

INVITATION

Corporate Relations Division

cordially invites you to attend an awareness seminar on

CHILD PORNOGRAPHY = THE VIOLATION OF CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

in commemoration of Human Rights Month

Venue: Howard College Theatre, Howard College, Durban

Date: 31 March 2016

Time: 12h30 – 14h00

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LECTURE OUTCOMES:

The seminar seeks to sensitise students, educators, parents and the community about children's rights, and to protect children from pornography through the use of the legislative framework drawn from the Bill of Rights, Convention on the Rights of the Child, the trafficking legislation, the Constitution as well as the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child.

Presenters will explore the identified four areas of concern as discussed by the Law Reform Commission in 2015:

- Access to or exposure of a child to pornography and child pornography (child abuse material);
- Creation and distribution of child pornography (child abuse material);
- Explicit self-images created and distributed by a child (sexting); and
- Grooming of a child and other sexual contact crimes associated with or facilitated by pornography.

SPEAKERS:

Ms Dumisile Nala (National Executive Officer: Childline South Africa)

Ms Nala's professional background is in Social Work. After graduating from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, she worked for Childline KwaZulu-Natal for a period of 4 years. She started as a Social Worker and when she left the organisation, she was the Assistant Director. Ms Nala then relocated to the United Kingdom where she worked and lived for a period of 8 years. During this period, Ms Nala gained extensive knowledge on child protection, child mental health, foster care, and adoption.

In 2008 Ms Nala moved to South Africa and worked for Childline National Office as the Assistant National Director. In May 2009 she became the Chief Executive Officer of Childline South Africa. She currently holds this position. Ms Nala is a proud mother of two children, Siphesihle & Bandile Nala.

Dr Monique Emser

Dr Emser is affiliated with the Department of Public Law at the University of the Free State as a research associate. A passionate anti-trafficking activist, she has been a member of the KZN Human Trafficking, Harmful Traditional Practices, Prostitution, Pornography and Brothel Task Team since 2009. She received her PhD (Political Science) from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, where she also worked as a lecturer in the International and Public Affairs Cluster (2006 – 2013).

Dr Emser has worked as an independent research consultant and is the author of the LexisNexis SA Human Trafficking Awareness Index Reports. She has written and presented a number of papers on human trafficking in South Africa, including the link between child trafficking and online sexual exploitation.

Advocate Dawn Coleman-Malinga (NPA)

Advocate Coleman-Malinga studied at UNISA and has a Master of Laws with specialisation in Commercial Law. She joined the Department of Justice in 1992 and is currently part of the Sexual Offences and Community Affairs Unit (SOCA) within the National Prosecuting Authority. She has been a prosecutor for 18 years and has specialised in criminal law (sexual offences, trafficking in persons and child pornography). She currently chairs the Human Trafficking, Prostitution, Pornography and Brothels Task Team in KwaZulu-Natal and is part of the National Trafficking in Persons task team for the National Prosecuting Authority. Advocate Coleman-Malinga has been actively involved in the drafting of the training manual, directives and charge sheets for the National Prosecuting Authority and has been travelling countrywide training prosecutors on the new TIP Act.

Ms Thora Mansfield (Open Door Crisis Care Centre)

Ms Mansfield is the Director and founder of The Open Door Crisis Care Centre, a "one stop" multifaceted, multi-disciplinary non-profit organisation established in 1997 to address serious issues in all forms of violence against women and children. The Centre is recognised as a leader, both nationally and internationally, working in the field of human trafficking. Their shelter Ikhaya Le Themba is the first shelter in KwaZulu-Natal to gain accreditation and is recognised as a best practise for victims of trafficking and all forms of abuse. Thora is known for lobbying for better service provision, fighting injustice and anti-human rights issues. Over 100 000 men, women and children have received counselling, social services and support in their times of crisis and trauma. Thora has won 18 awards for recognition of her work and has been sponsored to travel to the UK, America, Cambodia, Bangkok and Singapore to seek best practises.