

## STATEWIDE MULTICULTURAL YOUTH ISSUES NETWORK (SMYIN)

How will a Youth Work Code of Ethics impact on  
your work with multicultural young people?

# Have Your Say

### DATE

Thursday 28 June 2007

### TIME

9.00am-12.30pm

### VENUE

#### Co-As-It

189 Faraday Street  
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### RSVP

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By **Friday 22 June**

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**The Centre for Multicultural Youth Issues (CMYI) would like to invite you to the second Statewide Multicultural Youth Issues Network (SMYIN) Meeting for 2007. The meeting will provide an opportunity for those working in the multicultural youth sector to discuss the introduction of a Code of Ethical Practice for youth workers in Victoria.**

Earlier this year, the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria released a [Draft Code](#), and discussions held at the recent National Youth Conference (Are we there yet?) indicate that Victoria may follow the lead of states such as Western Australia in introducing a Code of practice.

*"A Code will provide workers and agencies with a statement of both ethical principals, workers boundaries and practices giving us a guide that outlines a set of values to inform our professional practice" (Child Safety Commissioner October 2006)*

This SMYIN Meeting will be an opportunity to have your say and be included in the final consultation on the draft code of ethics. This forum will be an opportunity to consider and debate;

- **What will a Code mean for those working cross-culturally; and does the Draft Code address our cross cultural practices?**
- **How young people from refugee or migrant backgrounds are described in the Youth Workers Code of Ethics**

Time will be allocated for networking and the introduction of new projects. If you would like to inform the group of a new project or a current youth issue/campaign, please call Diana or Bronwyn on 9340 3700. Network participants are encouraged to bring information about their services to the meeting for distribution.

### SPEAKERS

Bernie Geary, *Child Safety Commissioner*  
Jen Rose, *Youth Affairs Council of Victoria*  
Tim Corney, *Centre for Post Compulsory Education, University of Melbourne*  
Heather Stewart, *Youth Studies, Australian Catholic University*  
Nancy Badr, *Youth Services Team Leader, South Eastern Region Migrant Resource Centre*