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Preventing Sexual Violence Conference 2016

Call for abstracts now open

The conference will be held on 25 August 2016 at Birmingham City University.

Abstract submission deadline - Friday 15 April 2016.

Keynote Speakers: Prof. Sandra Walklate (University of Liverpool)
& Prof. Sarah Brown (Coventry University).

The conference organisers invite you to submit abstracts of no more than 250 words. Abstracts will be reviewed and graded for inclusion within either the oral presentation or poster sessions at the conference. We welcome submissions from established and early career academics, current PhD students and those with frontline practitioner experience. Authors will be notified by Friday 22 April 2016.

Conference themes

One way of exploring how best to prevent sexual violence is from a public health perspective. The Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) states that a “public health model strives to prevent harm through identifying and reducing ‘risk factors’ that may contribute to the perpetration of, and victimisation by, sexual abuse.” It also identifies and enhances the “protective factors that may prevent the development of sexually abusive behaviours and vulnerability to victimisation”.

This one-day conference aims to bring together an understanding of what we already know and what we can learn when attempting to prevent sexual violence. We hope to explore this concept from a range of perspectives, and therefore invite practitioners and academics with specialist knowledge to the conference. We aim to foster a dialogue between those researching and working with both perpetrators and victims of sexual violence, providing greater networking opportunities and a platform for knowledge exchange. We hope to encourage delegates with experiences (both perpetrator and victim perspective) in the following areas (list is not exhaustive):

- Domestic violence
- Child sexual exploitation
- Online sexual violence
- Exploitation of sex workers
- Juvenile perpetrators and victims
- Violence perpetrated against and by people with intellectual disability
- Female perpetrators
- Transgender sexual violence
- Sexual violence and the media
- Sexual violence and the family
- Situational violence

If you wish to submit an abstract, please email stephanie.kewley@bcu.ac.uk.

Conference registration

Information regarding how to register for the conference, timetable, venue, prices and more will be made available shortly.