Domestic Abuse Women's Network (DAWN) Advocates focus group

Thursday, February 28, 2013.

Implementation of Reproductive Coercion intake survey tool:

- Shelter intakes: January 1 February 28, 2013.
- Present: Leigh Hofheimer, Jake Fawcett WSCADV staff. Leah Holland WCSAP staff.
- Number of Advocates: 7
- 1. When you first heard about this project, what did you think it would be like to ask survivors about Emergency Contraception (EC) and reproductive coercion?
- What did you expect to hear?
- Did you have any concerns?
- Were there any surprises?
- 2. How did you use the tool?
- How did you make it fit into your intake process?
- Did you use the intro prompt before asking question #1?
- 3. How did you decide which information to offer? (safety card, birth control methods, EC info, HIV/STD info)
- Did you use the script and checklist for each question? Or some other method?
- 4. What would you have done differently?
- 5. How did women react to you asking these questions?
- 1-2: Are you pregnant or concerned? Could you have gotten pregnant in the last 5 days?
- 3-5: Birth control interference, coercion, pressure?
- Were there any surprises?
- 6. Once you had EC available on site, did you routinely tell women at intake that it is available?
- If not → why not?

- 7. How did women react when they heard that you have EC and pregnancy tests available on site?
- 8. Did the safety card prompt questions or discussion?
- During intake?
- Later on?
- 9. Did you address any of these issues with women after intake? Please give examples.
- In safety planning?
- Did women have questions about birth control methods that their partner couldn't see or control?
- Questions about EC?
- Conversations about reproductive coercion, pressure to have unprotected sex?
- 10. Has your knowledge about reproductive coercion and stealth birth control influenced any other part of your work?
- Work with survivors outside of intake (support group, transitional housing, etc)?
- Include in training, community education, outreach?
- Conversations with other advocates, staff, and volunteers?
- 11. What other training or information do you want?
- What would help you feel more prepared to help women safety plan around repro coercion?
- Answer questions about birth control and EC?
- 12. Do advocates and volunteers throughout the agency know that DAWN has EC and pregnancy tests available on site? And where to get it?

Questions for Program Director, DAWN

- 1. How did you talk about reproductive coercion, emergency contraception and adding a step to the intake process with management team?
- Why did they decide to do it?
- Concerns?
- What did you consider?
- 2. How did you present it to advocates?
- 3. Was the training useful for people? Important in getting started?