Danuta Prządka, Meg Quintero, Virginia Ortega, Alex Orozco, Raquel Sotelo*

**Boojum**

**IT'S IN THEIR CULTURE: CULTURE, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND COMPETENCY (PART I)**

This workshop will address understanding the term culture and the dynamics of difference when working in the context of violence against women. Needs to understand the importance of cultural misinformation so that one can avoid making assumptions about cases and women and the political context that shapes the work on violence against women.

*Sujata Warriar*

**Salon E**

**MOCK HEARINGS: CASES IN PROCEEDINGS**

*Lori Rosenberg, Warren McBroom, Rebecca Story*

**Salon D**

**OVERVIEW PROCESS FOR OBTAINING IMMIGRATION RELIEF**

*Susan Schreiber*

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

**BREAK**

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS CONTINUED:**

**Salon B/C**

**IMMIGRATION BASICS: (PART II) OVERVIEW OF IMMIGRATION OPTIONS FOR IMMIGRANT SURVIVORS OF CRIME**

Part II of this workshop will focus specifically on providing an overview of the range of immigration options available to immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking.

*Gretchen Hunt, Lea Webb*

**Salon F/G**

**BASIC FAMILY LAW (PART II)**

This workshop includes “practical skills,” which case scenarios will be discussed and advocacy strategies will be raised. One of the goals for the practical skills section is to assist advocates who do not have the assistance of attorneys as they help battered immigrants through the family court system.

*Jennifer Rose, Joyce Noche*

**Bonsai**

**INTERMEDIATE IMMIGRATION: (PART II) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FOR VAWA SELF-PETITIONERS**

This workshop will cover the basic requirements to help battered immigrant applicants with approved VAWA self-petitions to apply for adjustment of status and receive their lawful permanent residency.

*Mona Patel-Sikora*

**Redwood**

**BENEFITS 101 (PART II)**

This workshop will provide a basic review of immigrant access to public benefits and address the following issues: Who is a qualified immigrant? What benefits can qualified immigrants receive? What benefits can all immigrants receive without regard to their status? How can a battered immigrant become a qualified immigrant? When can qualified immigrants access Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Food Stamps, Medicaid and Supplemental Security Income Benefits (SSI)?

*Amanda Baran, David Duran*

**Cottonwood**

**IMMIGRANT VICTIMS AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING THE BASICS (PART II)**

This portion of the workshop will focus on applying the information learned in Part I to specific factual scenarios. Participants and presenters will analyze and discuss a series of different hypotheticals that illustrate the most common types of

cases facing immigrant women in the criminal justice system.

*Maria Alvarenga, Graciela Martinez, Susan Breall, M.J.Raciti, Lieutenant Kevin Lane*

**Salon A**

**MODERN SLAVERY: INTRODUCTION TO TRAFFICKING (PART II)**

This interactive workshop is a follow up and will focus on identification; screening and intervention to assist trafficked victims of domestic violence and sexual assaults. Learning objectives: 1) to understand the benefits available to victims under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA); 2) to discuss strategies on identifying and screening trafficking victims of sexual assault and domestic violence; and 3) will specifically explore steps advocates can take to intervene and assist victims and create a multidisciplinary response.

*Leni Marin, Maria Jose Fletcher, Olga Trujillo, Tapestri, Norma Timbang*

**Salon H**

**COMMUNITY ORGANIZING AND ADVOCACY 101 (PART II)**

This workshop will discuss models of community organizing and advocacy that have been effective in providing access to culturally competent services and assistance for immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking. Collaborations across ethnic groups, with faith based organizations and between community based advocates, and domestic violence service providers will be discussed. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about culturally competent strategies they can use in their own communities.

*Aparna Bhattacharyya, Danuta Prządka, Meg Quintero, Rosa Linda, Garcia Guzman, Alex Orozco*

**Boojum**

**IT'S IN THEIR CULTURE: CULTURE, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND COMPETENCY (PART II)**

This workshop will apply the framework on actual cases and identify bias' and misinformation in the process of empowerment. It will help you to understand the process of institutionalizing cultural competency and how to apply the framework on the institutionalizing process.

*Sujata Warrier*

**TRAININGS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE NOT OVW GRANTEEES:**

Participants will be offered their choice between two day long trainings that will operate with the same breaks and lunch break schedule as the OVW track.

**Salon D**

**BASIC IMMIGRATION TRAINING: TRAINING ADJUSTMENT STATUS FOR VAWA SELF-PETITIONERS**

This training is designed for persons new to immigration options for immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking. Participants will learn the basics about systematic barriers immigrant victims face when trying to seek help from the justice system, VAWA immigration relief, how to file a VAWA self-petition, and how to help immigrant victims obtain lawful permanent residency.

