

Graduate School Seminar Series



Domestic and Family Violence: Responding to the 'not so hidden' epidemic in health systems

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Domestic and family violence is a major public health issue causing high levels of morbidity and mortality, particularly for women of child bearing age. This presentation will give an overview of the problem, demonstrate the need for health systems to step up to the challenge, and outline the research agenda of the NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence for Safer Families.



Kelsey Hegarty is an academic general practitioner who holds the joint Chair in Family Violence Prevention at the University of Melbourne and the Royal Women's Hospital. She leads a Centre of Research Excellence to promote Safer Families, and co-chairs the Melbourne Research Alliance to End Violence against Women (MAEVe). Her research includes the evidence base for interventions to prevent violence against women; educational and complex interventions around identification of domestic and family violence in primary care settings and early intervention with men, women and children exposed to abuse. Interventions are delivered through health care and through the use of new technologies.

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