

New Mexico Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs, Inc. presents:

PREA: When Gender Makes a Difference, Focusing on Incarcerated Females

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PRESENTERS:

- **The Moss Group, Inc. (TMG)** is one of the leading experts in the implementation of the Prison Rape Elimination Act in correctional settings. The Moss Group, Inc. is the prominent consulting firm for working with adult and juvenile female offenders and developing gender responsive services.
Jane Parnell is a consultant with TMG, providing expertise in the areas of women offenders, operations, policy development, and leadership and culture. In 2015, she retired from the Washington State Department of Corrections, where she concluded her career as superintendent at the Washington Corrections Center for Women (WCCW). In her consultant capacity with TMG, she provides training in gender-specific treatment of female offenders, strategic planning, and leadership development. She is also a co-owner of Personal Development Consultants, a private consulting firm providing leadership and management training.
Tina Waldron is a project director with The Moss Group, Inc., where she provides leadership and expertise in areas such as evidence-based correctional practice, leadership development, reentry, mental health, agency and facility assessments (sexual safety, gender responsive practice and culture), and strategic planning. Ms. Waldron's primary responsibilities within The Moss Group include management of assessment, and leadership and strategic planning initiatives. Her work includes, but is not limited to, leading approximately 80 assessments of culture, sexual safety and gender-responsive practice in adult and juvenile systems, providing training and consultation in the areas of sexual safety and gender-responsive practice, and primary management of various strategies (leadership, culture, strategic planning, and training) within multi-year projects.
- **Lindsay Rosenthal** is the co-author of the groundbreaking report, *The Sexual Abuse to Prison Pipeline: The Girl's Story*, which was published through the Georgetown Law Center on Poverty and Inequality in 2015. The report systematically exposes the widespread incarceration of girls of color in America as a direct result of their status as victims of violence. It creates a framework for understanding girls' delinquency as a problem rooted in gender and racial stereotypes and our societal failure to protect girls' safety, well-being and opportunity. The sexual abuse to prison pipeline framework has changed the narrative on girls' incarceration in the United States and has become the impetus for national efforts to reform policies and practices that criminalize survivors of gender-based violence. Lindsay currently works at The Vera Institute as a Senior Program Associate and Gender Justice Fellow.
- **Just Detention International** is the only organization in the world dedicated exclusively to ending sexual abuse behind bars. JDI works to: hold government officials accountable for prisoner rape; promote public attitudes that value the dignity and safety of people in detention; and ensure that survivors of this violence get the help they need. JDI trains staff on sexual abuse prevention and response, educates prisoners about their rights, and creates policies that increase safety for LGBT and other especially vulnerable prisoners. JDI also helps make sure that survivors in detention get the crisis services they need and deserve.
Jessica Serrano Seipel is a Senior Program Officer at JDI. As part of the domestic programs team, Jessica supports community rape crisis centers and corrections agencies in developing partnerships to ensure incarcerated survivors get the help they need. Jessica also supports survivors at a California women's prison by facilitating trauma-informed art workshops. Previously, she worked at rape crisis centers as a trained counselor, domestic violence programs and sexual health agencies across California as an advocate and educator.
Vanessa Sapien is a Senior Program Officer with JDI. As a member of JDI's domestic programs team, she provides training and technical assistance for corrections staff, advocates, and service providers on how to keep prisoners safe from sexual violence. A mental health professional and trained domestic violence and rape crisis counselor, Vanessa has many years of experience helping survivors. She has received numerous awards for her clinical work, including a Presidential Service Award. Vanessa has also been recognized for her work in honoring diversity and social justice in mental health.
Ronnie Shupe is the Community Resources Manager-California Institution for Women. The California Institution for Women (CIW) is one of three facilities that houses adult female felons in California. Approximately 1,800 women reside at CIW of varied custody levels including those with special needs such as pregnancy and psychiatric care. As the Community Resources Manager, Ronnie recruits, coordinates and manages more than 100 self-help and religious services programs including a fleet of 900 community volunteers, contract service providers, staff sponsors and chaplains. Her career with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation spans 20 years, four most recently spent delivering and promoting rehabilitative services to the incarcerated population and serving as a liaison to staff and the community regarding the State of California's mission to rehabilitate offenders to ensure successful re-entry into the community.
- Many local presenters