

The United Nations declared 18 November 2022 as the World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation Abuse and Violence. In conjunction with the World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation Abuse and Violence the

Child Rights Committee brings to you a Webinar on

## Child Sex Abuse: Let's Talk About Boys

22 Nov 2022 (Tuesday) | 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm  
This webinar carries 1 CPD point.

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A largely neglected aspect of child sexual abuse is the involvement of boys. Boys are generally perceived to be less vulnerable to child sexual abuse and exploitation compared to girls. Their participation in problematic sexual behaviour may be tolerated or ignored, paving the way for possible evolution into habitual offending as adults. With a focus on the Malaysian context, this session explores the manifestation of child sexual abuse in boys and its long term impact, the findings of population-based studies as well as implications for prevention.

### Speaker

**Mary J Marret**, MBBS (Sing), Master of Medicine (Paediatrics), MRCP (UK), FRCPC (UK)

Mary J Marret has been practising as a paediatrician for thirty years. Currently, she holds an academic appointment as Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya, with a parallel clinical appointment as senior consultant paediatrician at the UM Medical Centre ("UMMC").



She has a special interest in community paediatrics, conducting assessments for children referred for suspected maltreatment and developmental problems. She is Chairman of the Child Protection Committee at UMMC, Co-Chair of the Child Protection Sub-committee of the Malaysian Paediatric Association and a member of the

International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect. She has an interest in enhancing the professional competence of professionals in the field of child protection within institutions as well as in the country. She has been a member of an international committee of experts under the auspices of the World Health Organisation to develop guidelines for the health sector response to child maltreatment.

Her research interests are in child victimisation across a variety of settings with publications in scientific journals and book chapters. She has collaborated in population-based research regarding the epidemiology of child maltreatment in Malaysia as well as the exposure of Malaysian adolescents to risks and victimisation through the use of communication technology. She has presented papers relating to child maltreatment in Malaysia in local and international conferences. She has also been a reviewer for medical journals.

### Moderator

**Yasmeen Shariff**, LLB (Hons), Master in Comparative Law (UIA), Post Degree Diploma in Syariah Law & Practice (UIA), Post Degree Diploma in Syariah (UKM)

In her early years of practice Yasmeen Shariff was involved in the drafting and lobbying of the Domestic Violence Act. Yasmeen was entrusted to prepare a concept paper for the Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development ("KPWK") on the introduction of Family Courts in Malaysia.

She is extremely passionate about issues involving women and children. Her major contribution was to bring reform in the area of juvenile justice. She received an award as a "Justice Maker" for her work in the area of juvenile justice from International Bridges to Justice.

Yasmeen was nominated by the Government of Malaysia as its representative to the United Nations Committee on the Convention on the Rights of the Child ("UNCRC"). She stood for election and secured the third highest number votes from among 18 candidates. She served the committee as an ordinary member and later was voted as one of the Vice chairs of the UNCRC Committee in Geneva.



Currently, Yasmeen serves as the Co-Deputy Chair of the Bar Council Child Rights Committee. She is Vice President 1 of Majlis Kebajikan Kanak-Kanak Malaysia. She also serves as the legal chair of Persatuan for Wanita Kota.

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