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Women's Rights Are Human Rights



Dr. Tamana from Afghanistan

Thank you for your support of Physicians for Human Rights. Following the U.S. election, our colleagues around the world are looking to us to fight back against the misogynistic, exclusionary, and dangerous ideas espoused by President-elect Trump. And it's not just in the United States.

Look at the story of Dr. Tamana from Kabul, Afghanistan.

Dr. Tamana – a female physician in a nation where women and girls can be charged with illegitimate moral crimes – came to a recent Physicians for Human Rights workshop to learn how to train colleagues to collect court-admissible evidence of human rights

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She's working to ban the scientifically-dubious and physically-invasive practice of "virginity testing." In Afghanistan, women who are accused of adultery and new brides who don't bleed on their wedding night as expected are often forced to undergo a humiliating hymen examination – and then shamed and rejected by family and community members alike. Some women are imprisoned as a result of these spurious tests. Some are killed. Some kill themselves.

Now that Dr. Tamana has been to our workshop, she'll be able to train more clinicians and mobilize more professionals to help her in this cause. And one day, she says, "there will be no victims of hymen examinations in Afghanistan."

We celebrate Dr. Tamana's work – we're proud to work with her and she inspires us to continue to fight for women's rights and dignity around the world.

But we couldn't have run the workshop without you. So, together Victor, we will continue to work for human rights and justice. Every day. Even if it's harder than the day before. Thank you for your ongoing support.

With my thanks,



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