



Domestic Violence Training

The Dynamics of Domestic Violence

Domestic violence is a pattern of coercive control in an intimate relationship which may be characterized by isolating and controlling behaviors on the part of the perpetrator, manipulation and/or intimidation to create an atmosphere of fear, and other forms of abuse. Domestic violence is a choice; it is about power and control, not love and respect. Learn about the different types of abuse, the cycle of violence and other dynamics that victims live with in these relationships. This session is a prerequisite for all other sessions.

The Effects of Domestic Violence on Children

Children are affected by domestic violence, even if they are not present during the violence. Children who witness, or are exposed in any way to, domestic violence feel unsafe, isolated, anxious, depressed, angry, and distrustful of authority figures. These children may have behavioral and emotional problems, cognitive and attitudinal problems and longer-term problems. This session offers information about these effects on children and how to help them recover and make positive life-choices.

Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence

Sexual assault occurs in 40-45% of domestic violence relationships. Sexual assault in intimate partner relationships is often just as violent, just as degrading, and sometimes more traumatic than sexual assault by a stranger. A person sexually assaulted by their partner usually has to face or live with the abuser every day. There is little talk about or consequences to this form of abuse in intimate partner relationships due to cultural and societal views on relationships and sexual violence.

The Effects of Domestic Violence on Special Populations

Domestic violence occurs across all socioeconomic backgrounds, ethnicities, cultures, sexual orientations, family backgrounds, age groups, (dis)abilities, education levels, military statuses, languages spoken, countries of origin, legal statuses, etc. Often, many people in these populations experience domestic violence in compounded ways or may have different barriers to leaving the relationship.

Legal Issues

This portion of the symposium is intended to provide education on Colorado laws surrounding Confidentiality and several of Family Tree's procedures including Law Enforcement Response Protocol. Also covered are the differences between systems-based advocates and non-systems, or community-based advocates, like those at Family Tree. The trainer will also discuss protection orders, both civil and criminal, for victims of domestic violence.

Perpetrator Treatment

The treatment of offenders in the State of Colorado employs a variety of theories, modalities, and techniques. Court ordered domestic violence offenders are a separate category of violent offenders requiring a specialized approach. The primary goals of offender treatment are cessation of abusive behaviors and victim safety. Perpetrator dynamics is the focus of this session.

Building Resilience to Secondary Trauma

Working with victims of trauma can be traumatizing to the advocate. Learn about the effects of trauma, why the work impacts us and prevention and intervention strategies.

A Historical Perspective and Advocacy

Domestic violence is not a new issue in our society. There are many events in the past that shape the way we work with victims and the services that we offer to help. By learning the history of the battered women's movement, client-centered advocacy and empowerment philosophy advocates can better assist victims to plan for safety while in or while leaving a domestic violence relationship.

To RSVP for this Training Symposium, contact Jaclyn Wilmot at 303-403-5892 or jwilmot@thefamilytree.org.

The cost is \$25, the schedule for 2011 starts on the next page.

2011 Volunteer Training Schedule

Mediators- This is Family Tree's training schedule. If you are not going to volunteer for Family Tree, you do not have to attend their orientation session.

Month	Date	Time	Training Class
January	Tues. 11	6:00 - 9:00 PM	Homelessness 101
	Sat. 29	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

February	Tues. 1	6 - 9 PM	DV 101 - Dynamics of Domestic Violence
	Thurs. 3	6 - 9 PM	Historical Perspective & Advocacy/Sexual Assault & DV
	Sat. 5	9 AM - 1 PM	Effects of DV on Children/Legal Issues Related to DV
	Tues. 8	6 - 8 PM	Perpetrator Treatment
	Thurs. 10	6 - 9 PM	Effects of Domestic Violence on Special Populations
	Sat. 12	9 AM - 12 PM	Secondary Trauma
	Tues. 15	6 - 9 PM	De-Escalation Skills/Parenting Time Program
	Thurs. 17	6 - 9 PM	Criminal Justice Response to DV
	Sat. 26	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

March	Tues. 8	6:00 - 9:00 PM	At Risk Youth Training
	Sat. 26	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

April	Thurs. 14	6:00 - 9:00 PM	Homelessness 101
	Sat. 30	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

May	Tues. 3	6 - 9 PM	DV 101 - Dynamics of Domestic Violence
	Thurs. 5	6 - 9 PM	Historical Perspective & Advocacy/Sexual Assault & DV
	Sat. 7	9 AM - 1 PM	Effects of DV on Children/Legal Issues Related to DV
	Tues. 10	6 - 8 PM	Perpetrator Treatment
	Thurs. 12	6 - 9 PM	Effects of Domestic Violence on Special Populations
	Sat. 14	9 AM - 12 PM	Secondary Trauma
	Sat. 28	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

June	Tues. 14	6:00 - 9:00 PM	At-Risk Youth Training
	Sat. 25	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

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Month	Date	Time	Training Class
July	Tues. 12	6:00 - 9:00 PM	Homelessness 101
	Sat. 30	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

August	Tues. 2	6 - 9 PM	DV 101 - Dynamics of Domestic Violence
	Thurs. 4	6 - 9 PM	Historical Perspective & Advocacy/Sexual Assault & DV
	Sat. 6	9 AM - 1 PM	Effects of DV on Children/Legal Issues Related to DV
	Tues. 9	6 - 8 PM	Perpetrator Treatment
	Thurs. 11	6 - 9 PM	Effects of Domestic Violence on Special Populations
	Sat. 13	9 AM - 12 PM	Secondary Trauma
	Tues. 16	6 - 9 PM	De-Escalation Skills/Parenting Time Program
	Thurs. 18	6 - 9 PM	Criminal Justice Response to DV
	Sat. 27	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

September	Tues. 13	6:00 - 9:00 PM	At-Risk Youth Training
	Sat. 24	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

October	Thurs. 20	6:00 - 9:00 PM	Homelessness 101
	Sat. 29	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Volunteer Orientation

November	Tues. 1	6 - 9 PM	DV 101 - Dynamics of Domestic Violence
	Thurs. 3	6 - 9 PM	Historical Perspective & Advocacy/Sexual Assault & DV
	Sat. 5	9 AM - 1 PM	Effects of DV on Children/Legal Issues Related to DV
	Tues. 8	6 - 8 PM	Perpetrator Treatment
	Thurs. 10	6 - 9 PM	Effects of Domestic Violence on Special Populations
	Sat. 12	9 AM - 12 PM	Secondary Trauma

**** Special Holiday Volunteer Orientation Schedule Saturday, December 10 From 9AM - 1 PM ****

There will be only ONE orientation for the months of Nov. and Dec.

December	Tues. 13	6:00 - 9:00 PM	At-Risk Youth Training