*Susan Schreiber*

**Salon E**

**ADVANCED IMMIGRATION WORKSHOP**

This day long training will be for persons with experience representing domestic violence victims in immigration cases who want to hone their skills represent immigrant victims in proceedings before immigration judges. This session will include and opportunity to participate in a mock hearing.

*Evangeline Abriel, Matt Adams, Liz Newman, Gloria Goldman*

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
*Ironwood*

**NATIONAL NETWORK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING WITH DINNER**

# Wednesday, November 5, 2003

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

**Bonsai**

## YOGA AND MEDITATION

*Annie Benson, Jessica Hartung*

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

## BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**Salons D/E**

## OPENING PLENARY (OVW)

In this plenary, the complex intersection of various forms of violence against women will be explored.

*Gail Pendleton, Leni Marin, Aparna Bhattacharya, Chic Dabby, Maria Jose Fletcher, Condencia Brade, Sonia Parras Konrad, Julia Perilla*

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

## BREAK

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

## MORNING WORKSHOPS:

**Salons B/C**

### OVERVIEW OF PROCESS FOR OBTAINING IMMIGRATION RELIEF AND ADJUSTMENT RED FLAG ISSUES (OVW)

This workshop will provide an overview of VAWA immigration relief, procedures for filing VAWA self-petitions, U visas and T visas and special issues that are important to flag when preparing a battered immigrant filing for adjustment of status to lawful permanent residency.

*Mona Patel-Sikora, Laura Dawkins*

**Salons F/G**

### HAGUE CONVENTION: CIVIL ASPECTS OF CHILD ABDUCTION – US BASED CASES (OVW)

This workshop will educate advocates and attorneys regarding the civil aspects of child abduction under the Hague. The overview of the Hague treaty, what the remedies available, and how the extradition orders work in the US Courts will also be discussed.

*Sudha Shetty, Leslye Orloff*

**Bonsai**

### IMMIGRANT VICTIMS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING THE BASICS (OVW)

This workshop will provide an understanding of how the criminal justice system works. It will cover who the “players” are and what are their roles, powers and responsibilities (ie. Judges, prosecutors). It will explain the rights and responsibilities of victims, witnesses, and defendants who are accused of crimes and provide an understanding of procedures for criminal cases.

*Maria Alverenga, Susan Breall, Graciela Martinez, M.J.Raciti, Lieutenant Kevin Lane*

**Boojum**

### INTERMEDIATE BENEFITS FOR IMMIGRANT VICTIMS

This is an intermediate workshop focusing on which public benefits agencies have a duty to report undocumented immigrants to BICE, immigrants obtaining social security numbers to obtain benefits, Legal Service Corporation restrictions, and whether/how using public benefits can affect an immigrant when applying for lawful permanent residency (i.e., public charge concerns).

*Amanda Baran, David Duran, Cecilia Olavarria*

*Cottonwood*

**ORGANIZING AND ADVOCACY 101 (OVW, Repeat from Tuesday p.m.) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will be led by community organizers and advocates that work within systems to make changes for the immigrant women they work with. This workshop will highlight collaborations and strategies that have mobilized members of churches, law enforcement, statewide coalitions to take proactive roles in coming up with solutions to address violence against women in their respective immigrant communities. This workshop will also address key components to organizing and community based advocacy.  
*Rosie Garcia Guzman, Virginia Ortega, Mily Trevino Saucedo, Alex Orozco, Aparna Bhattacharyya*

*Salon D*

**BUILDING EFFECTIVE COLLABORATIONS TO RESPOND TO VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING (OVW) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This interactive workshop will feature a panel of providers currently working with trafficked persons that will provide practical guidance for advocates wanting to create collaborative efforts to respond to victims of trafficking. The workshop will work with participants to problem solve around common collaboration issues.  
*Leni Marin, Olga Trujillo, Tapestri, CAST, Norma Timbang*

*Salon A*

**WHAT ADVOCATES AND IMMIGRATION ATTORNEYS NEED TO KNOW WHEN WORKING WITH VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT (OVW)**

This workshop will involve participants in a discussion of how to provide culturally competent services to immigrant victims of rape and sexual assault. It will highlight for advocates, immigration and family lawyers how working with immigrant victims of sexual assault differs from working with immigrant domestic violence victims.  
*Condencia Brade, Joyce Noche*

*Salon H*

**BASIC FAMILY LAW OVERVIEW (OVW, Repeat from Tuesday a.m.)**

This workshop will provide an overview of divorce, custody, paternity, protection order and other family law issues, which affect battered immigrants. The creative use of protection orders will also be discussed. Cultural barriers to seeking legal assistance and utilizing the civil legal system (particularly family court) will be addressed.  
*Sonia Parras Konrad, Jennifer Rose*

