



“Family Violence Workshop”

Coping Strategies for a Major Social Concern

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When: Saturday, June 2, 2007
Time: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Venue: unknown
Presenter: Jana Smith (coalition on family violence)

Objectives:

Effective early intervention in domestic violence can reduce violence and save lives.

MFNS will address the biggest challenge facing our community that hinders our growth and development. We hope to educate that family violence is abusive behaviour and it can be physical, sexual or psychological. It can also take the form of emotional neglect. Family violence occurs in relationships of kinship, dependency or trust. Individuals can be abused regardless of their age, gender, cultural background, education etc.

We expect that the skills learned through the workshop will provide a better understanding of prevention, protection and treatments that are available within the system.

Furthermore, through this workshop, MFNS hopes to raise awareness among Calgarians/Muslim and make an understanding that we can all play a role in preventing family violence. We, as a community, shall provide support and help the victims, so they can empower themselves and their surroundings to be a positive participant of the larger society. They will develop a shared understanding of the issues and learn about what is needed, and what works. They will learn to articulate shared values and will set common priorities in relation to their families. Lastly, we hope that people leave the workshop more empowered and confident so they can make a difference within themselves and their families.

