THE NATIONAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE ON VIOLENCE AND ABUSE

In cooperation with U.S. Senator Kay Hagan, Congresswomen Louise Slaughter, Lucille Roybal-Allard, and Lois Capps

for a Lunch Briefing on

Violence Against Women and Children: Health Impacts Across the Lifespan

Wednesday, April 18th, 12:00-1:30 P.M.

Rayburn House Office Building, Room B339, Capitol Hill, Washington, DC

The National Health Collaborative on Violence and Abuse (NHCVA), a collaborative of 33 national professional health associations is hosting this lunch briefing during Child Abuse Protection Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The goal of the briefing is to raise awareness of the health impacts of violence and abuse across the lifespan and policy opportunities to prevent and address the abuse.

The panel who will speak from personal and professional experience will discuss the need for prevention, to be integrated into the national public health agenda. They will also highlight current policy opportunities, such as the Violence Against Women Act, that address this issue.

- Jeremy A. Lazarus, M.D., Incoming President, American Medical Association (AMA)
- Janet Saul, Ph.D., Deputy Director of the Division of Violence Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Yolanda Haywood, M.D., Associate Dean for Student Affairs, The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences
- F. David Schneider, M.D., M.S.P.H., Representative of the American Academy of Family Physicians and Chair of Family Medicine at St. Louis University School of Medicine (moderator)

In December, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released the first National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS), which found:

- 1 in 5 women have been raped in their lifetime and 1 in 4 women have been the victim of severe physical violence by a partner;
- Over 80% of women who were victimized experienced significant short-term and long-term impacts related to the violence and were more likely to experience Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and long-term chronic diseases such as asthma and diabetes.
Another recent CDC study, The Economic Burden of Child Maltreatment in the United States and Implications for Prevention, found:

- Total lifetime estimated financial costs associated with just one year of confirmed cases of child maltreatment is approximately $124 billion;
- Each death due to child maltreatment had a lifetime cost of about $1.3 million;
- Lifetime cost for each victim of child maltreatment who lived was $210,012, which is comparable to other costly health conditions such as stroke or type 2 diabetes.

For questions or to RSVP for the lunch, please contact Sally Schaeffer, Futures Without Violence, at sschaeffer@futureswithoutviolence.org or 202-595-7384.

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