



E**N**EW**S**LETTER September/October 2007

VAWnet's eNewsletter provides regular updates on new resources available online, and is intended for wide distribution. Please feel free to forward this information to colleagues, advocates, community members and others with an interest in issues related to violence against women. Those interested in signing up to receive VAWnet E-Newsletters via email can contact us by phone at (800) 537-2238 or by using our online contact form at <http://new.vawnet.org/specialdocs/aboutus/contactus.html>.

THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS

★ *Announcing the Newly-Enhanced Prevention & Education Areas!*

VAWnet has significantly enhanced the content, structure, and utility of the Prevention & Education information on our website. These special collections of selected materials on prevention theory, models, and approaches for raising awareness and increasing community engagement to end violence against women are now located within the Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence areas of VAWnet. The materials included provide broad range of information and tools to support advocates' prevention and education efforts.

* Access the enhanced areas at: <http://www.VAWnet.org/>

🎀 *October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month*

The National Domestic Violence Awareness Project website features materials, local events, a calendar of national awareness initiatives, and information about the history and campaigns of Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). <http://dvam.vawnet.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

★ *Upcoming Women of Color Network Conference Call*

A Call to Action for Women of Color Advocates

September 20, 2007 – 1-3pm Eastern Time

This call will continue the discussion from *A Call to Action II: "How Will We Organize?" for Women of Color Advocates* that took place on August 16, 2007, where several participants stated their interest in seeing the Call to Action continue, not just as a way to encourage dialogue, but as an actual *movement*. This call will work towards accomplishing the action steps that have been collectively put in place and to bring more ideas to the table.

Registration form: <http://pubs.pcadv.net/wocn/calltoaction9-20.pdf>

★ *Upcoming Prevention Connection Web Conference*

Intersection of Ending Oppression and Prevention of Violence Against Women

September 19, 2007 – 2pm Eastern Time (11am Pacific Time)

Register at: <http://www.preventconnect.org/>

★ *State-by-State Statutory Summary Charts*

The **American Bar Association Commission on Domestic Violence** has released an online series of charts including statutes from all 50 states regarding domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence and trafficking.

<http://www.abanet.org/domviol/statutorysummarycharts.html>

☆ *VictimLaw*

VictimLaw is a unique online tool to support the enforcement of victims' rights. The National Center for Victims of Crime operates this user-friendly database featuring more than 15,000 victims' rights statutes, tribal laws, constitutional amendments, court rules, administrative code provisions, attorney general opinions, and case summaries of related court decisions.

<http://www.victimlaw.info/>

☆ *Global Violence Against Women: Resources for Education and Prevention*

Women Make Movies has a collection of video resources for violence prevention and education, available at deeply discounted rates for community-based organizations. The films in this culturally relevant collection range from inspirational accounts of survivor strength to powerful calls for awareness that reframe violence against women as a global human rights issue. Addressing social and legal reforms needed to protect women's rights, these resources will be invaluable to victim advocates, social workers, law enforcement, policy makers, lawyers, health workers and survivors alike.

<http://www.wmm.com/filmcatalog/subjects/sub92.shtml>

☆ *Scenes from a Shelter*

Family Communications, the producer of Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, and the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV) have together created this comprehensive resource kit for those who work with children exposed to domestic violence. The newly revised and updated **Scenes from a Shelter** includes: two short video programs for children on DVD; an accompanying workbook with activity and discussion guide; "I Do and I Don't," an illustrated story book for children by Fred Rogers and Hedda Sharapan; and a black and white "coloring book" version of "I Do and I Don't."

<http://www.fci.org/viewproject.asp?ID=%7B52EB6081-B2D0-4BEF-B45E-AF9EC9B5A91A%7D>

FEATURED ADDITIONS

☆ *2007 DVAM Packet Posted*

Domestic Violence Awareness Project: 2007 Resource Packet by the Domestic Violence Awareness Project of the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (2007)

Features informational materials, samples and order forms for items available from the organizations represented on the Project Advisory Group.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1104>

☆ *New Resource on Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence*

Little Eyes, Little Ears: How Violence Against a Mother Shapes Children as they Grow by Alison Cunningham and Linda Baker for the National Clearinghouse on Family Violence (2007)

This is a concise source of information for anyone wanting to understand children's experiences of violence and its impact their on development from infancy to adolescence.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1074>