*Salon E*

**IT'S IN THEIR CULTURE: CULTURE, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND COMPETENCY (OVW)**

This workshop will apply the framework on actual cases and identify bias' and misinformation in the process of empowerment. It will help you to understand the process of institutionalizing cultural competency and how to apply the framework on the institutionalizing process.  
*Sujata Warrior*

*Redwood*

**LEGAL REMEDIES FOR TRAFFICKING VICTIMS (OVW)**

This workshop will provide an overview of legal remedies for trafficking victims including immigration and public benefits relief.  
*Maria Jose Fletcher*

# OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN GRANTEE TRAINING ENDS HERE

12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## **LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

*Regional Network Sessions 1:30-2:30PM.*

*See Registration Packet Flyer for Room Information.*

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

## **AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS:**

### ***Bonsai***

#### **ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS PART 1: TRAINING AND WORKSHOP**

This workshop is part 1 of a 2 part workshop. Participants will learn how to help immigrant victims prepare applications for lawful permanent residency through adjustment of status applications.

*Evangeline Abriel, Susan Schreiber, Julie Dinnerstein, Laura Dawkins, Andrea Parra*

### ***Salons F/G***

#### **INTERSTATE CUSTODY: UNDERSTANDING THE UCCJA AND UCCJEA (PART I)**

This workshop will discuss the complex issues that arise when victims of domestic violence need to flee a state with their children to escape domestic violence. It will discuss the law and practice issues under the UCCJA and the UCCJEA and will highlight special issues that arise in cases of immigrant victims.

*Sudha Shetty, Joyce L. Noche*

### ***Salon B/C***

#### **ADVANCED: IMMIGRATION CONSEQUENCES OF CRIMES FOR SELF-PETITIONERS, U AND T VISA, VAWA CANCELLATIONS, AND ASYLUM CASES (PART I)**

This workshop will focus on analyzing the immigration consequences to immigrant DV and sexual assault victims who are applying for immigration benefits (ie. Self petition, U visa) but who have been accused of or convicted of crimes. The workshop will analyze the criminal provisions of the immigration law for each type of immigration benefit and provide strategies and arguments for how to get your case approved when your client has criminal history.

*Annie Benson, Rosa Freguso, Matt Adams*

### ***Boojum***

#### **PUBLIC BENEFITS: THE BASICS AND BEYOND (PART I) COMPREHENSIVE BENEFITS**

This workshop will provide a comprehensive review of immigrant access to public benefits as well as address issues regarding reporting requirements, immigrants obtaining social security numbers to obtain benefits, Legal Service Corporation restrictions, and whether/how using public benefits can affect an immigrant when applying for lawful permanent residency (i.e., public charge concerns).

*Amanda Baran, David Duran, Cecilia Olavarria*

### ***Salon D***

#### **COMMUNITY ORGANIZING TO MAKE CHANGE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SYSTEMS (PART I) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will be led by community organizers and advocates that work within systems and outside of systems to make changes for the immigrant women they work with. This workshop will highlight collaborations and strategies that have mobilized members of churches, law enforcement, statewide coalitions to take proactive roles in coming up with

solutions to address violence against women in their respective immigrant communities. This workshop will also address key components to organizing and community based advocacy.

*Maria Aheranga, Julia Perilla, Mily Trevino Saucedo, Raquel Sotelo, Dilquis License to Freedom Project in San Diego, Alex Orozco, Chinyere Ukabiala*

**Cottonwood**

**MODERN SLAVERY: INTRODUCTION TO TRAFFICKING (PART I)**

This interactive workshop we hope to get advocates to recognize the issue of Trafficking, to reach out and create partnerships with immigration attorneys and service providers to assist victims and to engage law enforcement to learn about the issue.

*Leni Marin, Olga Trujillo*

**Salon A**

**BIA RECOGNITION AND ACCREDITATION**

Trained non-lawyers can receive recognition and accreditation to represent immigrant victims in immigration cases before the Department of Homeland Security. This workshop discusses the accreditation process. Participants will learn how they and others at their agency can become accredited representatives who can represent battered immigrants in self-petitioning cases.

*Jack Holmgren*

**Salon E**

**IT'S IN THEIR CULTURE: CULTURE, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND COMPETENCY (PART I) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will address understanding the term culture and the dynamics of difference when working in the context of violence against women. Needs to understand the importance of cultural misinformation so that one can avoid making assumptions about cases and women and the political context that shapes the work on violence against women.

*Sujata Warrior*

3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

**BREAK**

4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS CONTINUED:**

**Boojum**

**ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS PART II: SKILLS AND ADVOCACY**

This workshop is part 2 of a 2 part workshop. Participants will learn how to help immigrant victims prepare applications for lawful permanent residency through adjustment of status applications

*Evangaline Abriel, Susan Schrieber, Julie Dinnerstein, Laura Dawkins, Andrea Parra*

**Salons B/C**

**INTERSTATE CUSTODY: UNDERSTANDING THE UCCJA AND UCCJEA (PART II)**

This workshop will discuss the complex issues that arise when victims of domestic violence need to flee a state with their children to escape domestic violence. It will discuss the law and practice issues under the UCCJA and the UCCJEA and will highlight special issues that arise in cases of immigrant victims.

