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Research: *Addressing Millennium
Development Goals 4 & 5: Reduce Child
Mortality & Improve Maternal Health*

NC Model: *Durham Connects*

U.N. CSW Reflections – April 2014



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58th Commission on the Status of Women



Theme: Challenges & Achievements in the Implementation of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) for Women and Girls

- Why did I go?
- Research: MDGs 4 & 5 Reduce Child Mortality & Improve Maternal Health
 - Local, National, & Global
 - Local Best Practice Model: Durham Connects



What did I take away from CSW?



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Greater Knowledge of Global Women's Issues

■ Prostitution

- Legalize prostitution: Netherlands, New Zealand
- Criminalize all Johns: Sweden, Norway
 - “The Swedish Model: Fighting Trafficking by Targeting all Johns?”
 - “Is Prostitution Sex Work? When Terminology and Legalization Collide with Human Rights.”

■ Human Trafficking

- “Policies & Practices in Addressing Violence Against Women & Girls: An Interdisciplinary Approach”
 - Labor trafficking, sex trafficking
- Smart phone apps



Awareness of Issues that *Must* Be Discussed

- Certain groups still lack a voice
 - LGBTQ
 - “Violence Against Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Women in Asia Challenges Implementation of Gender”
 - Indigenous Peoples
 - “Indigenous Women and the MDGs – Challenges & Lessons”
 - Elderly & Girls
 - “Adolescent Girls: The MDGs’ Missing Link”
- “Developed” Regions are glossed over
 - Us vs. Them



Personal Insight

- My capabilities to present, network, & perform research
- Future goals
- How to achieve my future goals



Thank You WomenNC

