



Cordially Invites You To:

"Male-Directed Sexual Violence: Increasing Understanding for a Better Response"





Sexual violence in conflict disproportionately affects women and girls, and it has long been called history's oldest and least condemned crime. Rape as a weapon of war has been used in dozens of conflicts in the last century, and unfortunately this offence knows no geographic or gender boundaries. In fact, the 2013 annual Secretary-General's report on sexual violence in conflict identified wartime rape of men and boys as an increasing problem of concern during conflict. However, very little is known about this crime when it is committed against men and boys and few services currently exist to address the legal, medical, economic and psychosocial needs of male survivors. This two day workshop aims to bring together practitioners from a wide range of disciplines to discuss the scope of this problem and what can be done to prevent and respond to sexual assault against men and boys in the context of conflict.

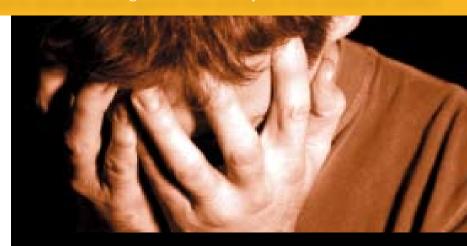
When: 25 and 26 July 2013

Where: Doubletree Metropolitan Hotel. Chrysler Room

559 Lexington Avenue New York, NY USA

Who: Medical and legal practitioners; UN, civil society and NGO representatives; and survivors of conflict-related sexual violence

What: Topics to be discussed include: defining the scope of the problem; multi-sectoral consequences of male-directed sexual violence; gaps in prevention and response; enhancing the legal framework; and research gaps. Please see attached draft programme for additional details.



RSVP to Suhail Khan at khan30@un.org by 6pm EST 12 July 2013. Attendance is required for both days of the workshop. There is no fee for participation in the workshop. For questions contact Suhail Khan at khan30@un.org or (212) 917-1061 or La Neice Collins at collins3@un.org (212) 963-1160.