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Achieving Justice for Girls: Ending the Sexual Abuse to Prison Pipeline for Young Women and Girls in the U.S.

Wednesday, April 5, 2017
McDowell Formal Lounge
11AM-12:30PM

Yasmin Vafa, Cofounder and Executive Director of Rights4Girls, will describe the pervasiveness of gender-based violence in the U.S. The presentation will map key points in the pipeline—the detention of girls who are victims of sex trafficking; the criminalization of girls who run away from home or become truant; and those who cross from the child welfare system into juvenile justice. The presentation will also talk about ways to dismantle this unjust pipeline for girls by offering policy recommendations at both the state and federal levels as well as describing a national campaign to combat one aspect of the pipeline-- the criminalization of child sex trafficking victims for prostitution offenses.



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