NEW MATERIALS: GENERAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN PREVENTION & EDUCATION

Approaching old problems in new ways: community mobilisation as a primary prevention strategy to combat violence against women by Lori Michau for Gender & Development (March 2007)

Lessons learned from the Uganda-based NGO, Raising Voices, to explore and experiment with community-based primary prevention methodologies that seek to shift attitudes and behaviors that perpetuate VAW.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1071>

A Lifetime Commitment to Violence Prevention: The Alameda County Blueprint by Prevention Institute (July 2005)

This Blueprint is a framework to identify the range of roles and partnerships in which stakeholders can engage and activities that will prevent violence in all its forms, including intimate partner violence and sexual assault.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1067>

Changing Men: Best Practice in Violence Prevention Work With Men by Michael Flood (2004)

This article focuses on the need to include men in efforts to end violence against women. The author provides information on educational strategies that are primary prevention focused, best practices, and information on the importance of evaluation.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1090>

The Effectiveness of Universal School-Based Programs for the Prevention of Violent and Aggressive Behavior from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (August 2007)

This report provides a summary of findings from a review of evidence concerning the effectiveness of universal school-based violence prevention programs.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1113>

Successful Program Implementation: Lessons From Blueprints by Sharon Mihalic, Abigail Fagan, Katherine Irwin, Diane Ballard, and Delbert Elliott for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (2004)

This bulletin presents findings from a process evaluation of exemplary violence prevention and drug prevention programs that have been evaluated in rigorous, controlled trials. Critical components of program implementation are identified.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1112>

Third Milestones of a Global Campaign for Violence Prevention Report 2007: Scaling Up by the World Health Organization (WHO) (2007)

Reviews progress that has been made in violence prevention since October 2002 and sets out what the World Health Organization and its partners can do over the next 5 years to expand programming and to demonstrate the impact of violence prevention.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1075>

Video Catalogue by the National Clearinghouse on Family Violence (2005)

Titles in this guide to Canadian videos about family violence are listed alphabetically under four subject headings: Child Abuse and Neglect, Child Sexual Abuse, Intimate Partner Abuse, and Abuse of Older Adults.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1076>

Violence Against Women Prevention Programming: Report of What Is in Use by the National Violence Against Women Prevention Research Center (2003)

Describes the results of a survey, conducted in 2001, which sought to gather information on the extent to which violence against women (VAW) agencies provide prevention programs, and to describe the nature and types of programs currently implemented.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1073>

NEW MATERIALS: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION & EDUCATION

Choose Respect Annual Report, 2005-2006 by the Choose Respect Initiative, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (2006)

Presents the highlights of the initiative's national launch, an overview of the Choose Respect goals, background and development of the initiative, national launch events, and the local events planned by the Choose Respect community partners.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1070>

Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancement and Leadership Through Alliances (DELTA) by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC)

Describes the history, purpose, concepts, and activities related to the CDC's DELTA Program, funding state domestic violence coalitions to build IPV prevention capacity within their organization, state, and local communities.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1069>

Emerging Strategies in the Prevention of Domestic Violence by David A. Wolfe & Peter G. Jaffe, The Future of Children, Volume 9, Number 3 (Winter 1999)

Describes theoretical frameworks, including 2 public health models, to inform the future development of domestic violence prevention strategies. Provides examples of innovative strategies across the country and discusses results from evaluations.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1105>

Expect Respect, SafePlace School-Based Services: Program Evaluation, 2004-2005 Academic Year by SafePlace

This report details evaluation results of the Expect Respect school-based prevention program. Provides summaries of pre- and post-tests, focus groups, year-end feedback forms, and comments from school personnel.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1106>

Instigate! An Online Toolkit for Community Mobilization by Transforming Communities: Technical Assistance, Training & Resource Center (TC-TAT) (2001)

Provides tips, tools and exercises to guide the development of a Community Action Team in your neighborhood, city, faith-based group, school or place of employment. Designed primarily for use by domestic violence and public health organizations.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1078>

Making the Case for Domestic Violence Prevention Through the Lens of Cost-Benefit: A Manual for Domestic Violence Prevention Practitioners by Angela Browne-Miller, Transforming Communities: Technical Assistance, Training and Resource Center (TC-TAT) (June 2006)

