

*Meeting
&
Training Calendar
January - June 2010*



West Virginia Coalition

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WVCADV

Mission Statement

The mission of the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence is to end personal and institutional violence in the lives of women, children and men.

WVCADV works to transform social, cultural, and political attitudes through public awareness, policy development, community organizing, education and advocacy in ways that promote values of respect, mutuality, accountability and non-violence in local, statewide, national and global communities.

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At a Glance 2010 Scheduled* WVCADV Committee Meetings & Trainings

*All scheduled meetings are subject to change—
contact meeting coordinator prior to scheduled
meeting date to confirm.

January

- 7-8 WVCADV Board of Directors Meeting
- 11 DV Definitions Workgroup
- 13 Legislative Session Begins
- 20 Public Policy Committee
- 27 Dating Violence Workgroup
- 29 DV/Child Victimization Workgroup

March

- 9-10 Rural Team Training
- 24 Public Policy Committee
- 26 Database Committee

May

- 18 Database Committee
- 19 Public Policy Committee

February

- 2 Legislative Briefing
- 3 Domestic Violence Prevention Day/
Legislative Reception
- 17 Public Policy Committee
- 26 LGBTQQ Committee Meeting

April

- 7-9 WVCADV Board of Directors Meeting
- 15-16 Head Start for Safety Training
- 16 LAV Regional Cross Training
- 16 Training Committee
- 21 Public Policy Committee
- 23 LGBTQQ Committee Meeting

June

- 4 LAV Partnership/Team Meeting
- 9-11 WVCADV Advocate Retreat
- 16 Public Policy Committee

Trainings

Head Start for Safety

Tentative Dates: (One day workshops which run back-to-back. Sign up for just one)

April 15 or 16, 2009 - Lewisburg

March 25 or 26, 2010 - Morgantown

Registration Deadline: March 12 (Morgantown); April 2 (Lewisburg)

Head Start for Safety is a collaborative one day training that uses a cross-disciplinary approach to focus on three forms of abuse that may impact individuals, children and families: domestic abuse, substance abuse and child abuse and neglect. The goal of this training is to increase the knowledge and ability of Head Start and other early childhood program staff in responding to individuals and families experiencing abuse and to understand their critical role as a part of a coordinated community response to violence.

Intended Audience:

Head Start Staff, Domestic Violence Advocates, Early Childhood Program Staff

DVAC: 6 hours - Collaboration & Systems Advocacy (2), Community Organizing and Social Change (1), Health, Mental Health & Substance Abuse (1), Child Victimization (2)

Cost: Free

For more information contact: Laurie Thompsen, Health & Mental Health Coordinator

Rural Team Grant Orientation

March 9-10

Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center, Davis

Registration Deadline: February 26

This orientation will launch the West Virginia "Rural Grant" initiative, which will develop and coordinate 13 rural coordinated community response teams (referred to as "Rural Teams"). The development of these Rural Teams will expand our statewide coordination of services to 13 of our most rural counties: Clay, Hampshire, Lewis, Lincoln, McDowell, Mingo, Morgan, Pocahontas, Raleigh, Randolph, Taylor, Tyler, and Wetzel.

This statewide training will include information on dating violence, outreach to marginalized communities, team development and coordination.

Intended Audience: All team members of all 13 teams and Rural Grant Advocates are required to attend.

DVAC hours: To be determined

Cost: Free

For more information contact: Joyce Yedlosky, Protective Services Coordinator

Allied Agency

An application for approval of non-WVCADV training is to be submitted by individual advocates seeking approval for domestic violence advocates certification credit for trainings not sponsored by the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence or WV Foundation for Rape Information and Services.

Court Improvement Board Child Abuse & Neglect Training

June 21-22, 2010: Elkins (location TBA)

June 24-25, 2010: Martinsburg (location TBA)

July 12-13, 2010: Huntington (location TBA)

This two day training will provide basic information on the child abuse and neglect procedures, MDT process, overlap between family and circuit courts, co-occurrence between domestic violence and child victimization as well as advanced child abuse issues and special topics including child development, WV law updates and resources when working with child victimization.

Intended Audience: DV advocates, attorneys, judges, social workers, CPS, educators, mental health providers, health care providers and children's advocates.

Cost: TBD

For more information contact: Nikki Tennis , WV Supreme Court of Appeals Administrative Office
(304) 558-0145

Trainings

10th Annual Sexual Assault and Stalking Symposium

April 21, Charleston Marriott Town Center, Charleston

Registration Deadline: TBA

This symposium is essential for criminal justice professionals, including police, prosecutors, judges, probation and parole officers, community-based advocates, social workers, state victim/witness assistance employees, counselors, college, community and health professionals who work together to effectively respond to victims of sexual assault.

