

Interviews

Healthy and Safe Families

ASPIRE. A Community-based Research Project



Come and Participate

Analysing Safety and Place in Immigrant and Refugee Experience (ASPIRE) is a collaborative research project with the Multicultural Centre for Women's Health, the University of Melbourne and the University of Tasmania. The research takes place in Victoria and Tasmania with the aim to improve family violence responses for families who have immigrated to Australia.

Why participate?

Family violence is a serious issue that affects 1 in 3 women in Australia. It impacts people from all walks of life regardless of income, age, geographic location, sexuality, ethnicity or culture. We would like to learn more about family violence from the experiences and perspectives of women who have migrated to Australia and are concerned about abuse or violence in the family. Together we can assist services in your community to understand your needs and provide better support in a respectful and culturally safe way. Findings from the research will be available to communities, service providers and policy-makers in a range of formats, such as reports, presentations and visual displays to develop culturally-appropriate prevention and support services.

Who will you talk to?

Interviews can be conducted in your own language or in English. Interpreters are available to make communication easy. The choice is yours. Some people might prefer to talk to a bilingual health educator in their own language. Others might prefer to speak to a researcher in English or with an interpreter. Or both! Our aim is to offer a comfortable and safe place for you to speak freely and share your ideas. Interviews or group discussions will take 1-2 hours and you will receive a \$40 Coles Myer voucher as thanks for your time.

What are the types of questions I will be asked?

In the individual interviews, the questions will focus on your ideas about the impact of migration on families, violence against women, gender equality, cultural/community values, experiences with family violence and access to support services. There will also be a questionnaire with questions about factors such as age, family structure cultural background, and immigration status. You do not have to answer all of the questions and can choose how much you would like to share in the interview.

Is my information confidential?

Absolutely. The research team is bound by strict confidentiality requirements. You will be provided with information about your privacy rights. The information you provide in the interview and in the questionnaire will be confidential and will not include your name or any details that identify you. You are able to ask the researchers any questions about confidentiality to ensure that you are comfortable with participation.

Are you interested?

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