

Crime Victim e-news

Information, events, research & practices for those with an interest in victims of crime.



July 2009

In This Issue

- [Conferences](#)
- [Crime Prevention](#)
- [Domestic Violence](#)
- [Groups](#)
- [Fact Sheets](#)
- [In the Media](#)
- [Legislation](#)
- [Measuring Crime](#)
- [Seminars](#)

Crime Prevention

- [Australia's Approach to Juvenile Justice Must Change](#)
'Mission Australia says diversionary programs designed to keep young people from re-offending can cut rates by more than half and reduce serious offences by close to two-thirds.'
- [Framing Best Practice: National standards for the primary prevention of sexual assault through education](#)
Social Justice and Social Change Research Centre
The research indicates that 'the most useful framework or guiding principles for the field can be achieved by the development of standards for sexual assault prevention education'.
- [Helping Improve Young People's Relationship Skills](#)
Australian Government Media Release
'Through its new Respectful Relationship Program, the Australian Government is investing \$9.1 million over five years to test and evaluate best practice respectful relationships education programs with school-aged young people across the country.'

Subscription

[Click here](#) to subscribe to e-news.

[Click here](#) to be removed from our mailing list.

Domestic Violence

- [Moving Forward: Women's journeys after leaving an abusive relationship](#)
Benevolent Society Report
'The report presents findings from a literature review and qualitative research project undertaken with women who have left a domestic violence relationship and staff who have experience working with these women.'
- [The Disappearing Age: A discussion paper on a strategy to address violence against older women](#)
The Australian Domestic and Family Violence Clearinghouse
The paper includes information on the sexual assault of older women.
- [Time for Action Report](#)
National Council to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children
'The report makes recommendations that tackle unacceptable levels of sexual assault and domestic and family violence in Australia.'

Contributions

Do you have something to contribute to our next issue of e-news?

To suggest upcoming content, please [click here](#).

Fact Sheets

- [Post Traumatic Stress Disorder \(PTSD\)](#)
(USA) National Institute of Mental Health
- [Victim Support Service Fact Sheets](#)
A collection of therapeutic fact sheets for victims of crime.
- [WIRE – Women's Information \(VIC\)](#)
Various fact sheets including: Adolescents who use violence in the home; Anxiety; Depression; Domestic Violence; Sexual Assault; and Stalking.

Suggest a Friend

[Click here](#) to suggest a friend to receive e-news.

Archives

Previous issues of e-news can be found [here](#).

Editor

Please [click here](#) to contact the Editor.

The Editor reserves the right to make the final decision on the content of e-news.

Contacts

Crime Victim e-news is compiled by:

Victim Support Service
11 Halifax Street
ADELAIDE SA 5000

Phone (08) 8231 5626
Fax (08) 8231 5458

www.victimsa.org

In the Media

- [Crime Rate Down, Murders Up](#)
ABC Adelaide report
- [DNA from Local Crimes Checked Against Interpol Database](#)
AdelaideNow report

Legislation

- [The Status of Laws on Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs in Australia](#)
Australian Institute of Criminology
'This paper sets out the laws in Australia governing organised crime gangs and, in particular, outlaw motorcycle gangs (OMCGs).'

Measuring Crime

- [4510.0 - Recorded Crime - Victims, Australia, 2008](#)
Australian Bureau of Statistics
This publication presents national statistics on incidents of victimisation for a selected range of offences recorded by police during the 2008 calendar year.
- [Factors Affecting Perceived Criminality: Evidence from victims of assault](#)
Australian Institute of Criminology
'Recent research shows that not all assaults described in victimisation surveys are considered to be crimes by the victims. This paper investigates this issue and puts forward findings which have implications for the role surveys play in measuring crime.'

Conferences

- [United Against Domestic Violence Conference](#)
24 July 2009, Mount Gambier
Keynote speakers: Dr Elspeth McInnes AM, Dr Peter Mertin and Dr Sarah Wendt. Bookings essential!
- [9th Biennial Rural Social Work Conference - 'Rural Communities Inspiring Social Care'](#)
30-31 July 2009, Bendigo
Australian Association of Social Workers
'This Conference is aimed at practitioners, researchers and policy makers providing an opportunity for all to share their practice wisdom and reflect on their experiences.'
- [AIJA Indigenous Courts Conference](#)
5-7 August 2009, Rockhampton
Australasian Institute of Judicial Administration Inc
Focussing 'on courts with specific procedures for dealing with Indigenous offenders throughout Australia, New Zealand and elsewhere.'
- [The World Society of Victimology's 13th International Symposium on Victimology - 'Victimology and Human Security'](#)
23-28 August 2009, Japan
Hosted by Tokiwa University. Official language: English.
'A weeklong gathering of Victimology scholars, researchers, practitioners, teachers, and students from around the world to examine and discuss current and emerging issues in the field.'
- [Indigenous Young People, Crime and Justice Conference](#)
31 August – 1 September 2009, Sydney
Hosted by Australian Institute of Criminology, NSW Commission for Children and Young People, NSW Attorney-General's Department and the Australian Human Rights Commission.

Groups

- [HOPE Support Group](#)
Mondays (10am to 12pm) starting 20 July 2009
'HOPE is a group which aims to provide women who have experienced sexual violence as children and/or as adults with the opportunity to meet with others in a supportive environment.'

Seminars

- **Women Partners of Men in Domestic Violence Programs**
14 July 2009 (10am to 12 noon), Women's Health Statewide
Catherine Opitz presents key findings that consider the implications for women as victims of domestic violence within offender focused intervention.
RSVP by 7 July 2009 on (08) 8239 9600
- [Shared Parenting & the Domestic Violence Experience Myths & Realities under the Family Law Act](#)
28 July 2009 (9:30am to 3:30pm)
The Southern Domestic Violence Action Group is proud to present a community legal forum which explores the family law courts.
- [ASCA Workshop for Health Professionals – Good Practice for Working with Adults Surviving Child Abuse](#)
June – September in centres across Australia
(1 day duration - 9am to 5pm)
'The training recognises that working with survivors of childhood abuse requires specialised training and that doing such work is challenging for health professionals.'

Victim Support Service makes every effort to provide accurate and useful links in *Crime Victim e-news*, however we cannot guarantee their accuracy, adequacy or relevance. In addition, the existence of a link to another site or resource does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement by Victim Support Service. Victim Support Service accepts no responsibility or liability for any information contained in any site linked to from *Crime Victim e-news*. If you believe a link description or site referenced in *Crime Victim e-news* is inappropriate, please inform the Editor.