

Dear Mr. Enright,

Re: Invitation to Expert Group Meeting on Humanistic Integrative Approaches to Addressing Gender Based Violence: Overcoming Trauma through Physical, Psychological and Spiritual Healing.

On behalf of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), we are pleased to invite you to an Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on *Humanistic Integrative Approaches to Addressing Gender Based Violence:* Overcoming Trauma through Physical, Psychological and Spiritual Healing to be held on 29-30 September 2014 at the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Headquarters in New York, United States.

The discussions will center on the great need to support survivors and victims of violence with a more holistic approach - namely one that aims at supporting physical, psychological and spiritual healing - to overcome trauma. The main objectives of the meeting will be to present state-of-the-art on humanistic integrative approaches to address trauma and post-trauma caused by gender-based violence, including on conflict and post-conflict situations. In addition, the meeting will aim to identify intervention models to deal with victims and survivors of gender-based violence and agree on next steps for implementation of such approaches.

UNFPA will cover hotel accommodation (3 nights) at the UN rate in New York, the most economic airfare Wisconsin/New York/Wisconsin (according to UNFPA rules and regulations for travel) and, terminal expenses. Please note that UNFPA does not accept responsibility for death, illness or injury sustained by participants. In addition, receipt by participant of travel costs and allowances from UNFPA should not constitute acceptance of any such responsibility. Participants should arrange for their own medical and accident insurance coverage.

We kindly request you to confirm your participation before 14 July 2014 to Ms. Leyla Sharafi at sharafi@unfpa.org and Ms. Maria Ana Alarcon at alarcon@unfpa.org.

We would greatly benefit from your rich experience in this field of work and hope you can join us.

ours sincerely

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