



WomanACT  
WOMAN ABUSE COUNCIL OF TORONTO

# 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

VENUE: CAST HEAD OFFICE, 30 ISABELLA STREET

5:30-6:00 WELCOME AND ASCERTAINING A QUORUM

6:00-6:45 BUSINESS

1.- Adoption of Agenda

2.- Approval of Minutes of September 24th, 2015  
Annual General Meeting

3.- Recognition of Funders, Volunteers and  
Supporters

4.- Financial Report and Presentation of the  
Auditor's Report.

5.- Appointment of the Auditor for 2016/2017

6.- Election of Board Members

7.- WomanACT Meeting Dates

8.- Executive Director Report

9.-Adjournment

# Speaker

## *Michelle Coutu*

*“The interconnectedness of violence against women, mental health and substance use: the importance of engagement with women”*

Michelle Coutu has an extensive community development and case management background working with low-income, under-housed, and homeless populations. Michelle was the Primary Counsellor for Jean Tweed’s “Mom and Kids Too” program for parenting women struggling with substance use and having child welfare involvement. Michelle then became a Substance Use Consultant based within the Children’s Aid Society of Greater Toronto (CAST).

Her innovative work with their Intake and Family Services Department further developed her expertise in child welfare systems and policies and advocacy for families. In addition to delivering and facilitating community-based trainings, Michelle currently is a Substance Use Consultant at Catholic Children’s Aid, she is an Adult Education Instructor at George Brown College and she supports women in a one year transitional housing program that is helping women leave the hostel system.

