Executive Summary

This report represents an analysis of the perceptions that 150 women had of the Physical Education Centre at Queen's University. The results are based on a survey of potential female users of the Physical Education Centre at Queen's University that took place in March of 1998. The survey was administered to women at various locations on the Queen's University campus, and was used to examine how women perceive the Physical Education Centre in terms of safety, space, services and programs and provisions for minority and disabled women.

The results of this survey illustrate that, although the Physical Education Centre is meeting the needs of women to a certain degree, there are some areas in which it can improve its delivery. Increasing awareness of its services and programs for both able-bodied as well as disabled women, providing more and better lighting to all areas of the Physical Education Facility and greater attention given to accessibility to the building by disabled women were some the concerns raised by the women involved in this survey.

Solutions developed to address some of the concerns raised by the women in this survey included: a ticket system by which users of the Physical Education System could use in order to combat overcrowding and clutter in various areas of the centre, installing windows in the walls of the lower hallway to bring more light to this area and having students working in activity rooms to explain how to use equipment and to keep the place clean.