



**Justice Now!  
Sexual Assault Awareness  
Yup'ik Regional Conference**

**April 25-26, 2017  
Native Village of Emmonak  
City of Emmonak Complex Building**



**8:30 Registration**

Breakfast available

**9:00 Traditional Opening**

*Mary Ann Andrews, Elder, Native Village of Emmonak*

**Welcome**

*Gretchen Kameroff, Chair, Native Village of Emmonak*

**Introductions of village representatives and participants**

**9:30 Review Goals of YWC Sexual Assault Conference**

*Lynn Hootch, Executive Director, Yup'ik Women's Coalition*

**9:40 Yup'ik Women's Coalition Public Service Announcement**

The Yup'ik Women's Coalition will share its PSA video with participating village.

**9:45 Introduction of *NativeLove* Project**

*Rebecca Balog, Staff, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center (NIWRC)*

*Rose Quilt, Director Public Policy and Research, NIWRC*

The session will share an overview of the *NativeLove Project* of NIWRC. Following the presentation the youth participants and the *NativeLove* NIWRC staff will separate into their own youth track of the conference at the Emmonak Highschool. The youth participants will rejoin the conference at the end of Wednesday to share an update from the *NativeLove* youth track. (<http://nativelove.niwrc.org>)

**10:15 Break**

**10:30 Define SA for Yup'ik tribal leadership and advocates**

*Shirley Moses, Executive Director, Healing Native Hearts Coalition*

*Joann Horn, Executive Director, Emmonak Women's Shelter*

*Tami Truett Jerue, Executive Director, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center*

This session will define the different forms of sexual abuse and assault (marital rape, incest, date rape). This is the first sexual assault awareness conference held in

the Yup'ik region and the session will provide participants the opportunity to ask questions and share thoughts about sexual assault from their experience as Yup'ik people within their village

**11:30 Elder Sharing: *Akqussaquuteg, Qailluquaq***

*Mary Ann Andrews, Native Village of Emmonak,  
Mary Lucy Andrews, Native Village of Kotlik  
Winnifred Hunt, Village of Kotlik*

A panel of three Yup'ik elders will share their understanding of sexual abuse. In Yup'ik such abuse is referred to as *akqussaquuteg* or *qailluquaq*.

**12:30 Lunch**

**Day One Afternoon**

**1:30 Community Sexual Assault Walk**

A community sexual assault awareness walk will be held for conference participants and community members sponsored by the Emmonak Women's Shelter and the Yup'ik Women's Coalition.

**2:45 A Hopi-Tewa Tribal Sexual Assault Response Team (invited)**

*Dorma Sahneyah, Board, Hopi-Tewa Women's Coalition  
Carey Onsaie, Executive Director, Hopi-Tewa Women's Coalition*

This session will share the development of a tribal sexual assault response team by the Hopi Indian Tribe in Arizona. The Hopi-Tewa Women's Coalition will share lessons learned in developing the first tribal Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) in the United States.

**4:00 Break**

**4:15 Facilitated Discussion:  
Developing a Yup'ik Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)**

This session will focus on the need and efforts to develop a Yu'pik based and culturally relevant SARTs. The Yup'ik village representatives and participants will share thoughts on how with their current village resources a SART could be developed.

**5:30 Closing -- Dinner on you own.**

**April 26, 2017  
Day Two Morning**

**8:30 Breakfast**

**8:45 Welcome and Traditional Opening**

**9:00 What are the barriers a Yup'ik woman faces to getting help after a rape?**

- Why a woman may not report a sexual assault
- Impact on a small village; everyone is related

**10:15 Break**

**10:30 What happens when a Yup'ik woman reports a sexual assault?**

- Village response
- Health response
- Advocacy services available
- Law enforcement: Village Public Safety Officer
- Prosecution

**12:30 Lunch**

**Day Two Afternoon**

**1:30 Establishing a Yup'ik Sexual Assault Response Network**

- Victim centered response
- Advocacy and support
- Services needed

**3:00 Break**

**3:15 Facilitated discussion continued**

**3:45 Sharing from NativeLove Youth Session**

The youth participants of the NativeLove track will return and share their experiences and thoughts about healthy relationships.

**4:45 Completion and Collection of the Evaluation Forms**

**5:00 Closing**

**6:00 Village Potluck – Eskimo Dance**