

Made To Measure *Assessing Approaches to Eliminate Gender Inequity*

An International Symposium ...

The Maritime Centre of Excellence for Women's Health (MCEWH) is hosting an international symposium entitled **MADE TO MEASURE: Assessing Approaches to Eliminate Gender Inequity**. The event will take place at the Westin Hotel in Halifax, Nova Scotia, **October 3 to 6, 1999**. The Purpose of the symposium is to promote women's full participation in Canadian society through enhancing the skills and knowledge required for the mainstreaming of gender equity-based policies, programs and tools. The event is open to diverse groups working in public policy and programming, and includes community based-organizations, women's groups, service providers, community and academic researchers, community and civil leaders and other public policy-makers.

Symposium Objectives include ...

Assessing current knowledge of the impact of using gender equity tools and training materials on public policy formulation;

Identifying current best practices used to assess and evaluate the impact of gender equity analysis on public policy formulation and implementation;

Facilitating dialogue among sectors on research priorities;

Creating national partnerships involving academics, public policy makers and program developers, as well as equity-seeking, community-based women's groups to ensure the full participation of women's voices in the policy process;

Defining mechanisms for meaningful dialogue and strategic decision-making among academics, diverse women's communities, public policy makers and program developers;

Supporting information and knowledge exchange among various sectors and diverse, equity-seeking women's groups and organizations;

Developing strategies for coordinating and evaluating the uptake of gender equity analysis initiatives for responsive public policy, including mechanisms for community consultation and input at key junctures of the policy process, of its interpretation and implementation;

Developing a set of indicators for the impact of gender equity analysis of public policy.

A Call for Participation ... will be issued at the end of February – stay tuned for details to be posted on the MCEWH website and Gender Equity Lens listserve.

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