



2020 Family Drug Court Learning Academy Café Conversation

# *Safety Matters*



Helping Families Affected by Substance Use Disorders and Domestic Violence Move from Survivors to Thrivers

## **Safety Matters: A Resource Guide**

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This Resource Guide highlights key resources from various organizations to enhance your learning about domestic violence (DV) and its intersection with child maltreatment and substance use disorders.

### **Domestic Violence – Understanding the Basics**

**National Resource Center on Domestic Violence Tutorial** - This one-hour interactive eLearning module describes the dynamics and common tactics that characterize DV, provides an overview of the scope and impact on individuals and society, explores the underlying factors that allow DV to exist, offers insight into the various risks and choices that survivors face, and shares how to be part of the solution. Divided into 10 sections addressing common questions related to DV, this course will help new advocates, allied professionals, students, and the general public achieve a basic understanding of this complex issue.

<http://www.vawnet.org/elearning/DVBasics/player.html>

**Futures Without Violence – Get the Facts** – This webpage has key statistics, shareable social media graphics, and numerous fact sheets by topics.

<https://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/resources-events/get-the-facts/>

## The Intersection of Domestic Violence, Substance Use Disorder and Child Maltreatment

**Quality Improvement Center on Domestic Violence in Child Welfare** - This website contains issue briefs and other resources on an adult and child survivor-centered approach to addressing DV and child maltreatment. Materials highlight protective factors for adult and child survivors of DV, and new ways to think about and build accountability for those who use violence and harm their families.

<https://DVChildWelfare.org>

### **Technical Report - The Intersection of Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence**

**within Families Involved in the Child Welfare System (2018)** – Published by the Florida Institute for Child Welfare, this report summarizes the available empirical research regarding parental substance abuse, DV, and the intersection of the two. It also addresses the numerous ways these issues impact children. Short-comings of current intervention approaches to substance abuse and DV are addressed, along with a brief overview of the components of promising interventions.

<https://ficw.fsu.edu/sites/g/files/imported/storage/original/application/16055936f2f2eb35b107934d1d938501.pdf>

## Cross-System Collaboration – Key Considerations

### **Child Welfare and Other Systems**

**Child Welfare Information Gateway - Collaboration Between the Domestic Violence and Child Welfare Systems** - This webpage on the Children Welfare Information Gateway website provides guidelines, protocols, and other resources for improving collaboration among DV, child welfare, courts, law enforcement, schools, health care, and community and faith-based organizations. Click on [Child Welfare link](#) to find state examples, publications, and fact sheets and additional resources on how DV and child welfare systems can work together to improve service delivery to families that are dealing with issues of DV and child maltreatment at the same time.

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/domviolence/collaboration/>

### **Health Care**

**IPV Healthcare Partners** website developed by Futures Without Violence provides a wealth of information on how to include domestic violence and substance use disorder (DV/SUD) advocates as part of your multidisciplinary care team. A helpful toolkit is available to help health centers establishing formal partnerships with community-based DV/SUD programs which are crucial to providing trauma-informed care for survivors.

<https://ipvhealthpartners.org/partner/>

## Special Populations

### Communities of Color

**Domestic Violence & Communities of Color (2018)** - This document is part of the Women of Color Network (WOCN) FAQ Collection and highlights specific issues and distinguishing dynamics that confront different women of color, including African American, Asian and Pacific Islander, Hispanic/Latino, Native and American/Alaskan Indian women.

<https://wocninc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/.11/DVFAQ-1.pdf>

### Children and Youth

**Children and Domestic Violence Managing Challenging Behavior of Children Living with Domestic Violence (2015)** – This fact sheet resource discusses how DV can affect children and provides parents with information on how to talk to children about DV. Published by the National Child Traumatic Stress Network and Futures Without Violence.

[https://www.nctsn.org/sites/default/files/resources//children\\_domestic\\_violence\\_managing\\_challenging\\_behaviors.pdf](https://www.nctsn.org/sites/default/files/resources//children_domestic_violence_managing_challenging_behaviors.pdf)

**Promising Futures - Best Practices for Serving Children, Youth, and Parents Experiencing Domestic Violence** - This website provides up-to-date information on interventions and resources for children experiencing violence for domestic advocates and other service providers who work with families. The information provided has been collected through a national review of programs and interventions for children experiencing family violence and other forms of trauma.

<http://promising.futureswithoutviolence.org/>

### LGBTQ

**Working with LGBTQ Survivors of Domestic Violence or Intimate Partner Abuse** – Presented by Legal Aid Association of California, this webinar explores how to provide culturally competent services, and what legal issues may be of particular relevance when working with LGBTQ survivors of domestic violence or intimate partner abuse, including LGBTQ parents.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=atjGjJMo7xU>

### Veteran and Military Families

**Domestic Violence in Military Families – Child Welfare Information Gateway**

This webpage on Child Welfare Information Gateway provides resources related to working with military families around issues involving DV.

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/diverse-populations/military/mil-dom-violence/>

**US Department of Veteran Affairs – Intimate Partner Violence Assistance Program (IPVAP)**

Launched in January 2019, the VA's Intimate Partner Violence Assistance Program offers toolkits, fact sheets, and the Relationship and Health Safety Assessment to support the program's mission to provide a comprehensive network of services to Veterans, their families and caregivers, and VHA Employees who use or experience intimate partner violence.

<https://www.socialwork.va.gov/IPV/>