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The Prevention of Violence against Women and their Children

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Due to sustained efforts by the women's movement, governments and other stakeholders, the issue of violence against women is now a priority on global human rights, health and development agendas. Our Watch (a national NGO), the Victorian Health Promotion Foundation (VicHealth) and Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety recently launched **Change the story**, Australia's first shared framework for the primary prevention of violence against women and their children. Change the Story will provide the central thinking for this WLD, offering a consistent and integrated national approach to preventing violence against women and clearly making the link between gender inequality and violence against women. International experts will set the historical context for the development of this national framework for PVAW, examine the social transformation required to prevent violence against women and their children and share insights into the monitoring of a coordinated approach to policy, programming and advocacy across an entire country. The WLD will provide delegates direct access to expert speakers through a facilitated panel and will deliver a range of practitioner led workshops to both bring to life key elements of **Change the story** and to share effective, large scale, socially transformative prevention activity, using whole-of-population approaches

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