

# Older Women Ageing Safely in NSW: Progress, Pitfalls and Strategies in Preventing Violence Against Older Women 2008-2010

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Two years ago (February 2008) OWN NSW held a forum 'Age Gives No Immunity to Violence'. The forum provided the impetus for OWN NSW to launch a series of projects: to research and map what we know about violence and older women (described in the report 'The Disappearing Age'); to engage General Practitioners and a range of sectors in a collaborative approach to identify and support older women being abused in their homes; and to research the experience of older homeless women.

*The Forum in April 2010 will be an opportunity to report and reflect on the progress achieved and the barriers encountered.*

**Endorsed by Homelessness NSW, TARS (Aged-care Rights Service), The Benevolent Society & The NSW Council of Social Services**

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**Date:** Thursday 29 April 2010

**Time:** 9.00-4.00

**Where:** Petersham Town Hall, 107 Crystal Street (nearest cross street Frederick St) Petersham. The art deco styled town hall features a prominent hexagonal clock tower and is hard to miss.

Forum addressed by The Hon. Carmel Tebbutt, Deputy Premier and Minister for Health and The Hon. Jodi McKay, Minister for Women. Speakers include Bridget Penhale, Reader in Gerontology, University of Sheffield, specialists in the field and the voices of older women. **Registration attached.**

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## Parking

Limited parking is available on the street to the side and rear of the Hall.

## Access

Wheelchair access to the Foyers and Hall at the main Front Entrance. Accessible toilet off dining room Hallway. Emergency wheelchair access at side doors.

## Public Transport

Petersham Station is 5 minutes walk follow signs to Marrickville Council. 28, L28 and 445 buses stop on the corner of New Canterbury Roads and Gordon Streets at Petersham. 412 and 445 buses stop at Petersham Station.