**NETWORK Education Panels – History**

**April 2013:** **How Trauma Impacts Victims: Providing Trauma Informed Services**

In order to be trauma informed, agencies must first understand how trauma impacts victims.  The panel will provide a better understanding of what happens in the brain when victims experience severe trauma, both emotionally and physically, and how this may impact the services we provide.

Panelists

* Jenna Yanez, VAW staff attorney for the Administrative Office of the Courts
* Dawn Snuggerud, MS, LPCC, Farmington Community Health Center, Presbyterian Medical Services
* Kay Gomolak, Executive Director at COPE, a nonprofit agency in Otero and Lincoln Counties, NM
* Donald Clark, MD.

Panel Moderators: Eleana Butler and Sherry Spitzer

**Feb. 2013: Stories of Survival, Strength and Success; Overcoming Teen Dating Violence and Sexual Assault**

Panel is centered around Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, and honoring the resiliency stories of families who have been impacted by teen dating violence and sexual assault.  Panelists will share the supports that helped them to overcome these experiences, as well as where they are in their lives today.  Youth empowerment opportunities will also be discussed.

Panelists

* Danielle Ekhoff, teen survivor
* Susan Ekhoff, Danielle’s mother
* Caitlin Wilson, teen survivor
* Maria Gonzales, teen survivor
* Adrian Carver, Program Manager, New Mexico Youth Alliance

Panel Moderator: Carol White

**Dec. 2012: Addressing issues affecting Latinos with a Cultural Competent Approach**

Addressing issues affecting Latinos with a Cultural Competent Approach

Cultural Competence is now considered a standard when working with ethnically diverse populations.  In New Mexico, most social service agencies and non-profits organizations report working with high numbers of Latinos. This panel, composed of Latina(o)s, will address issues faced by many of our Latino clients and will give hands-on tips on how to make your agency more welcoming and effective when working with Latinos.  The panel will also analyze data to assess whether the composition of the staff of agencies providing services to victims reflect the actual make up of the Latino population of NM.

Panelist:

* Pat Acosta, Coordinator for La Casa, Inc. *Batterer Intervention and Prevention Program (BIPP),* Las Cruces, NMand Client Service Specialist with the Center against Family Violence in El Paso, Texas
* Virginia Perez-Ortega, Director of Prevention ENLACE Comunitario
* Celeste Trujillo, Shelter Director of Community Against Violence in Taos

Panel Moderator: Claudia Medina

**Oct. 2012: Intersection of DV and SA**

Panel will address the intersection of domestic violence and sexual assault.  Quite often, sexual assault within domestic violence situations is not directly addressed.  These panelists will discuss many of the reasons for this complicated social issue from a variety of perspectives: how the law applies to these situations; a survivor’s experiences; a rural community shelter provider’s experiences; and the experiences of a shelter provider from a larger community.  These speakers will help us to better understand the complexities we still encounter when addressing treatment, sentencing, education, and survival from sexual violence within domestic violence situations.

Panelist:

* Pat Acosta, Coordinator for La Casa, Inc. *Batterer Intervention and Prevention Program (BIPP),* Las Cruces, NMand Client Service Specialist with the Center against Family Violence in El Paso, Texas
* Rosemary Cosgrove-Aquilar, Special Commissioner, Domestic Violence Division, Second Judicial District
* Quintin McShan, Captain, NM State Police
* Edna Sprague, Assistant DA, 2nd Judicial Court, Domestic Violence Unit
* Alexandria Taylor, Executive Director of Valencia Shelter Services

Panel Moderator: Carol McFall

**Aug. 2012: Batterers Intervention Programs**

Explore programs for working with Individuals Who Batter. Panelists share their expertise, including discussion on successes, challenges, criteria for participation and available data. Join us to examine the other side of domestic violence in an effort to better understand programs that work with offenders.

Panelist

* Terrence “Red” Crowley, Haven House
* Patricia McKeen, LPCC,NBCC, A New Awakening Counseling
* Rod Kaskalla, Domestic Violence Coordinator, Pueblo of Nambe
* Pam Wiseman, Executive Director, NM Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Panel Moderator: Teresa D’Anza

**June 2012: Court Programs Related to Domestic Violence**

Come participate in this panel to learn more about current Court programs related to domestic violence, both civil and criminal, throughout the state.  We will also discuss what types of Court programs may be useful to implement and hear recommendations from the NM Intimate Partner Violence Death Review Team.  Programs including Court Clinic, CASA volunteers, DV Offender Early Intervention and the FAIR program will be discussed.

Panelist

* Danielle Albright, Program Manager, NM Intimate Partner Violence Death Review Team
* Javier Argueta, Probation Officer II, DV Repeat Offender Program, Bernalillo County Metro Court
* Andres Garcia, Probation Officer II, DV Early Intervention Program, Bernalillo County Metro Court
* Jean Klein, Supervisor, DV Early Intervention Program and Repeat Offender Program, Bernalillo County Metro Court
* Dr. Mercedes Marshall, Director, Court Clinic, Second Judicial District Court
* Judy Pittman, Domestic Violence Commissioner, Chaves County

Panel Moderators: Erin Olson and Carol McFall

**April 2012: Sex Offender Registry**

Come participate in the discussion and learn about current issues with the NM Sex Offender Registry. The speakers will address resources/gaps in services, federal laws impacting our state efforts, and the effectiveness of current interventions. Agencies represented on the panel include the NM Dept. of Public Safety Sex Offender Registration Program, Bernalillo County Sheriff’s Office, US Probation Office, NM Sex Offender Management Board, and the 2nd Judicial District Attorney’s Victim’s Impact Program.

