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SS Research Salon

Hostility Intertwines: Women's Use of Force in Intimate Relationship

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Date : 6 December 2018 (Thursday)
Time : 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Venue : Room Y7302, SS Multi-function Room
Yeung Kin Man Academic Building, City University of Hong Kong
Moderator : Dr. Tsang Yuk Ha, Eileen (Assistant Professor)
Language : English

Abstract

Women's use of force in intimate relationship is believed to be different from men's. Previous studies on domestic violence have paid relatively little attention to women's use of force in the family, especially in patriarchal families under the influence of traditional Chinese culture. It is found that women's use of force on men is because not only of self-defense or self-protection from their male partners' violence against them; but also of the women's tense relationship with the in-laws. Such interactions among women, their male partner and in-laws in relation to domestic violence have reflected particular Chinese traditional gender role expectations and family norms. Understanding women's use of force in intimate relationship is thus essential for social workers and/or counselors who endeavor to practice effective gender-and cultural-specific interventions.

Biosketch

Dr. Choi Wai-man Anna is Associate Professor at Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, City University of Hong Kong. She is also a registered social worker, an accredited family mediator and approved counselling supervisor (HKPCA). Over the years, her research and practice have focused on "Stop violence, Resolve conflict and Heal interpersonal trauma". She is keen to develop and disseminate up-to-date knowledge on family work and conflict resolution, especially on the domain of domestic violence in the Chinese contexts.

After the Salon, light lunch with drink will be provided for SS faculty members and research students. Interested participants must make reservation via email (violette.wong@cityu.edu.hk) before 30 November 2018.

All Are Welcome