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Coping with the Disappearance of Family Members during Conflict and War: Missing and Enforced Disappearance Status

Elizabeth Carll, PhD, Kevin M. DeJesus, PhD, and Roubina Tahmazian, MA

This 16th free webinar of the Refugee Mental Health Resource Network will examine differences in definitions and the prevalence of enforced disappearance as a political tactic of war, missing, or unaccompanied individuals. The global scope of disappeared individuals, legal definition in international law, key UN instruments, psychosocial impact and approaches to provide support for families and loved ones will be presented. Family associations formed by the loved one's of the disappeared, as crucial vehicles to provide empowerment and social support for families advocating for the rights of the disappeared, in the face of impunity, intransigent governments and armed groups will also be discussed. For refugees

and internally displaced individuals (IDPs), their uncertainty of a place of refuge, political vulnerability and scarce resources compound the complex journey of searching for their disappeared loved ones.

The work of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) will be presented describing the more than two decades of providing psychosocial support for the families of missing persons. The helpful approaches implemented by the ICRC with meaningful outcomes addressing the multifaceted needs of the families and alleviating their distress will be discussed. Q and A will follow the presentations.



Elizabeth Carll, Ph.D. is a licensed psychologist in New York, founder and chair of the Refugee Mental Health Resource Network, an APA Interdivisional Project, and chairs the RMHRN webinar series. She is a past

president of the APA Trauma Psychology Division and chairs the International Committee. A former chair of the United Nations NGO Committee on Mental Health, she is the founder and chair of its Global Mental Health and NCDs Working Group and serves on the boards of non-profit organizations.



Kevin M. DeJesus, Ph.D., an assistant professor in Social Sciences at Johnson and Wales University, developed and co-leads the undergraduate program in Political Science. He teaches

politics, international relations, diplomacy, human rights, and sociology. His current research explores the politics of human rights. Recently, DeJesus interviewed Serbian families of the disappeared in Kosovo and Belgrade, examining how international and regional geopolitics in the Balkans have impacted their pursuit of the fate of their loved ones.



Roubina Tahmazian, M.A. is a clinical psychologist trained in Lebanon and France and based in Cairo, Egypt (ICRC), who has been working as a Mental Health Specialist in humanitarian settings since 1999. In 2006,

she joined the ICRC and has been providing psychological support to families with missing relatives in the Balkans, the Caucasus and in Lebanon. In 2008, she participated in the development of the ICRC publication, "Accompanying the families of missing persons: A practical handbook" for persons working in the field.

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