

## A Series of Masterclasses

# Supporting an unplanned pregnancy

Organised by the  
Department of Adult and Community Education,  
National University of Ireland Maynooth

in conjunction with  
HSE Crisis Pregnancy Programme



**The aim of these Masterclasses is to create an opportunity for professionals to gain more in-depth knowledge and skills to resource them in managing the challenges that present around unplanned pregnancy.**

The Masterclasses will provide a supportive and informative space for dialogue and reflection to help to strengthen professionals' work in the broad field of crisis pregnancy. Opportunities will be created for participants to share experiences and knowledge.

### **Who is it for?**

If you encounter unplanned pregnancy in the course of your professional life, and have some responsibility for supporting people who find themselves in this situation. This may include, for example, teachers, doctors, nurses, social workers, therapists, chaplains, all pastoral care workers, youth workers, volunteers.

Recognised for 4.5 CPD points by the Irish College of General Practitioners

### **When?**

#### **Masterclass 1**

10am – 4.30pm 28th September 2012

#### **Masterclass 2**

10am – 4.30pm 19th October 2012

#### **Masterclass 3**

10am – 4.30pm 16th November 2012

#### **Masterclass 4**

10am – 4.30pm 7th December 2012

### **Where?**

NUI Maynooth – the venue details to be confirmed

Facilitator: Anne McCarthy, Department of Adult and Community Education, NUI Maynooth

Fee: €30 per Masterclass (light lunch included)

### **Masterclass 1**

#### **Termination – responding to a complex issue**

**28th September 2012, 10.00am – 4.30pm**

The termination of pregnancy is a complex issue. Professionals who encounter this issue with their clients need clear information and guidelines as well as an opportunity to discuss and clarify thoughts and feelings about termination of pregnancy. Sherie de Burgh, One Family, will present this Masterclass. She has many years of experience with clients regarding pregnancy and parenting. She brings an in-depth knowledge, compassion and empathy to this topic.

### **Masterclass 2**

#### **The role of the father in an unplanned pregnancy, where is he?**

**19th October 2012, 10.00am – 4.30pm**

The role of the father in Irish society can be complex. There are many anomalies in Irish law that make it difficult for a father to participate fully in his child's life, especially in the context of unplanned pregnancy. Fergus Hogan, WIT, will present his research concerning men's experience of unplanned pregnancy and pregnancy loss. This research challenges perceptions of men, and particularly men in relation to unplanned pregnancy, termination of pregnancy and their own sexuality.

### **Masterclass 3**

#### **The minor and unplanned pregnancy – the law and child protection**

**16th November 2012, 10am – 4.30pm**

This Masterclass will explore the complex area of supporting minors with an unplanned pregnancy and will address the legal issues involved. The legal responsibilities concerning child protection issues will be covered while simultaneously recognising the need to provide the best care for the young person. Jenny Bulbulia, BL will address the legal issues involved in working with minors. Anne McCarthy will facilitate the group to explore the implications of the legal requirements in their work.

### **Masterclass 4**

#### **Young migrants and ethnic minority women in Ireland – sexual wellbeing and unplanned pregnancy**

**7th December 2012, 10am – 4.30pm**

This Masterclass will address the issue of supporting migrant and ethnic minority women in Ireland with an unplanned pregnancy. Dr Catherine Conlon, TCD, will present her research (2012) which explores the cultural complexity in engaging with sexuality and unplanned pregnancy for migrant and ethnic minority women. Alwiye Xusein, AkiDwA, Dublin will present her experience of working directly with migrant women.

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<p><b>There will be a maximum of 25 people in each class so applications will be taken on a first come first served basis. EARLY BOOKING IS ADVISABLE.</b></p>	
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Places can be reserved by completing this Application Form and returning with payment to:  
Mary Corbally, Tel 01 708 3784, Email mary.e.corbally@nuim.ie  
Department of Adult and Community Education, NUI Maynooth, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Cheques should be payable to: Dept. of Adult and Community Education.

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