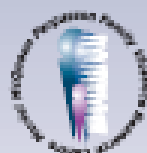


**A Train-the-Trainer Manual for Delivering Training
on Intimate Partner Violence to Police Officers**

Understanding the Impact of

Intimate Partner VIOLENCE

Helping Police Officers to Better Intervene



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- The overall goal of this train-the-trainer training program is to assist police officers to deliver training in their agency on intimate partner violence;
- To build the capacity of police to effectively intervene in situations of intimate partner violence.

Funding:

National Crime Prevention
Strategy

Partnering for change

- Working committee
 - Fredericton Police Force
 - Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research, UNB
- Advisory committee
 - victim services
 - crown prosecutor's office
 - St. Mary's Family and Community Services
 - Fredericton Native Friendship Centre
 - Multicultural Association
 - Transition houses and outreach
 - family resource centre (military)
 - Province of New Brunswick

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1. Dynamics of Intimate Partner Violence
2. Recognizing and Responding to Unique Barriers
3. The Impact on Children and Adolescents
- 4: Police Response to Intimate Partner Violence
- 5: The Impact of Intimate Partner Violence on Police Officers

Understanding the Dynamics of Intimate Partner Violence

- Problem of revictimization
- Police attitudes vary
- Police as first responder
- Victim safety
- Offender accountability

Recognizing and Responding to Unique Barriers

- Unique and complex situations victims in violent relationships face due to differences including age, race, ability, culture, and sexuality.

The Impact on Children and Adolescents

- Presence of child witnesses
- Reporting exposure to intimate partner violence to child protection services

Police Response to IPV

- Personal reactions to IPV affect professional response;
- Policy directives
- Intersection of the Criminal Code of Canada with provincial legislation;
- Role of lethality and dangerous behaviour assessments;
 - Helping victims assess risk;
 - Safety planning with victims.

Impact of IPV on Police Officers

- Officer-involved IPV
- Special problems of victims
- Challenge of reaching out for help

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to Better Intervene***

Thank you