



MODEL COLLABORATIVE PROTOCOLS

For Domestic Violence Advocates, Sexual Violence Advocates, and Runaway Youth Staff

Created by FCADV's Advisory Board to Assist Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Advocates and Child Youth Workers in Addressing Teen Dating Violence Among Runaway and Homeless Youth

- **Contact each other!** Utilize the Teen Dating Violence Among Runaway and Homeless Youth Resource Map to make connections between domestic violence and sexual assault advocates and child youth workers. Become familiar with each other's services. Refer, refer, refer.
- **Provide consistent networking opportunities.**
- **Cross train** – Provide training opportunities in each other's respective fields for in-service trainings, regional meetings, and conferences.
- **Volunteer** to assist in each other's Awareness Month activities.
- **Participate** in each other's fundraising events.
- **Join each other** for outreach events such as providing educational training for schools.
- **Create promotional materials together.**
- **Train each other** on the Safe Place program.
- **Seek gaps in services** and begin brainstorming ways to provide more thorough services to teens.
- **Create Runaway Youth Street Outreach Teams** to include DV/SV Advocates trained in teen dating violence intervention.
- **Brainstorm** on ways to create positive social change your community.
- **Work together** to create teen focus groups to identify community needs assessments and possible gaps in services.
- **Develop model policies** and protocols for working together.
- **Keep each other up to date** on innovative curriculums, intervention and prevention strategies.
- **Identify staff liaisons** to work with each service provider.
- **Work together** to provide focus groups for teens to discuss their concerns, needs and/or perceptions about both teen dating violence and running away.
- **Team up community education staff** from both runaway youth and domestic violence/sexual violence service provider organizations to train students, parents, teachers, community leaders, etc. on intervention strategies including:
 - How to respond to a teen survivor
 - How to respond to a teen abuser
 - How to SAFETY PLAN!

FLORIDA INFORMATION AND REFERRALS

RUNAWAY YOUTH

National Runaway Switchboard
1.800.RUNAWAY
www.nrscrisisline.org

Florida Network of Youth
and Family Services
1.888.922.4324
www.floridanetwork.org



TEEN DATING VIOLENCE



Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence (FCADV)
1.800.500.1119 • www.fcadv.org

Florida Council Against
Sexual Violence (FCASV)
1.888.956.7273
www.fcasv.org



National Domestic Violence Hotline
1.800.799.SAFE

National Youth Violence Prevention Center
1.866.SAFETYOUTH • 1.800.243.7012 (TTY)



The Florida Coalition Against Domestic and the Florida Council Against Sexual Violence have collaborated with the Florida Network of Youth and Family Services to address Teen Dating Violence Among Runaway and Homeless Youth. For more information on the project including referrals check out their websites as listed above. A map that includes Florida's runaway youth centers and domestic and sexual violence centers is available online as well as a user-friendly curriculum which includes an extension of the information found on this resource sheet. Unfortunately, Florida's certified domestic violence centers do not provide emergency shelter services to youth, so FCADV encourages referral to FL Network programs. Many of Florida's domestic and sexual violence centers do provide community education and training on teen dating violence. FCADV encourages the collaboration among local FL Network service providers and domestic violence/rape crisis centers to offer training on both teen dating violence and the issues of runaway youth. The goal of the project is to increase domestic and sexual violence advocates' and runaway youth workers' knowledge of and competency in direct service provision to runaway adolescents who experience dating violence. For more information on the project including technical assistance contact the FCADV Teen Dating Violence Among Runaway Youth Project Coordinator at 850.425.2749.

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