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COLLABORATIONS & CONNECTIONS BETWEEN CHILD SUPPORT & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS

Resources to Make It Real

Co-hosted by the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program/FYSB and the Office of Child Support Enforcement

October 15, 2015

2:00 - 3:30 PM ET

Agenda

- □ Brief overview of the Family Violence Services and Prevention Program
- □ Brief overview of the Child Support Program
- Connections between domestic violence and child support
- Introduction to new resources to implement collaboration and promote safe access to child support
- □ Success story Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Miami-Dade Child Support

Poll – Who's on the webinar?

- A. Child support program manager/administrator
- B. Child support frontline staff
- c. Domestic violence state coalition staff
- D. Domestic violence program manager/administrator
- E. Domestic violence program frontline staff
- F. Federal agency staff

COLLABORATIONS & CONNECTIONS BETWEEN CHILD SUPPORT & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS Resources to Make It Real FYSB Family & Youth Services Bureau Family Violence Prevention & Services Program **FVPSA Program Update** Presented to Child Support Administrators, State DV Coalitions, and DV Programs 10.15.2015 FVPSA's Legacy 1984-2015 Offering families impacted by domestic violence connections to safety and support for <u>30 years</u> □ First authorized as part of the Child Abuse Amendments of 1984 (PL98-457) FYSB Family & Youth Services Bureau Services Program

Intimate partner violence (IPV), sexual violence, and stalking are widespread ...impacting millions of Americans each year Propie per minute are victims of physical violence by an intimate partner in the United States. Family 6 Youth Services Bureau Services Pregram

FVPSA Funding Purpose

- > To assist States and Tribes in efforts to prevent domestic violence and dating violence
- Provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of domestic violence and their dependents
- > Provide for a National Domestic Violence Hotline
- Provide for technical assistance and training relating to domestic violence and DV programs to States, Tribes, public agencies, community-based programs and the public.

FVPSA Formula Grants Overview □ State & Territory grants 70% □ Awards are based on population formula □ Managed by FVPSA State Administrators □ Tribal grants 10% □ Awards to tribes and tribal organizations □ Annual application to receive funding □ Coalition grants 10% □ Awards to the designated, statewide, domestic violence Coalitions as described in 10402(11) and 10411(c)(1) of FVPSA

Annual application to receive funding

1.27 Million Clients Served In 2014, FVPSA provided funds to 1,250 domestic violence shelter programs 886,996 women 257 domestic violence non-shelter 137 Tribal Domestic Violence Programs FVPSA funded programs provided 73,339 men · safe housing crisis response advocacy legal assistance 288,633 counseling children safety planning · support groups FYSB Family & Youth Services Bureau & Services Program



National, Cultural, and Special Issue Resource Centers

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- National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (NRCDV) www.nrcdv.org and www.vawnet.org
- National Indigenous Women's Resource Center www.niwrc.ora
- Battered Women's Justice Center (BWJP) www.bwjp.org
- National Health Resource Center on Domestic Violence (HRCDV) – www.futureswithoutviolence.org
- National Center on Domestic Violence, Trauma, and Mental Health (NCDVTMH) - www.nationalcenterdvtraumamh.org
- Resource Center on Domestic Violence, Child Protection and Custody (RCDVCC) – <u>www.ncjfcj.org/dept/fvd</u>

Culturally Specific Special Issue Resource Centers

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- Asian and Pacific Islander Institute on Domestic Violence (APIIDV) – www.apiahf.org/apidvinstitute
- Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community (IDVACC) – www.idvaac.org
- National Latina Network for Healthy Families and Communities - Casa de Esperanza www.casadeesperanza.org

Getting Help with Domestic Violence

Free and confidential help is available for victims of domestic violence 24 hours a day:



1-800-799-7233

 National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline

1-866-331-9474

 National Sexual Assault Hotline (RAINN)

1-800-656-4673

http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/resource/help-fv



What is Domestic Violence?

- □ A pattern of abusive behaviors that adults and adolescents use against an intimate partner
 - Physical
 - Sexual,
 - Psychological
 - □ Economic coercion
- □ It is characterized by one partner's effort to control the other by use of a range of tactics.



Why is it important for advocates to know about child support?

