

Understanding the Role of Healthcare Providers in Treating Victims of Workplace Sexual Violence

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast

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Sexual harassment is a pervasive problem impacting the lives of many low wage immigrant women. Women employed in agricultural work and other low wage jobs, like hotel housekeepers, restaurant employees, and factory workers, face sexual violence in the workplace at alarming rates. For these women, sexual harassment ranges from inappropriate touching and comments to rape. These women are often unfamiliar with their rights and are usually non-English speakers, so many never admit to being harassed.

Medical providers play a key role in identifying and treating low wage women who suffer from workplace sexual violence. However, sometimes protocols are not in place to help identify a woman who is suffering from this violence. Since 2003, Esperanza: The Immigrant Women's Legal Initiative has worked to build a collaborative initiative with a range of providers, including healthcare providers, to combat the problem of sexual violence against farmworker and other low wage women. The EEOC and Oregon Law Center have worked with Esperanza since 2006 as a part of the Esperanza National Working Group. Learn more about the problem and what you can do to help reverse an alarming trend.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand the problem, employment laws and the administrative process specific to workplace sexual violence.
2. Understand the role of medical providers for detecting and memorializing information related to workplace sexual harassment, beyond the provision of medical services.
3. Know how to effectively use interpreters.
4. Understand the unique needs faced by indigenous immigrants.
5. Understand the national landscape of activism and the changes that can help reduce workplace violence.

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CONFERENCE DETAILS:

Target Audience: Clinicians, nurses, educators, social workers, health educators, and other healthcare providers and administrators who are involved in the delivery of healthcare services for women. This program will also be of interest to law enforcement personnel, social service professionals and other practitioners who serve migrant populations.

Registration: www.adph.org/alphtn

Cost: There is no cost to view.

Continuing Education: None for this program.

Satellite: C band (analog). Coordinates available upon registration.

Live Webcast: Watch with RealPlayer or Windows Media Player. Test your computer with the "test connection link" at www.adph.org/alphtn.

Audio: Call in to listen over your phone. 1-866-941-6093

On Demand: Available 2-3 business days after the live broadcast from the On Demand page of our website.

Conference Materials: Available approximately one week before the program for registered participants.

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