

Announcements, Information & Resources

FVPP Solicits Model Curricula in Family Medicine Residency Programs

The Family Violence Prevention Fund, in collaboration with Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health, is collecting best practices and model curricula regarding assessment for abuse, neglect, family and community violence in family medicine residency programs.

With approval from the authors, these model curricula (or elements of these models) may be disseminated as best practices for other residency programs to facilitate implementation of the proposed Program Requirements for Residency Education in Family Medicine.

Specifically, we are looking for curricula that include both didactic and experiential components and those that include an evaluation of the curricula. If you have any information or other related best practices please contact Lisa James at lisa@endabuse.org.

New Resource Webpage on Intimate Partner Violence for Health Care Practitioners

The Vermont Medical Society together with the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence has developed a new resource webpage on Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) for health care practitioners.

The webpage provides state-of-the-art information, tools, resources and links specifically designed for clinicians, administrators and educators working in health care and public health settings to

enhance the health care response to intimate partner violence.

To view this new resource, please visit the Vermont Medical Society's website: <http://www.vtmd.org/Domestic%20Violence/DVHome.html>.

New Curriculum on Intimate Partner Violence for Health Care Providers

The Vermont Network Office in collaboration with the Vermont Department of Health and the Vermont Medical Society has created a curriculum specifically designed for health care providers. The comprehensive curriculum packet contains power point lectures with extensive lecture notes, handouts and exercises for the participants, videos, and materials to organize a community resource panel. It comes with a detailed facilitator's guide.

The curriculum is based on the result of focus groups with Vermont health care professionals and follows the recommendations on family violence education for health care professionals provided by the Centers for Disease Control and the Institute of Medicine. It is designed to be facilitated by a teaching team including both health care professionals and domestic violence advocates. The four units can be implemented in 4-6 hours, either in four separate sessions or in one full-day training.

If you have questions, comments or ideas regarding this project, please contact the Vermont Network's Health Care Project Coordinator at (802) 223-1302 or vtnetwork@vtnetwork.org.