

# Working Group on Violence Against Asian Women and Children – Notes – June 8, 2016

## Meeting I “Burning Issues”

**Date:** June 8, 2016

**NOTE:** *The original brainstormed list is available and has been incorporated into this list which groups the items by theme.*

1) Hope that the study will:

- Make the case for more program funding – adequacy, volunteers, transport
- Clarify the role of cultural roles and beliefs/norms
- Sexual violence – few reports to police
  - How to address
- Who asks, how to ask questions to improve reporting
  - E.g. medical does – public health issue
  - Could be a data set (RN has before)
- Content of report
  - Inhibitors – for those that don’t report, how solutions & practices address to inform service providers
    - Of those that do report – anonymous
    - E.g. before sought care do you...think about it, etc.
  - Family dynamics – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> generation perspectives
- Cultural awareness of service providers (cultural competency training)
- Recommend ways to interrupt the cycle of violence – cultural prevention methods very white
- Identify current gaps in services

2) Need for “outreach” into the communities so that we begin to raise awareness and gain entrance into the community, in a way that supports women responding to the prevalence survey and participating in focus groups and interviews.

- Reliable data, sensitive topic – how do you approach the community
  - Careful with language – frame it as a community problem

## MEETING SUMMARY

- 3) Metro and to the extent possible, greater MN
  - Isolation, recent immigrants, refugees, access (or lack of ) to resources, pre-migration trauma
- 4) Branding – engagement – “MN Asian Women’s Health Survey”
- 5) Prevalence survey – quantitative
- 6) In-depth focus groups/interviews – qualitative
- 7) Prevalence Study:
  - Access to administer survey & conduct focus groups/interviews
    - Registries
    - On site via organizations
    - Onsite other locations
    - Ethnic grocery stores emails (Pooja, Grocery, United Noodle)
    - Employer (e.g. Hormel)
    - Asian Economic Development Organizations
    - Purchased samples
  - Prevalence sample
    - Women who received services and not
    - Women who are victimized and not
    - Talking to school counselors, county agencies, or Chamber of Commerce
    - Using employer data
    - Where are they located? (Chai-chat) large apartment complexes
  - Types of Violence
    - Intimate Partner Sexual Violence
    - What do we define as violence as question on survey (individual definition vs community definition)
    - Age, ethnicity, refugee status, immigrant status, years in U.S.
    - Definitions of violence/language
    - Incest
  - Share MN data available from agencies – SEWA
  - Women without status, e.g. Dependents not eligible for county resources
  - Intergenerational differences, mixed families (mixed races)
  - Number of women in more than one abusive situation (Hmong remarriage)
  - Violence perpetrators (include family members)
  - Priority parts of the state – key counties
  - Research Design
    - Sampling methods will be convenience
    - Paper survey with translation
    - Want to see research design detail and timeline
      - E.g. sampling (Zha) subgroup
      - Questionnaire review
  - Visual diagram – re current collaboration partners

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- Faith-based
- Commerce
- Arts
- Education
- Reach out to Asian LGBT – as survey question gender
- Priority ethnic subgroups:
  - Include all – importance of representation

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