



## WEAVING HEARTS, HEALING TOGETHER

### Forced Sterilization and Coerced Contraception (FSCC) in Canada, Indonesia, and Peru

- FSCC is one of many practices used to control women's reproduction.
- In Canada, there are current reports of FSCC that target Indigenous women or Indigenous descendant women.
- The same population was targeted between 1995 and 2000 in Peru, where healthcare professionals had to meet quotas of tubal ligations.
- Currently, in Indonesia women migrant workers face coerced contraception to prevent pregnancies while working in their destination countries.



**Kerani (Indonesia, women with lived experience):** *In 2006 I was working in Jakarta. I asked the company for permission to go home. They coerced me to get contraception. They took us to the clinic and we were hospitalized. There were almost 10 people in each group.*

**Delia (Canada, women with lived experience):** *It's another genocide. The non-Aboriginal people were afraid of us from day one. They wanted to get rid of us because they knew we were the people of the land. They forced us to get tubal ligation, so we wouldn't have babies anymore.*

In all three cases, physical and psychological force and threats were used by the State and healthcare professionals

**Luisa (Peru, women with lived experience):** *The aggression that we have suffered has marked our lives tremendously, in every sense, both personally and socially.[...] We have been assaulted and we are still being assaulted by all the systems and by society as well.*