Panelist

* Sergeant Joshua Campos and Detective Joshua Parkins, Bernalillo County SORT
* Regina Chacon, DPS Sex Offender Registration Program and member of the NM Sex Offender Management Board
* Tami Yurcisin, US Probation Office
* Amy Ortiz, 2nd Judicial DA’s Victim Impact Program

Panel Moderator: Connie Monahan, NM CSAP

**Feb. 2012: Teen Violence**

Feb. is *Teen Violence Awareness Month* and this month’s panel will address various resources and trainings within our communities that help support teens and young men. Panelist will also share issues and trends they are encountering around teens and youth as it related to domestic violence and sexual assault. Some of this information can be helpful and recreated in rural communities so we encourage state-wide attendance (in person or via webinar).

Panelist

* Paola Castillo, Youth Prevention Program, Enlace Comunitario
* Carlos Flores, South Valley Male Involvement Project
* Amanda Jimenez, youth perspective, Enlace Comunitario Prevention Department participant
* Dr. Emily Moore, Social Empowerment Programs of NM
* Anna Nelson, LISW, Executive Director NM Forum for Youth In Community
* Virginia Perez-Ortega, Domestic Violence Prevention Director of Enlace Comunitario
* Jessica Tafoya – New Mexico Teen Pregnancy Coalition/Young Father’s Project

Panel Moderators: Vicki Nakagawa, Dept of Health and Carol White, LISW, Rio Rancho Public Schools

**Dec. 2011: Mediation and Domestic Violence**

Mediation provides a valuable and satisfying way to resolve issues in many family cases. Due to the prevalence of domestic violence (DV), many family cases involve DV. Is mediation ever appropriate in cases where DV exists? What do the law/ethics codes say about mediating where DV may be present? What are alternatives to mediation? How does a judge or mediator learn if a particular case involves DV? What are pros/cons of each environment for victim and alleged perpetrator? Thoughtful consideration of mediation and its alternatives is needed. The DV-mediation intersection requires deliberate reflection and nuanced response.

Panelist

* Monica Baca, Attorney, Monica D. Baca Law Firm
* Laura Bassein, Attorney, Administrative Office of the Courts and Institute of Public Law
* Alisa Hadfield, Family Court Judge, Domestic Violence Division, Second Judicial District Court
* Dale Klein-Kennedy, LPAT, LPCC, Clinical Director/Family Services Director, SAFE House
* Kathleen Oweegon, Facilitator, Mediator, Trainer, and Founder, Bridges of Peace
* Beth Rourke, Legal Director, Enlace Comunitario

Panel Moderator: Carol McFall, Executive Director, Rape Crisis Center of Central NM

**Oct 2011: Civil Legal Services for Survivors of Sexual Violence**

In the right hands, legal rights can be tools for healing.  The Community Justice Project is designed to use legal knowledge to help women and men heal from sexual assault.  The Project serves adult survivors of sexual assault by providing legal advice and representation on a variety of civil issues. When their basic needs are protected, survivors are able to make healing from the assault the primary priority.  Advocates from the project will share their triage approach to legal issue-spotting and will describe needs that are emerging from their work with clients in New Mexico.

Panelist:

* Claire Harwell, Director for the NM Community Justice Project
* Frances Steckbauer, Legal Advocate, Clovis/Portales
* Jenna Yanez, J.D., Legal Advocate, Santa Fe
* Denise Frank, LCSW, Legal Advocate, Taos

Panel Facilitator: Amber Hamilton

**Aug 2011: Standards of Practice for Treating Adolescent Who Cause Sexual Harm**

Panelist:

* Bryce Pittenger, Clinical Director, Hogares Inc.
* Tom Hall, Therapist, Sequoyah Adolescent Treatment Center
* Joe Mirabal, Juvenile Probation Officer, CYFD Juvenile Justice Program
* Dr. Craig Pierce, Southwest Family Guidance

Panel Facilitator: Connie Monahan

**June 2011: What is happening on campuses (high school and university) to ensure student safety?**

Safety & issues of violence, Teen Dating and Sexting

Panelist:

* Carol White, Social Worker, Independent High School, RRPS
* Celedina Coss, Prevention and Education Specialist, Solace Crisis and Trauma Treatment Center, SF
* Anthony Maes, Special Agent, Attorney General’s office, on sexting and the law
* Kathleen Guimond, Chief of Police, University of New Mexico Police Department
* Debbie Darmata, Director, WAVE, NMSU Las Cruces programs

Facilitator: Carol White

**April 2011: Elder Abuse: Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault in the Older Population**

Panelist:

* Tony Louderbough, Deputy Director, Adult Protective Services
* Ms. Kristina Faught-Hollar, Sr. Trial Attorney, at 13th Judicial District DA’s office
* Mr. Mark Myers, Detective, Las Cruces Police Department

Facilitator: Vicki Nakagawa