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# Addressing GBV: a Key Element in Gender-Sensitive Addiction Treatment Programs

Free online event in English - Monday, 22 March 2021, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. EST (NY time),  
4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. CET (España)

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Women with substance use disorders face many obstacles in accessing and engaging in addiction treatment programs. Considering that gender-based violence is an initiating or aggravating factor of substance use disorder, it is imperative to address this complex relation in a holistic manner. Within male-dominated environments, where gender aspects are frequently overlooked, women who experience GBV and substance use disorders find it difficult to address this problem effectively. This parallel event will explore the links between GBV and substance use disorders and will shed light on how gender-sensitive programs address GBV as a key element in the therapeutic process.

## Speakers

- **Lois A. Herman** - Managing Director, Women's UN Report Network (WUNRN)
- **Gisela Hansen Rodríguez, Ph.D.** - Clinical and Health Psychologist, Dianova
- **Edward C. Carlson, MA, M.F.T.** - Chief Executive Officer, Odyssey House Louisiana, Inc.
- **Nazlee Maghsoudi, BComm, MGA** - Chairperson, Executive Committee, New York NGO Committee on Drugs (NYNGOC)

## Moderator

- **Maria Victoria Espada** - Representative to the United Nations, Dianova International