Provides a step-by-step approach to understanding how cost-benefit thinking can be applied to domestic violence prevention. Each chapter offers an overview, definition and discussion of relevant terms, statistics and examples, and user-friendly worksheets.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1065>

Mobilizing Family, Friends & Neighbors to Prevent Domestic Violence by Close to Home Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative (2003)

This report captures input and perspectives of participants over the course of a 5-day online conference hosted by Close to Home. Information is organized within four key themes.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1072>

Poised for Prevention: Advancing Promising Approaches to Primary Prevention of Intimate Partner Violence by Lisa Fujie Parks, Larry Cohen, and Nicole Kravitz-Wirtz, Prevention Institute (January 2007)

Includes a discussion of primary prevention of IPV, promising approaches to environmental/norms change, an examination of IPV primary prevention within immigrant communities, recommended actions to building momentum, and immediate next steps.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1066>

Preventing violence: a guide to implementing the recommendations of the World report on violence and health by the World Health Organization (WHO) (2004)

WHO recommendations for increasing data collection capacity, researching violence, promoting primary prevention, promoting gender and social equality, strengthening care and support services for victims, and developing a national action plan of action.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1107>

Primary Prevention and Adult Domestic Violence by Jeffrey L. Edleson for the Family Violence Prevention Fund (February 2000)

Examines the available research and practice literature on frameworks for understanding domestic violence, risk and protective factors for adult domestic violence, and the few efforts geared toward primary prevention in this domain.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1068>

Snapshots: A Picture of California's Domestic Violence Prevention Services for Underserved Communities by Transforming Communities: Technical Assistance, Training & Resource Center (TC-TAT)

Highlights 65 innovative domestic violence prevention programs for unserved and underserved communities. Shares observations to spawn dialogue and provide insight into the development of best practices for culturally relevant prevention services.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1077>

NEW MATERIALS: SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION & EDUCATION

Balancing Acts: Keeping Children Safe in Congregations by Reverend Debra W. Haffner, Unitarian Universalist Association

This manual provides information and suggestions for congregational leaders around the issue of sex offenders in their religious community. The manual focuses on prevention through education, awareness raising, and policy development.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1087>

History of Sexual Assault Prevention Efforts by Janet Meyer for the Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault (2000)

This document from the Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault explores the history of sexual assault prevention efforts from the 1970s to the present.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1108>

Issues for Teachers in Sexual Violence Prevention Education by Janet Meyer for the Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault (2000)

This document highlights some of the issues teachers need to consider when doing sexual harassment and sexual violence prevention education.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1109>

Partners in Social Change, Volume IX Issue 1 by the Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs, Sexual Assault Prevention Resource Center (Fall 2006)

This publication focuses on rape culture and addresses the intersections between the Arenas of Action and the Spectrum of Prevention. Also discussed is the use of online surveys for evaluation.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1085>

Partners in Social Change, Volume IX Issue 2 by the Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs, Sexual Assault Prevention Resource Center (Winter 2007)

This publication provides an overview of public health theory and also provides information for designing and administering surveys.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1086>

Perspectives on Sexual Violence Prevention by Janet Meyer for the Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault (2000)

This 3-page summary describes four major perspectives on sexual violence: public health; risk factors; social change; and law and criminal justice.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1110>

Preventing Child Sexual Abuse Within Youth Serving Organizations: Getting Started on Policies and Procedures by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2007)

This guide identifies six key components of child sexual abuse prevention for organizations. It includes prevention goals and critical strategies for each component.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1111>

Rape Prevention Through Bystander Education: Bringing a Broader Community Perspective to Sexual Violence Prevention by Victoria L. Banyard, Elizabeth G. Plante, and Mary M. Moynihan (February 2005)

This report offers an overview and evaluation of a bystander intervention program as well as implications and future directions for research in this area.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1083>

Recommendations to Prevent Sexual Violence in Oregon: A Plan of Action by Oregon Department of Human Services (2006)

This plan was developed to prioritize prevention efforts in the state of Oregon and to "identify innovative, evidence-based, comprehensive sexual assault prevention initiatives" and offer directions to build upon these efforts.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1088>

Working Upstream: A Public Health Approach to Preventing the Sexual Abuse of Children by Stop It Now! (2002)

This document contains the proceedings from the Stop It Now! Expert Panel Meeting in April 2002, and captures ideas around primary prevention strategies from experts in the field as well as survivors, family members, and recovering offenders.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1089>

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