

2014 *In Her Skin* Helping Women Move Forward



Program

- 8:00-9:00** **Registration and Breakfast.**
8:45 am: Smoke Ceremony to open Forum with Rita Liepens, Shaman (Oshawa)
- 9:00-10:00** **Women and HIV: Intersecting Oppressions Putting Women at Risk.**
Presenter: Devorah Garland, WHAI Coordinator, AIDS Committee of Durham Region
- 10:00-10:15** **Aboriginal Tools for Healing from Sexual Abuse** **Presenter:** Rita Liepens, Shaman (Oshawa)
- 10:15-10:30** **Break and Demonstration of Aboriginal Tools.**
- 10:30-12:00** **Feeling Safe Again: Discrimination, Racism and Violence.**
The trauma that results; barriers and stigma; how this increases vulnerability to HIV infection; how women experience stigma *because* of their trauma. How *Trauma Informed Care* contributes to restoring safety.
Presenter: Marvelous Muchenje, Women's Health in Women's Hands (Toronto)
- 12:00-1:00** **Lunch**
12:45: Presentation of AIDS Quilt by Joanne Ashley, Whitby Rotary
- 1:00-2:00** **Session One: An Intentional Process: creating trans-positive space and services.** Including issues around acceptance, language, atmosphere; common misconceptions; trans trauma and responding to it; vulnerability to HIV.
Presenter: Yasmeen Persad, TransPulse (Toronto)
- 2:00-3:00** **Session Two: The Difficult Balance: sex work, drug use, and discrimination/racism.** HIV and sex work; risk and vulnerability; the connection between violence, sex work and drug use. Trauma informed, anti-oppression care tips for service providers.
Presenter: Molly Bannerman (Toronto)
- 3:00-3:20** **Stretching Break**
Presenter: Goodlife Fitness Club for Women
- 3:20-4:30** **Panel: Positive Motherhood.** Topics include reproductive health, fertility and HIV, supports needed for a positive experience, discrimination against HIV positive mothers, stigma, and internalized stigma.
Presenters: Brittany Cameron (HIV positive mother); Jay McGillivray, St Mike's Hospital (Toronto)
- 4:30** **Wrap-up; what's next.**
Presenter: Irania Ledesma, Acting Director, AIDS Committee of Durham Region (Oshawa).
- Closing of AIDS Committee of Durham Region's Two-Day HIV Training.**
Presenter: Aboriginal Elder - Kim Wheatley (Durham Region)