*Sudha Shetty, Joyce L. Noche*

**Salons F/G**

**ADVANCED: IMMIGRATION CONSEQUENCES OF CRIMES FOR SELF-PETITIONERS, U AND T VISA, VAWA CANCELLATIONS, AND ASYLUM CASES (PART II)**

This portion of the workshop will be an opportunity to discuss, analyze, and strategize on specific cases that relate to the information covered in Part I. So please bring your cases regarding clients who are dealing with criminal convictions

*Annie Benson, Rosa Freguso, Matt Adam*

**Bonsai**

**PUBLIC BENEFITS: THE BASICS AND BEYOND (PART II)**

This workshop will provide a comprehensive review of immigrant access to public benefits as well as address issues regarding reporting requirements, immigrants obtaining social security numbers to obtain benefits, Legal Service Corporation restrictions, and whether/how using public benefits can affect an immigrant when applying for lawful permanent residency (i.e., public charge concerns).

*Amanda Baran, David Duran*

**Salon D**

**COMMUNITY ORGANIZING TO MAKE CHANGE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SYSTEMS (PART II) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This part of the workshop will allow you to get into groups and practice the skills learned in the first part of the workshop. You answer questions like: Have group identify communities where they live? How would they work towards building community allies and organizers? Etc.

*Maria Alveranga, Aparna Bhattacharyya, Julia Perilla, Mily Trevino Saucedo, Raquel Sotelo, Dilkhwar Ahmed*

**Salon A**

**MODERN SLAVERY: INTRODUCTION TO TRAFFICKING PART II**

To identify whether the victims are trafficked. To begin to establish partnerships with other professionals and community based programs to assist these victims and to create multidisciplinary responses to the issue.

*Olga Trujillo, Leni Marin, Tapestri, Maria Jose Fletcher, CAST, Norma Timbang*

**Cottonwood**

**IMMIGRATION BASICS In SPANISH**

This workshop will provide an overview of immigration rules and laws affecting immigrant victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, suggest practice pointers for those assisting immigrants seeking status, and interactive discussion on how to best help non-citizens document and win their applications for status.

*Rosa Freguso, Andrea Parra*

**Salon E**

**IT'S IN THEIR CULTURE: CULTURE, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND COMPETENCY (PART II)**

This workshop will address understanding the term culture and the dynamics of difference when working in the context of violence against women. Needs to understand the importance of cultural misinformation so that one can avoid making assumptions about cases and women and the political context that shapes the work on violence against women.

*Sujata Warrior*

*Salon H*

**HOW TO EVALUATE YOUR/OWN PROGRAM**

The goal of this workshop is three-fold: 1) working on developing an understanding of the program evaluation; 2) the workshop participants and presenters will collaboratively design the evaluation of the Impact of the Network; and 3) an interactive forum/opportunity for advocates and others who are working to end violence against immigrant women to begin designing their own program evaluation.

*Rachel Rodriguez, Mieko Yoshihama, Naval Ammar*

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

*Courtyard*

**RECEPTION**

7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

*Grand Ballroom*

**BANQUET – NETWORK CELEBRATION**

# Thursday, November 6, 2003

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

## **Bonsai**

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

## **YOGA AND MEDITATION**

*Annie Benson, Jessica Hartung*

## **BREAKFAST**

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

## **MORNING WORKSHOPS:**

### **Salons A/B/C**

#### **Q & A ON VAWA ADJUSTMENT WITH DHS FOLKS (PART I)**

This workshop will provide a forum for those working with immigrant victims applying for relief under the Violence Against Women Act to have a dialogue with representatives from the Department of Homeland Security about issues that arise in cases of immigrant victims

*Sally Kinoshita, Walt Laramie, Laura Dawkins, George Murphy*

### **Salon D**

#### **CUSTODY EVALUATORS (GALS) AND OTHER CUSTODY ISSUES AFFECTING BATTERED IMMIGRANTS (NON-UCCJA/UCCJEA CASES) (PART I)**

Many advocates who are unfamiliar with the intricacies of family court may not know the difference between a custody Guardian ad Litem (or custody evaluator) and a GAL that is appointed in a child welfare/protective services case. This session will focus on custody issues affecting battered immigrants, with a special emphasis on the concept and role of the custody evaluator (GAL).

