



Study of Violence Against Asian Women and Children in Minnesota Fact Sheet

The Working Group on Violence Against Asian Women and Children is a legislatively mandated group that aims to assess the prevalence of violence among Asian women in Minnesota as well as to determine the current processes and services available, with an eye on identifying gaps.

The working group is led by Minnesota Department of Health, Center for Health Equity in partnership with Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans (CAPM), Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS), and Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS). For more information about the working group, including legislation and information about the study, go to [Working Group on Violence Against Asian Women and Children](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/che/violence/index.html) (<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/che/violence/index.html>)

Working Group on Violence Against Asian Women and Children

Authority: 2015 Minn. Laws Chap. 71 Art. 8 Sec. 58

Function: To study the nature, scope, and prevalence of violence against Asian women and children in Minnesota, including domestic violence, trafficking, international abusive marriage, stalking, sexual assault, and other violence.

Rainbow Research, Inc., a research and evaluation nonprofit in Minneapolis was awarded the contract to lead this legislative study. The study includes collecting both quantitative and qualitative data:

- ***A survey of Asian women in Minnesota.***
- ***Interviews with key experts in the field.***
- ***Focus groups with women who have a deep insight on the issues, the socio-cultural context of Asian ethnic groups in Minnesota, and particularly the barriers Asian women face in accessing services.***

Data collection will occur during October 2016 with preliminary results shared at the November 30 working group meeting, which is open to the public. A final report will be completed by the end of December 2016.

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