



Sheffield University Interpersonal Violence Research Group is pleased to invite you to our Public Seminar on

## Coercive Control, Violence Against Women, and Culture

on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 (3-4:30 pm) in Lecture Theatre 6, Diamond Building

The seminar will be led by Dr. Lisa Aronson Fontes, Senior Lecturer at the University of Massachusetts. Lisa has worked as a family, individual, and group psychotherapist, and has conducted research in Santiago, Chile, and with diverse people in the United States.

We will be better able to address and eliminate intimate partner violence if we see the problem as an ongoing crime of control—more like a long-term hostage situation than a series of assaults. But how does ethnic culture fit into this understanding of violence against women? Is a violence-free life a universal human right? What should people do when faced with intervening with people from cultures that differ from their own?

After an initial introduction to the topic of coercive control by the presenter, participants will be invited to explore how coercive control intersect s with culture, and what this means for our work. This session is an opportunity for a frank but courteous collective conversation on these sensitive issues

The event is free but registration is essential. To register please follow this link: <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/v7dRunzyB37MtJ043">https://goo.gl/forms/v7dRunzyB37MtJ043</a>