

The National Drug Research Institute invites you to

Substance use and other risk factors for vulnerable populations in sexual services

Free public seminar with

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2pm

National Drug Research Institute Seminar Room
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It is estimated that about 20,000 people engage in sex work in Bangkok. A large number of them use drugs and alcohol and are at risk for HIV/STIs. Female sex workers (FSWs) and transgender (Kathoey) sex workers (KSWs) constitute the majority of sex workers and their HIV risk is elevated by their substance use. This presentation focuses on the process of collecting scientific data in substance use and HIV prevention for FSWs and KSWs, based on collaborative studies conducted by Thai and U.S. researchers from 2004-2011.

Dr Usaneya Perngparn is Assistant Dean of College of Public Health Sciences and Head of the Drug Dependence Research Centre at the WHO Collaborating Centre for Research and Training in Drug Dependence, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok. She is also Assistant Secretary and an active member of the Administrative Committee of Substance Abuse Academic Network (ACSAN), Office of Narcotics Control Board, Thailand. She is keen on data management and synthesis on drug/substance abuse surveys. Her research interests are in the areas of drug/substance use, alcohol and public health especially HIV in vulnerable populations such as juvenile delinquents, sex workers, MSM and IDU.

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