

MEDIA ADVISORY
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Southwest PA Says NO MORE to Report on Region's Efforts to End Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault at 2020 Annual Meeting

Program will feature Keynote on Pornography, Teens and Dating and Sexual Violence by Emily Rothman, a leading public health scholar

WHAT:

Southwest Pa Says No More will show its teal pride leading up to NO MORE Week with its annual meeting and report to the community on Wednesday, March 4. The 2020 program will highlight local prevention work and further collaboration with more than 25 partner agencies in creating a world free from domestic violence and sexual assault.

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Keynote speaker Emily Rothman will discuss her experiences as a researcher and porn literacy practitioner, and the impact of sexually explicit media on adolescent relationships. Dr. Rothman is the co-author of "The Truth About Pornography: A Curriculum To Reduce Dating and Sexual Violence," the forthcoming book "Pornography and Public Health," and multiple research articles on youth and pornography.

Southwest PA Says No More is a regional initiative led by FISA Foundation, The Heinz Endowments and United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania. Its prevention programs include Coaching Boys Into Men (CBIM), Father's Day Pledge to End Gender Violence, #RealTalk for Healthy Preteen Relationships, and Voices In Prevention.

WHEN: Wednesday, March 4, 2020, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Highlights of local work on prevention

3 p.m. - 4 p.m. Keynote: Pornography, teens, and dating and sexual violence

4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Response panel and discussion

4:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Reception

WHERE: University of Pittsburgh – William Pitt Union Ballroom

3959 Fifth Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15213 **RSVP:** https://swpasnm2020.eventbrite.com

Early bird \$25 until Feb. 26; \$35 thereafter. Scholarships are available.

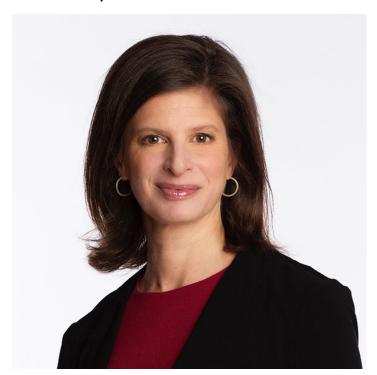
Note to editors & reporters: The media are welcome to attend the annual meeting and keynote. To register or to arrange interviews in advance, please contact Tina Richardson at 412-642-7700, trichardson@elias-savion.com.

About Southwest PA Says No More

Southwest PA Says NO MORE is a growing community of organizations and individuals who are working to end domestic and sexual violence. FISA Foundation, in partnership with The Heinz Endowments and United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania, developed Southwest PA Says No More to showcase the important prevention-focused work happening in this region, and to make it easier for individuals and organizations to take action to stop gender-based violence. More than 25 organizations across the region have partnered with Southwest PA Says No More, including the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh, YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh, and UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

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Photo - Dr. Emily Rothman



Emily F. Rothman, ScD, MS, is a Professor at the Boston University School of Public Health. She has authored more than 100 publications that span the areas of intimate partner violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, firearm violence, and pornography. She has been a PI or co-investigator on numerous NIH and NIJ research grants and worked closely with multiple state sexual assault and domestic violence coalitions, state health departments, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on issues related to violence prevention. Dr. Rothman is a former batterer intervention program counselor, domestic violence shelter worker, and the former director of batterer intervention program services for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. She is an appointed member of the Massachusetts Governor's Council on Sexual and Domestic Violence.