Cost: \$45.00

For more information contact: Debra Lopez-Bonassa at (304) 366-9508 or at dlbonasso@aol.com

Basic Domestic Violence Training for Child Welfare Workers

This training will be offered 10-12 times per year in different locations across the state. (Notices will be sent out as trainings are scheduled by the DHHR.) The training provides basic information on the dynamics of domestic violence, understanding batterers, the impact of batterers on adult and child victims, and identifying risk to children from domestic violence. Domestic Violence Advocates are encouraged to attend to: Network with local CPS, Youth Services, and CPS Case Aids (new workers); facilitate mutual referral processes; and gain understanding about CPS domestic violence policy and practice. Advocates are encouraged to attend trainings locally, but are welcome at all trainings.

Intended Audience: DV advocates and child welfare workers only.

DVAC: Child victimization 4.5; Collaboration & Systems Advocacy 1

Cost: Free

For more information contact: Joyce Yedlosky, WVCADV Protective Services Coordinator

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Public Policy Committee

Contact: Angie Rosser

This standing committee meets monthly to guide WVCADV's public policy agenda, conduct policy analysis, develop resource materials, and coordinate legislative educational and awareness efforts.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting Dates:

January 20th February 17th March 24th April 21st May 19th June 16th

The Legal Assistance to Victims (LAV) Partnership

Contact: Nikki Erwin

The Legal Assistance to Victims (LAV) Partnership is a statewide advisory committee comprised of representatives of WVCADV member programs and Legal Aid of WV. The LAV Partnership meets quarterly to monitor and guide the implementation of the joint three year strategic plan to provide legal assistance and advocacy to victims of domestic violence throughout WV and serve in an advisory capacity to the LAV grant projects.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting dates: June 4th

Public Awareness Advisory Committee (PAAC)

Contact: Angie Rosser

PAAC is a committee comprised of advocates from around the state that meets on a quarterly basis to guide and coordinate WVCADV's statewide public awareness activities. PAAC's goals are to increase visibility and understanding of the issue of domestic violence statewide and to inspire individuals and communities to become actively involved in ending and preventing domestic violence.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting Dates: To be determined

Multidisciplinary Training Advisory Committee (MTAC)

Contact: Amy Landers

This statewide, multidisciplinary Training committee was formed to develop and support an ongoing educational process. In 2006, MTAC developed a process for maintaining statewide collaboration and evaluation of educational events addressing violence against women, men and children.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting dates: To be determined

Dating Violence Workgroup

Contact: Joyce Yedlosky

This newly developed statewide multidisciplinary Workgroup will examine the policy, practice and resources when responding to dating violence in West Virginia.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting dates: January 27th

Meetings

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer and Questioning

Contact: Kenyatta Grant

This Advisory Council consists of domestic violence advocates from licensed member programs and allies. Committee members meet quarterly to discuss unique and emerging issues related to sexual orientation and additional oppressions experienced by victims of domestic violence who identify as a member of the LGBTQ community.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting Dates: February 26th April 23rd

Domestic Violence Definitions Workgroup

Contact: Joyce Yedlosky

This statewide multidisciplinary Workgroup engages in policy analysis to clarify ways domestic violence is defined, how it is being used, where it is not defined, and how to obtain consistent understanding and implementation.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting dates: January 11th

Domestic Violence/Child Victimization Workgroup:

Contact: Joyce Yedlosky

This statewide multidisciplinary Workgroup engages in policy analysis, systems' deliberation and collaboration; cross-disciplinary training on the co-existence of domestic violence and child abuse; and the development of guiding principles that inform the ongoing process of refining policy and practice surrounding the complicated issues of domestic violence and child victimization.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting dates: January 29th

Advocacy of Color Network (formerly Women of Color Caucus)

Contact: Kenyatta Grant

This Network consists of advocates of color from licensed member programs and people of color activist and allies working in the field of domestic violence. Members of the Advocacy of Color Network meet quarterly to discuss enhancing leadership development, offer innovative approaches to grassroots and statewide leadership development, systems change, community-based, and self-sufficiency issues affecting safety and survival of battered women of color.

Scheduled 2010 Meeting Dates/Teleconferences: To be determined-updates will be sent to current members of the Advocacy of Color Network.

Registration

Please use this registration form to register for Coalition trainings. Each participant must register separately, but each participant may register for more than one training. Please list trainings below:

Training 1:

Name of Training:

Date of Training:

Location of Training:

Training 2:

Name of Training:

Date of Training:

Location of Training:

Training 3:

Name of Training:

Date of Training:

Location of Training:

Information

Name

Address

Phone

*Email

Training fees:

Training 1 \$ _____

Training 2 \$ _____

Training 3 \$ _____

Total fees enclosed: \$ _____

Fax or mail registration form
by registration deadline to:

WVCADV
Attn: Amy Landers
5004 Elk River Road South
Elkview, WV 25071
Phone: (304) 965-3552
Fax: (304) 965-3572

Special accommodations needed:

* registration confirmation will be sent by email

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