*Jennifer Rose, Sonya Parras-Konrad*

### **Salon E**

#### **COMMUNITY, ORGANIZING TO MAKE CHANGE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SYSTEMS (PART I)**

This workshop will be led by community organizers and advocates that work within systems and outside of systems to make changes for the immigrant women they work with. This workshop will highlight collaborations and strategies that have mobilized members of churches, law enforcement, statewide coalitions to take proactive roles in coming up with solutions to address violence against women in their respective immigrant communities. This workshop will also address key components to organizing and community based advocacy.

*Maria Aloveranga, Aparna Bhattacharyya, Julia Perilla, Danuta Prządka, Alex Orozco, Chinyere Ukabiala*

### **Salon F/G**

#### **LEGAL RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE WORKPLACE (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

The presenters will provide an overview of the employment rights of battered immigrant women including the intersection of employment law and the rights of battered immigrant women. It will also provide a brief overview of several federal and state employment laws and the protections that they provide to immigrant women including the Family and Medical Leave Act, laws that provide for job guaranteed leave for court ordered appearances and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (with a specific focus on national origin, sexual harassment, and sexual assault). The panel will also address the effects of immigration status on employment litigation.

*William Tamayo, Robin Runge*

*Cottonwood*

**ORGANIZING TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN ASIAN PACIFIC ISLAND COMMUNITIES (PART I)**

Part I of this two-part series will highlight promising practices in community organizing within Asian Pacific Island Communities. The focus of Part I will be in South Asian communities. South Asia covers Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Nepal. The complexity of addressing the diversity of the region is challenging. The learning objectives are: 1) to present on current organizing strategies and the results; and 2) to discuss and share lessons that can be applied in other community organizing to make services accessible. This workshop will focus on organizing strategies to reach and offer culturally competent services to immigrant victims in the Asian communities.

*Leni Marin, Sujata Warriar, Chic Dabby, SAKHI, Asian Women Shelter (Queer API Organizing), RAKSHA*

*Boojum*

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (PART I)**

Part I of this session will update conferees on legislative initiatives that affect VAWA and persons eligible for relief under VAWA. Includes updates on: U and T visas, HUD, WISH, streamlining of BOA and immigration courts, VAWA III , LSC restrictions, VAWA fixes, and the CLEAR Act.

*Patty First, Leshye Orloff, Ann Benson, Gail Pendleton*

*Bonsai*

**HOW TO EVALUATE YOUR/OWN PROGRAM? (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop involves collectively planning the evaluation of the impact of the Network and organizations working to end violence against immigrant women. The workshop on evaluation will reflect the scope of work performed by various organizations, which include domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, and the continuum of violence against immigrant women.

*Rachel Rodriguez, Mieko Yoshibama, Naval Ammar*

*Salon H*

**INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL ABDUCTION: PREVENTION AND RESPONSE FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS**

The purpose of this workshop is to expose advocates to the risk factors associated with parental abduction and inform them as to how to educate their clients regarding the following: 1) how to prevent abductions; 2) how to best prepare and respond to an abduction—what information to have available, etc.; 3) how to respond to abduction. The workshop will also address the legal remedies available to left-behind parents seeking the return of their internationally abducted children. Finally, the workshop will address how the Hague Convention, in its application in the U.S. and elsewhere, frequently fails victims of domestic violence.

*Pamela M. Brown*

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

**BREAK**

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**MORNING WORKSHOPS CONTINUED:**

**Salons A/B/C**

**Q&A ON U'S AND T'S WITH DHS FOLKS**

This course teaches you how to actually put together the U and T visa application. It will also give the participants a chance to have questions answered with Department of Homeland Security (Formerly INS).  
*Sally Kinoshita, Walt Laramie, Laura Dawkins, George Murphy*

**Salon D**

**CUSTODY EVALUATORS (GALS) AND OTHER CUSTODY ISSUES AFFECTING BATTERED IMMIGRANTS (NON-UCCJA/UCCJEA) CASES PART II**

In this session, legal advocates and attorneys will work on some scenarios regarding the use of custody evaluators and the custody evaluator report in a contested custody battle involving a battered immigrant.  
*Jennifer Rose, Sonya Parras-Konrad*

**Bonsai**

**LEARNING FROM THE PAST, SHAPING THE FUTURE: THE HONORING OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF VAWA (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop session will focus on learning attendees' views on the effect that the Violence Against Women Act has had on immigrant victims. The information gathered in this workshop will assist the Office on Violence Against Women at the Department of Justice in planning the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VAWA.  
*Condencia Brade*

**Salon E**

**COMMUNITY, ORGANIZING TO MAKE CHANGE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SYSTEMS PART II (Repeat)**

This part of the workshop will allow you to get into groups and practice the skills learned in the first part of the workshop. You answer questions like: Have group identify communities where they live? How would they work towards building community allies and organizers? Etc.  
*Maria Alveranga, Aparna Bhattacharyya, Julia Perilla, Virginia Ortega/Raquel Sotelo, Alex Orozco, Chinyere Ukabiala*

