

The Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence is pleased to present

MCEDSV

TITLE IX Training

Wednesday & Thursday, August 23- 24

Finlandia University

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.



Training Description

Title IX is a landmark federal civil rights law that prohibits gender discrimination and sexual harassment in educational institutions that receive federal funds. Though enacted in 1972, many institutions could still do much more to appropriately define, understand, and uphold the rights to non-discrimination and safety provisions outlined in Title IX. This training will explain the parameters of sexual assault, domestic and dating violence, and stalking, and will walk trainees through how your institution prohibits and responds to such offenses. In addition, the training will provide learners with information about the laws surrounding Title IX, while also expressing how employees can responsibly, sensitively, and efficiently work to create a healthy learning environment that benefits everyone on campus and upholds those laws.

Schedule & Agenda

Wednesday: Student Leaders Training

located in Finlandia Hall

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Bystander Intervention, Trauma, Mandatory Reporting

Thursday: Title IX Training for RA's and Faculty

located in Jutila Center Room 323

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Understanding Title IX

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Mandatory Reporting vs Confidential Sources

10:00 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.

Intersections and LGBTQ

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Bystander Intervention

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Presenter Biographies



Ana Holguin joined the Coalition as a program specialist in January 2017. Ana received her bachelor's degree in psychology at the University of New Mexico in 2003, and her masters in English at Michigan State University in 2013. She spent over ten years as a college instructor of English, humanities, and writing with a special focus on creative non-fiction, psychoanalytic theory, and feminist theory and practice. After her time in academia, she also worked as a social media and marketing director for an independent publisher of sex, sex ed, and sexuality books.

In addition, Ana is a yoga practitioner and teacher. She works to open safe intersectionally aware community spaces for yoga, and has special training in yoga for eating disorder survivors and other forms of trauma. She is currently leading trauma-informed yoga classes for middle schoolers in Lansing's public schools through Project Peace, and serves as a yoga expert on the Firecracker Foundation's program development committee.

Ana is an artist, writer, dog mom, and feminist pop culture aficionado. All of her roles, major and minor, intertwine and inform one another. Contact Ana at ana.holguin@mcedsv.org



Sarah Prout Rennie, JD, is Executive Director for the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCEDSV). She is instrumental in developing and implementing the MCEDSV statewide policy agenda, which seeks to enhance the response to domestic and sexual violence survivors. Prior to joining the MCEDSV staff, Ms. Rennie was Executive Director for the Michigan Council of Women and Technology (MCWT) whose mission is to advance women and girls in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics)

fields, particularly technology. She is former Executive Director of Blue Water Safe Horizons, Port Huron, and served as Litigation Director for Lakeshore Legal Aid for fifteen years. During Ms. Rennie's time as litigation director, the empowerment philosophy of Lakeshore's representation to domestic violence and sexual assault victims became a nationally recognized model for holistic legal advocacy.

One of Ms. Rennie's most commendable achievements while at Lakeshore Legal Aid, was the successful appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit on a case of first impression that provided survivors of domestic violence, and other victims of crimes, with full immunity from later being sued by the alleged perpetrator for cooperating with law enforcement. [Moldowan v City of Warren et al, 580 F.3d 698 (2009)]. She defended the survivor over more than three years of litigation, protecting the client each step of the way from intrusive and appalling

attempts to discover her sexual history, medical history and to relive the horror of that night to find inconsistencies in her story.

While at Blue Waters Safe Horizons, Ms. Rennie expanded services to seamlessly address the unique issues facing survivors of domestic violence in the Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transsexual community, and presented trainings to attorneys, counselors and advocates on recognizing and removing systemic barriers facing LGBT survivors. In 2009, she began a program to address and prevent domestic violence against women later in life. Ms. Rennie has been a trainer for MCOLES (Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards) on sexual assault and domestic violence since 2009, and is also a FLETC (Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers) certified trainer on elder abuse. She is the author of numerous articles that have been included in the Michigan Family Law Journal on human trafficking, meeting the needs of rural LGBT survivors, elder abuse and child custody and domestic violence. Ms. Rennie's work on economic justice has also been published in the Michigan State Bar Journal and the Management Information Exchange Journal, and her article on the fundamental right to parent was featured in the Wayne State Law Review, fall 2010. Her work with trauma informed care of survivors of violence in the criminal justice system has also been featured in the Wall Street Journal, the Detroit News and on ABC news. Contact Sarah at sarah.proutrennie@mcedsv.org



Merkeb Yohannes, MCEDSV Program Manager. Merkeb joined MCEDSV in 2017 after nearly 10 years of working in advocacy and program management at a non-profit organization serving those with disabilities. Prior to that she lived in Atlanta, Georgia primarily working in social services amongst Immigrant and Refugee families and was an active member of various social justice community groups. Merkeb has vast experience working in developing countries with international non-profit organizations, local governments and faith-based organizations in areas of woman and girl empowerment, grant management, HIV/AIDS

prevention and intervention, media material development for public health issues, and workforce training and development.

As a Lansing resident, she continues to volunteer in her community with local agencies that advocate and support survivors as well as with the Refugee community. Contact Merkeb at merkeb.yohannes@mcedsv.org

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