

domestic violence primary prevention program that provides a comprehensive curriculum through which students learn to recognize and change destructive patterns of behavior before they are transferred to adult relationships. This program currently operates in 79 high schools and 8 middle schools.

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NYC Healthy Relationship Training Academy (Academy): The Academy provides workshops on IPV, teen dating violence and healthy relationships to young people, parents and adult staff who work with teens. Workshops are delivered through a peer educator model. Peer educators are young people ages 17-26 who are trained to teach their peers about preventing abusive relationships and building healthy ones.

NYC Commission on Human Rights (CCHR)

Workshops on Protections for Domestic Violence Victims: CCHR provides trainings and workshops to different audiences around the city to educate them about their rights under the NYC Human Rights Law. Domestic violence victims have employment and housing discrimination protections under the law. CCHR offers workshops and know-your-rights trainings to service providers who work with victims of domestic violence to know that their clients have rights against employment and housing discrimination and they can bring claims to CCHR.

Staff Training and Development

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Policy and Training Institute (Institute): Established in 2016, the Institute partners with City agencies, schools and community organizations to increase knowledge and awareness about IPV and elder abuse. The Institute collaborates with organizations to assess training needs and designs trainings to support organizations' unique goals. Following trainings, the Institute is available for ongoing consultations, technical assistance and refresher trainings. Capacity building and sustainability are accomplished through train-the-trainer courses.

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

Worker Training for Public Facing Staff: Community Health Workers (CHWs) working through the Center for Health Equity serve clients in high-priority neighborhoods to reduce the incidence and impact of chronic diseases. Violence often stands in the way of reducing chronic disease disparities. CHWs participate in trainings on Trauma-informed Care (in partnership with City University of New York (CUNY) Continuing Education), learn how to work with survivors of trauma (including domestic violence) and identify support groups helpful to their clients.

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAMS/SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE: 2016

2016

Introduction

The Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence (OCDV) was established by city charter in 2001, and is charged with coordinating the delivery of citywide domestic violence services and formulating policies and programs related to the prevention of domestic violence. OCDV collaborates closely with governmental and non-governmental agencies that assist domestic violence survivors and operates the New York City Family Justice Centers. This snapshot of intimate partner violence and the City's response provides an overview of the occurrence of intimate partner violence and the program, policies and initiatives that have been implemented to assist intimate partner violence victims.

Law Enforcement

New York City Police Department (NYPD)

Domestic Violence Unit: The unit develops, establishes and implements protocols that enhance police response and handling of domestic incidents with the goal of reducing the number of domestic violence homicides, reducing the number of domestic violence incidents and keeping families safe. The Domestic Violence Unit is overseen by a Deputy Chief and has a central office staff of 40 supervisors, detectives and police officers. The Domestic Violence Unit oversees 450 domestic violence supervisors, detectives and police officers that are assigned to every precinct and police service area.

Crime Victims Assistance Program: The NYPD has begun to implement a program that will place two crime victim advocates, one specially trained in domestic violence, at each police precinct to assist crime victims. During the initial phase of implementation, advocates have been assigned to 26 precincts. By 2018, advocates will be assigned to all precincts and police service areas.

NYC Sheriff

Service of Orders of Protection: NYC Sheriff's Office serves family court, supreme court and out of state orders of protection. As part of serving the order, the Sheriff enforces removal from household portions of the order. Deputies will also arrest any individual that is found to have violated an order.

Domestic Violence Shelter/Alternatives to Shelter

Human Resources Administration (HRA)

Domestic Violence Shelter: This program provides temporary emergency housing and supportive services through a network of 47 emergency domestic violence shelters and 7 Tier II/transitional shelter facilities. The domestic violence shelters have a total of 2,378 emergency beds and the Tier II/transitional shelter program has 243 units available. Shelter staff has expertise working with a diversity of populations and cultures.

Alternative to Shelter (ATS): This program offers domestic violence victims who hold exclusionary orders of protection the option of remaining safely in their home and community. ATS clients receive a personal alarm system that is linked to local police precincts that can be activated if the individual is in danger. In addition, the domestic violence victim can also receive crisis intervention counseling, advocacy and referrals to services.

No Violence Again (NoVA): This program assists domestic violence victims seeking emergency housing from the Department of Homeless Services (DHS). NoVA staff provide assessment, crisis counseling, shelter referral and placement to eligible clients at all DHS Intake Centers – PATH (families), AFIC (adults w/o children), and three single intake sites.

Identifying Intimate Partner Violence/Linking Victims to Services

NYC Health+Hospitals

New York City Health+Hospitals (H+H) provides a wide range of services for victims of domestic violence at each of its eleven acute care hospitals. In addition to medical treatment for injuries suffered during a domestic violence incident, the victim services programs at each H+H Hospital provide a wide range of support services and education. Services include: twenty-four hour social work support for victims

in crisis, counseling and psychotherapy, as well as advocacy with law enforcement and the District Attorney's Office. H+H will also refer to off-site providers that can assist the victim with services that cannot be provided by H+H, such as housing assistance or legal services.

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Domestic Violence Liaison and ADVENT Program: This program provides domestic violence assessment and crisis intervention at HRA Job Centers. Domestic violence liaisons provide Family Violence Option waivers for eligible domestic violence clients to ensure that they can safely comply with public assistance work requirements.

Domestic Violence Aftercare Program (DVAP): This program provides intensive case management to domestic violence victims living in New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) developments who are approved for emergency transfer due to domestic violence.

Non-Residential Domestic Violence Services: Nine community-based providers offer non-residential services including counseling, housing and aftercare assistance, financial development, job readiness and legal services for domestic violence survivors, as well as community outreach and education. These programs also collaborate with the New York City Family Justice Centers located in every borough to coordinate services for domestic violence victims.

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New York City Family Justice Centers: OCDV operates the New York City Family Justice Centers (FJCs), which provide comprehensive social service, civil legal and criminal justice assistance for survivors of domestic violence, elder abuse and sex trafficking. Located in all five boroughs, the FJCs are safe, caring environments that provide one-stop services and support. Key city agencies; community, social and civil legal service providers; and District Attorney's Offices are located on-site at the FJCs to make it easier for survivors to get help. Services are free and confidential. All are welcome regardless of language, income or immigration status.

In 2016, OCDV partnered with NYC Health+Hospitals to station mental health teams, consisting of a full-time therapist, part-time psychiatrist and full-time program director at the City's five FJCs. The goal of the initiative is to ensure that the FJCs' holistic services approach includes long-term, trauma-informed counseling services.

In addition, in collaboration with the New York City Office of Civil Justice, OCDV expanded legal services at the FJCs to protect existing or gain new housing for domestic violence survivors. Specifically, survivors can get legal assistance or representation for eviction proceedings, rent arrears, foreclosures, housing discrimination and tenant harassment.

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

Screening and Referral of Domestic Violence Victims: The DOHMH has domestic violence policies and protocols in the Bureau of Tuberculosis Control (BTBC) and the Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) clinics. Adults suspected of or self-reported as being victims of domestic violence must be referred to a BTBC social worker/caseworker for further follow-up and referral to a social service agency. At the STD clinics, clients are screened for the domestic violence and are offered counseling and referred to domestic violence resources and safety plans as needed.

The Nurse Family Partnership (NFP): As of October 2016, the NFP program utilizes a new four-question clinical intimate partner violence (IPV) assessment. Three social workers are also available to support clients from those teams who are experiencing IPV and can provide counseling and/or appropriate referrals.

Public Education/Prevention

Human Resources Administration (HRA)

Teen Relationship Abuse Prevention Program (RAPP): The RAPP program is a nationally-recognized