- Child Support caseload is BIG and the financial support adds up
 16 million children nationwide (nearly 1 in 4 U.S. children)
 32 billion dollars in 2014 95% went to families
- Several public benefits programs include child support requirements
 TANF, Adult Medicaid, Child Care Services
- Most parents appear pro se
- Some states/jurisdictions address parenting time -
 - Sense of Congress urging all states to include parenting time orders in new child support orders with attention to domestic violence and safety

Brief overview of IV-D child support

 $\mbox{\bf Title IV-D}\,$ - Federal, state, and tribal child support agencies work together to

- establish paternity,
- set orders,
- obtain child support payments,
- provide access to health care coverage,
- connect parents to support services





Survivor concerns about child support

- □ That filing for child support will lead to increased contact, harassment, and more abuse
- □ That their information will be revealed and they will be located by the abuser
- That attempting to obtain and or enforce child support may increase the abuser's anger and potentially lead the abuser to seek retribution
- □ Filing for child support may reconnect a survivor and abuser in a formal and lasting way

Incidence of DV and Child Support

- One in ten unmarried mothers signing a paternity form at the hospital report domestic violence with the father
- □ 38% of mothers with child support cases have experienced domestic violence from the other parent
- 1/3rd of mothers in the child support system report DV as one reason for ending the relationship with the other parent
- More than 4 out of 10 mothers who have no formal child support order and receive no informal support report DV with the other parent

(Source: University of Texas – LBJ School of Public Affairs, Child and Family Research Partnership)

New OCSE Resources Safe Access to Child Support Services for

- Survivors of Domestic Violence: Scope of the Issue
- Brief overview of the "why"
- □ Enhancing Safe Access to Child Support Services: IV-D Program Inventory and Planning Resource
 - □ Roadmap for the "how"

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- □ Establishing a partnership feed two birds with one seed
 - Build capacity to provide child support services for
 - □ Promote economic stability for survivors by connecting to child support services

Roadmap for Implementation – Convening a first meeting

- Key leaders from child support and DV programs/ coalitions
- □ Identify DV partnership "leads"
- Describe services child support and domestic violence
- Identify critical issues for survivors and potential short-term response
- □ Clear expectations and constraining factors
- □ Plan next steps and establish responsibilities

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Roadmap for implementation — Taking inventory

- Screening for and promoting disclosure of domestic violence
- □ Family Violence Indicator (FVI) policy and procedures
- Specialized case management for cases with disclosure
- Safety procedures for court/hearings/in-office conferences
- □ Training for child support workers and advocates
- □ Legal practice/judicial context
- □ Feedback and accountability

Roadmap for implementation -Examples of first follow up actions

- DV resource and referral guide distributed to child support staff
- DV resources displayed in child support offices/ lobbies/courts
- $\hfill \square$ Invite child support staff to attend DV conferences
- $\hfill\Box$ Provide child support "101" to DV advocates
- Review child support application and refine questions related to DV
- Attend/observe child support hearings (in judicial states)

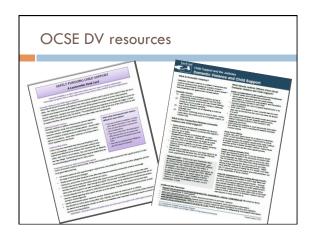
Roadmap for implementation — PIQ 12 -02 "Partnering with other programs"

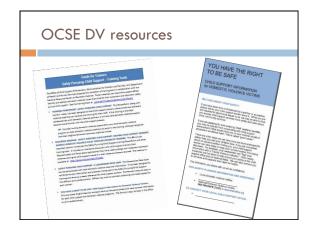
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- Provide information about family violence and to screen and make effective
- Develop, produce, disseminate, and present outreach, education materials, and curricula about safe access to child support services – this includes training of child support staff
- Consult with community-based domestic violence experts and with experts in the field of domestic violence
- Create domestic violence units that include trained case workers to provide specialized child support services

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OCSE DV Resources

- Collaboration between child support and domestic violence programs key
- Lessons learned listen, think creatively, and partner for the long term, funding matters

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Florida Coalition Against DV and Miami-Dade Child Support

- Partners: The Department of Revenue, Miami State Attorney's Office, two certified DV centers, FCADV
- □ Family Violence Preparedness and Response Plan
- $\hfill\Box$ Training for Child Support Staff and DV Advocates
- □ Domestic Violence Screening
- □ Referrals, Safety Planning, and a Strong Connection to Local Partners
- □ The Lessons We Learned and Continue to Learn!

Interview Room with Kids Corner