**Salon F/G**

**WORKPLACE ISSUES (PART II) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

In this workshop there will be an active question and answer period as well as a discussion of the practical implications of the laws discussed in Workplace Issues Part I  
*William Tamayo, Robin Runge*

**Cottonwood**

**ORGANIZING TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN ASIAN PACIFIC ISLAND COMMUNITIES (PART II)**

This workshop focuses on using the skills learned in Part I of Asians Organizing.  
*Sujata Warrior, Leni Marin, Chic Dabby, API Safety Center, Hawaii Domestic Violence Clearing House, Filipino Organizing in Alaska, MANAVI*

**Boojum**

**LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY 101 (PART II)**

This session will focus on Federal Government advocacy, including Congress and Federal agencies. Topics covered will include: an overview of the Congressional process, effective advocacy for Congress and Federal agencies, how to make yourself heard, and types of advocacy you can do if your organization receives LSC funds or is otherwise restricted.  
*Patty First, Leshye Orloff, Grace Huang*

**Salon H**

**INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL ABDUCTION: PREVENTION AND RESPONSE FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS (PART II)**

The purpose of this workshop is to expose advocates to the risk factors associated with parental abduction and inform them as to how to educate their clients. The workshop will address the legal remedies available to left-behind parents seeking the return of their internationally abducted children, including the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. Finally, the workshop will address how the Hague Convention, in its application in the United States and elsewhere, frequently fails victims of domestic violence.

*Pamela Brown*

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**LUNCH**

*Regional Network Sessions 1:30-2:30PM.*

See Registration Packet Flyer for Room Information

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS:**

**Salons B/C**

**CANCELLATION OF REMOVAL**

This session provides training on representation of immigrant victims in cancellation of removal cases.

*Grace Huang, Andrea Parra, Rosa Fragoso, Liz Newman*

**Salon A**

**CHILD PROTECTION AND FAMILY LAW ISSUES FACING BATTERED MOTHERS: FINDING WAYS TO ASSIST CLIENTS TO GET THE MOST OUT OF BOTH SYSTEMS (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will provide training to participants about how to effectively advocate for battered women and children involved in both the child protection and family court systems.

*Fran Gau, Paulani Enos*

**Salon H**

**BASIC IMMIGRATION CONSEQUENCES OF CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS in SPANISH**

This workshop will discuss how immigrant victims can be harmed when they become involved in the criminal justice system as defendants. It will also discuss safety planning for immigrant victims to determine whether they can safely cooperate in the prosecution of their abuser.

*Graciela Martinez*

**Salon E**

**ADVANCED ADVOCACY AND ORGANIZING (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will cover some of the changes advocates can make within systems and outside systems. This will cover creative protective orders, working with law enforcement, and within the community. It will also cover strategies for building coalitions with systems and community advocates and organizers.

*Aparna Bhattacharyya, Mily Trevino Saucedo, Bix Gabriel, Maria Jose Fletcher, Shalini Somayaji*

**Salon F/G**

**NON-PROFIT MANAGEMENT: CREATING CHANGE STARTING WITHIN**

During this workshop we will explore: 1) Being as effective as possible in order to create the maximum impact with the available resources. 2) Maintaining their own sense of self, and enjoying their life in the face of the incredible needs of their constituents and cause. This session will also include key components on leadership, work – life balance, and bringing our best selves to the work we do.

*Jessica Hartung*

**Cottonwood**

**BIA -RECOGNITION AND ACCREDITATION (PART I)**

Trained non-lawyers can receive recognition and accreditation to represent immigrant victims in immigration cases before the Department of Homeland Security. This workshop discusses the accreditation process. Participants will learn how they and others at their agency can become accredited representatives who can represent battered immigrants in self-petitioning cases.

*Jack Holmgren, Lyn Kirkconnel*

**Salon D**

**LAWYERING FOR SOCIAL CHANGE**

What does it mean to go beyond your normal role as a lawyer? How do you advocate within your organization to serve the larger immigrant population? What happens when you work at an LSC organization? This panel discussion will answer these questions and more in an informal, question-and-answer setting, presented by lawyers who do leadership training, educating, and practice, within their organizations and their communities.

*Gretchen Hunt, Lea Webb, Joyce Noche, Amanda Baran, Gail Pendleton, Annie Benson*

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

**BREAK**

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS CONTINUED:**

**Salon B/C**

**EDUCATING AND WORKING WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS**

This workshop will discuss how advocates and attorneys can work effectively with the criminal justice system to ensure that immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking can apply for T and U visas.

