

MODEL INTERVENTION PROTOCOLS AND PREVENTION STRATEGIES

For Domestic Violence Advocates, Sexual Violence Advocates, and Runaway Youth Workers

Created by FCADV's Advisory Board to Assist Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Advocates and Child Youth Workers in Addressing Teen Dating Violence Among Runaway and

MODEL INTERVENTION PROTOCOLS

For DV/SV Center Hotline Staff

- Be familiar with local runaway/at-risk youth services and shelters in your area
- Role-play answering calls from youth — keep youth on the line in order to provide accurate and appropriate referrals in a timely manner
- Be familiar with the dynamics of teen dating violence
- Be familiar with the issues surrounding at-risk/runaway/homeless youth
- Collaborate or cross-train with local Florida Network providers

For Florida Network/Runaway Shelter Staff

- Be familiar with local DV/SV center's community education and training teen dating violence programs
- Learn about the dynamics of teen dating violence
- Role play how to respond to a teen disclosing abuse
- Learn how to safety plan with teens
- Provide educational support groups in shelter on teen dating violence
- Train new staff on the dynamics of teen dating violence and how to intervene

FLORIDA INFORMATION AND REFERRALS

RUNAWAY YOUTH

National Runaway Switchboard

1.800.RUNAWAY

Florida Network of Youth and Family Services

www.floridanetwork.org

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE

Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence (FCADV)

www.fcadv.org

Florida Council Against Sexual Violence (FCASV)

www.fcasv.org

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COLLABORATIVE INTERVENTION

STRATEGIES

- Create Runaway Youth Street Outreach Teams to include DV/SV Advocates trained in teen dating violence intervention
- Provide focus groups for teens to discuss their concerns, needs and/or perceptions about both teen dating violence and running away
- Team up community education staff from both runaway youth and domestic violence/sexual violence service provider organizations to train students, parents, teachers, community leaders, etc. on intervention strategies including:
 - How to respond to a teen survivor
 - How to respond to a teen abuser



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Building Healthy Relationships: 6-12th Grade created by the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, Pittsburgh, PA, 2000.

Helping Teens Stop Violence: A Practical Guide for Counselors, Educators, and Parents by Allan Creighton and Paul Kivel. Alameda, California: Hunter House, 1992.

Making the Peace: An Approach to Preventing Relationship Violence Among Youth found at <http://www.vawnet.org/NRCDDVPublications>.

National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center: www.SafeYouth.org — 1.866.SAFEYOUTH.

Resource Guide for Educators: Dating Violence, It Is Your Business created by the Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 2000.

Teen Dating Violence Resource Manual, National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Order it at <http://www.ncadv.org>.

RUNAWAY YOUTH

End Homelessness! A Fact Sheet for Middle/High School Students created by the National Alliance to End Homelessness found at <http://www.endhomelessness.org>.

Fundamental Issues to Prevent and End Youth Homelessness, Youth Homelessness Series, Brief No. 1 created by the National Alliance to End Homelessness found at <http://www.endhomelessness.org>.

National Runaway Switchboard's Runaway Prevention and Education Presentation Module

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Sexual Assault of Adolescents and Teens created by the Michian Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence: www.mcadsv.org.

Teen Dating Violence Fact Sheet created by the National Center for Victims of Crime's Dating Violence Resource Center found at <http://www.ncvc.org/dvrc>.

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Homeless Youth NCH Fact Sheet #13 published by the National Coalition for the Homeless, June 2005 found at <http://www.nationalhomeless.org>.

Toolkit for Youth Workers: Fact Sheet, Runaway and Homeless Youth created by the National Network for Youth, 1998. National Network for Youth:



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