

CENTRE FOR INNOVATION AND RESEARCH IN WELLBEING

ESW Open Seminar Series

Thursday 7 February / 12-1pm
Room G35, Jubilee Building

Jane Traies, Research Associate, Sussex Centre for Cultural Studies & **Dr Laia Becares**, Senior Lecturer in Applied Social Science, Department of Social Work and Social Care: University of Sussex

The Health and Lives of Older Sexual Minority Women

Join us for this tandem, mixed-methods presentation

Laia will present findings from a quantitative study examining inequalities in health and health behaviours among older women who self-identify as heterosexual, gay/lesbian/bi, or who prefer not to disclose their sexuality. Data is drawn from Understanding Society, a nationally-representative survey of over 40,000 households.

Jane will describe the outcomes of her wide-ranging mixed-methods research project involving nearly 400 older lesbians. Using qualitative data to illuminate quantitative findings, she will focus in particular on the women's health narratives and on the challenges which older lesbians might present to providers of health and social care services.

This event is held in celebration of LGBT History Month

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