*Gail Pendleton, Annie Benson, Sonia Parras Konrad, Grace Huang, Mary Day*

*Salon A*

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*Salon H*

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*Lynn Marcus*

*Salon E*

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*Salon F/G*

**NON-PROFIT MANAGEMENT: CREATING CHANGE STARTING WITHIN (PART II)**

In this workshop we will discuss specific topics, tools, and exercises from Part I of the workshop.

*Jessica Hartung*

*Cottonwood*

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*Jack Holmgren*

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7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **YOGA AND MEDITATION**  
*Bonsai* *Annie Benson, Jessica Hartung*

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST**

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **MORNING PLENARIES:**

## ***Boojum***

### **PLENARY I: WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND IMMIGRATION AS HUMAN RIGHTS (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This will showcase current examples of utilizing the human rights framework that address community organizing, gender based asylum, and changing cultural attitudes efforts to end violence against women. Presenters will discuss how they are using human rights in their work and give examples of their success.

*Leni Marin, Julia Perilla, Karen Musalo, Charlotte Lapsansky*

## ***Salon D***

### **PLENARY II: CHANGING HOW WE SERVE IMMIGRANT VICTIMS (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This plenary will address the continuum of violence faced by immigrant women and how advocacy programs have met these challenges through innovative and groundbreaking work by developing programs that are truly responsive to their multi-faceted needs. Several programs that are doing innovative work with immigrant women in the area DV/SA/trafficking will be showcased and innovative strategies shared.

*Leslye E. Orloff, Sujata Warriar, Aisha Deshmukh, Rachel Rodriguez, Norma Timbang, Mily Trevino Saucedo*

## ***Salon E***

### **PLENARY III: WORKING WITH IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

Panel presentation on what advocates, attorneys, and organizations are doing in this current environment to bring about long-term social change. Examples of projects across the country will be presented.

*Gail Pendelton, Faculty*

10:30a.m– 11:00 a.m. **BREAK**

11:00a.m –12:30 p.m. **MORNING WORKSHOPS:**  
( see next page )

**Ironwood**

**DEVELOPING NEW LEADERSHIP ON IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ISSUES (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will explore the challenges emerging immigrant leaders may face in doing violence against women work. The workshop will also explore opportunities for growth and change in their respective organizations.

*Aparna Bhattacharyya, Amanda Baran, Mily Trevino Saucedo, Joyce L. Noche*

**Salon E**

**BUILDING GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY SKILLS (PART I)**

Workshop providing skills building on grassroots organizing in immigrant communities to counter anti-immigrant policies and to promote protection for immigrant victims.

*Gail Pendelton, Annie Benson, Kiersten Stewart*

**Salon D**

**RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT ADVOCACY AND LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF IMMIGRANT VICTIMS**

This workshop will discuss the range of options open to immigrant victims to help fund advocacy, services and legal representation of immigrant victims

*Leslye Orloff*

**Bonsai**

**BENEFITS IN SPANISH**

This workshop will provide a basic overview of immigrant access to public benefits and address the following issues: Who is a qualified immigrant? What benefits can qualified immigrants receive? What benefits can all immigrants receive without regard to their status? How can a battered immigrant become a qualified immigrant? When can qualified immigrants access Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Food Stamps, Medicaid and Supplemental Security Income Benefits (SSI)?

*Cecilia Olavarria*

**Boojum**

**WOMENS RIGHTS AS HUMAN RIGHTS WORKSHOP**

This workshop will contextualize the intersection of immigrant and women's rights within a human rights framework and explore the building of sustainable partnerships in communities.

*Leni Marin, Julia Perilla, Karen Musalo, Charlotte Lapsansky*

**Salon B/C**

**ADDRESSING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY**

This workshop will be a facilitated, interactive discussion to identify needs, resources, and collaboration strategies to provide services to women in the Caribbean community. Participants for this session should have some familiarity with the Caribbean community.

*Christine Marriott, Condencia Brade*

**Salon H**

**WORKING WITH REFUGEE VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN**

This workshop will explore how different organizations have developed or adapted services to meet the needs of refugee women who are affected by domestic violence and sexual assault. It will also discuss how to promote leadership of refugee women. The presenters are all refugee women who are activists in addressing violence against refugee women.

*Awaz Jabari, Inez Pecubic, Danuta Prządka, Dilkhaz Ahmed*

**Salon A**

**ONE ON ONE ASSISTANCE PREPARING APPLICATIONS FOR BIA ACCREDITATION**

Faculty will be available during this workshop to help those interested in applying for BIA accreditation in completing applications.

*Jack Holmgren*

**Salon F/G**

**CHILD PROTECTION AND FAMILY LAW ISSUES FACING BATTERED MOTHERS: FINDING WAYS TO ASSIST CLIENTS TO GET THE MOST OUT OF BOTH SYSTEMS**

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*Fran Gau, Paulani Enos*

**Cottonwood**

**HHS/DOJ POLICY GUIDANCE ON IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO BENEFITS (PART I) (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

The first half of this workshop will discuss the rights of people who don't speak English as they relate to civil rights statutes, specifically focusing on law enforcement.

