



Protecting and Promoting Women's Rights: A Seminar for Women's Rights Advocates Seminar Program

	Time	Title	Facilitator
1.	9.30 – 9.40	Introduction	Lucy McKernan
2.	9.40 – 9.45	Welcome from the Queen Victoria Women's Centre	Genevieve Webb
3.	9.45 – 10.05	Protection and promotion of women's rights in Australia (discussion)	Lucy McKernan
4.	10.05 – 10.30	Protection and promotion of women's rights under CEDAW and the Optional Protocol	Simone Cusack
5.	10.30 – 10.45	Break	
6.	10.45 – 11.10	Communication procedure Case studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic violence • Forced sterilisation of a Roma woman 	Simone Cusack
7.	11.10– 11.30	Inquiry procedure Case studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Femicide • Access to contraceptives 	Lucy McKernan
8.	11.30 – 11.40	How community advocates can use human rights to protect women's rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litigation • Advocacy, policy and law reform work • Community education • Media engagement • Funding applications 	Lucy McKernan Simone Cusack
9.	11.40 – 12.20	Group exercises: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strip searches of women in prisons • Forced sterilisation of woman with an intellectual disability • Gender-based violence against women 	Lucy McKernan Simone Cusack Zione Walker-Nthenda
10.	12.20 – 12.30	Questions and conclusion	Simone Cusack