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A Series of Informal Discussions of New Research in Social Work

Date: Friday, November 20th

Time: Noon to 1:00pm

Place: 280 Peters Hall, St. Paul Campus, University of Minnesota

Developing Culturally Informed Mental Health Screening for Minnesota's Refugees

Featuring:

Patricia Shannon, Assistant Professor, SSW

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Despite the high rates of exposure to torture and war trauma among refugees in Minnesota, our public health clinics, resettlement agencies and community based organizations do not systematically assess refugees for trauma related mental health symptoms. This presentation will discuss collaboration between the Minnesota State Refugee Health Coordinator, the University of Minnesota and the Center for Victims of Torture. Data will be presented from focus groups conducted with four different ethnic groups toward the goal of developing culturally informed mental health screening tools.

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