*Deeana Jang, Michael Leoz, Linda Quash*

12:30 p.m.– 2:00 p.m. **LUNCH**

2:00 p.m.– 3:15 p.m. **AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS:**

**Bonsai**

**IMMIGRATION MOTIONS AND APPEAL**

This advanced immigration workshop will provide training on immigration proceedings motions and appeals practice.

*Sally Kinoshita, Liz Newman, Matt Adams, Warren McBroom, Rebecca Story*

**Salon E**

**BUILDING GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY SKILLS (PART II)**

Workshop providing skills building on grassroots organizing in immigrant communities to counter anti-immigrant policies and to promote protection for immigrant victims.

*Gail Pendelton, Annie Benson*

**Salon D**

**USING THE MEDIA AS AN OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION TOOL (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will explore the different ways in which immigrant and refugee organizers and advocates have used media to mobilize and educate their respective communities. This workshop will also highlight how media can be used in making change within communities. You will see the different videos that were developed by the presenters.

*Aparna Bhattacharyya, Bix Gabriel, Maria Jose Fletcher, Charlotte Lapsansky*

**Boojum**

**HHS/DOJ POLICY GUIDANCE ON IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO BENEFITS (PART II)**

The second half of this workshop will discuss immigrant access to health and social services.

*Deeana Jang, Michael Leoz, Linda Quash*

**Salon A**

**LATINAS SHARING MODELS OF ORGANIZING in Spanish**

This workshop will be led by Latina community organizers and will focus on key components in organizing. This workshop will also highlight how Latinas have organized around domestic violence, sexual assault, sexual harassment in the workplace; address violence against women in queer Latina communities, leadership building and systems change.

*Julia Perilla, Juana Flores, Sylvia Strong, Mercy Morton*

**Ironwood**

**GENDER-BASED ASYLUM**

This workshop will provide an overview of gender based asylum and the filing of applications for gender based asylum on behalf of immigrant victims of violence against women.

*Karen Musalo*

**Salon B/C**

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**Salon F/G**

**THROUGH A CHILD'S EYES: CHILDREN, WOMEN AND VIOLENCE IN IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES**

This workshop will be in the form of a roundtable in order to begin to understand and analyze the intersections of issues around children and adult survivors. It will begin by a series of questions, which will be posed by the facilitators. It is hoped that the discussion will help us formulate the network's position on the issues as well as create a network of advocates, survivors and others to help design and advocate for immigrant issues at various levels.

*Jennifer Rose, Condencia Brade, Paulani Enos, Sujata Warriar*

**Salon H**

**QUE DICES? ENPODERAMIENTO o OPRESIÓN in Spanish**

This is a one and a half hour roundtable discussion to identify and examine how sayings/proverbs(dichos/refranes) can be used to empower and/or oppress feelings and affect behaviors in individuals. Dichos are said to make a point and are used to make a cultural connections with another individual. They provide new insights on situations and different perspectives on life. Dichos such as "Es mejor andar sola que mal acompañada" and "de favor te abrazan y quiereres que te aprieten" will be examined. This discussion will be done in Spanish using Spanish proverbs.

*Rosa Linda Garcia Gusman, LMSW*

**Cottonwood**

**BUILDING EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION TO RESPOND TO VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING**

This interactive workshop will feature a panel of providers currently working with trafficked persons that will provide practical guidance for advocates wanting to create collaborative efforts to respond to victims of trafficking. The workshop will work with participants to problem solve around common collaboration issues.

*Leni Marin, Olga Trujillo, Tapestri, CAST, Norma Timbang*

3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

**BREAK**

3:45 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS CONTINUED**

**Bonsai**

**STOPPING REMOVAL**

This workshop will provide a forum for discussing strategies and options in representing clients with prior removal orders or who are currently facing removal.

*Liz Newman, Matt Adams, Sally Kinoshita, Warren McBroom, Rebecca Story*

**Salon D**

**IMMIGRATION 101 FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT ADVOCATES (Spanish Interpretation Offered)**

This workshop will provide an overview of immigration law options of immigrant sexual assault victims and will focus particularly on the U visa for crime victims and the T visa for trafficking victims.

*Gail Pendleton, Sonia Parras Konrad, Lydia Guy, Chinyere Ukubiala*

*Cottonwood*

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*Boojum*

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*Karen Musalo*

*Salon B/C*

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Faculty will be available during this workshop to help those interested in applying for BIA accreditation in completing applications

*Jack Holmgren*

*Salon E*

**CHILDREN'S ISSUES (PART II)**

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*Jennifer Rose, Condencia Brade, Paulani Enos, Sujata Warrior*