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**Futures Without Violence to Launch National Health Network on  
Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking**

*Goal is transforming healthcare responses to intimate partner violence and human trafficking*

**San Francisco, Calif., July 1, 2020**-- Futures Without Violence (FUTURES) was today awarded \$1.65 million by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)'s Bureau of Primary Health Care to launch and operate the National Health Network on Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking through 2023. HRSA is an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (U.S. DHHS), providing healthcare to people who are geographically isolated, and/or economically or medically vulnerable.

The National Health Network on Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking administered by FUTURES, will work with HRSA health centers and systems to support those at risk of, experiencing, or surviving intimate partner violence or human trafficking and to bolster their prevention efforts. Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking is a new HRSA NTTAP focus and joins a cohort of twenty other NTTAPs. NTTAPs provide T/TA to address the operational, clinical, access, and technology needs of health centers.

The National Health Network on Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking will offer health centers training in trauma-informed services, partnerships, and policy development, and the integration of processes designed to promote prevention and increase the identification and referral to supportive services for individuals at risk, experiencing or surviving intimate partner violence and human trafficking.

"In partnership with HRSA's Bureau of Primary Care, we are now better positioned to support health center staff and their patients who are impacted by abuse and human trafficking, reaching some of the most vulnerable Americans" said Anna Marjavi, Director of the National Health Network on Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking. "This work is vital to helping survivors heal and move forward in their lives."

In addition to this award, HRSA will fund an additional COVID-19 supplement starting this summer. This supplement will be used by the National Health Network on Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking to provide training and technical assistance across the U.S. health center program for serving survivors of intimate partner violence and human trafficking, who face additional challenges during the pandemic, and for programs directed at violence prevention.

To learn more about the work of the National Health Network on Intimate Partner Violence and Human Trafficking, please visit <https://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/health/nationalhealthnetwork>. To learn how community health centers and partnering domestic violence programs can develop comprehensive responses to survivors, visit [www.IPVHealthPartners.org](http://www.IPVHealthPartners.org)

### **ABOUT FUTURES WITHOUT VIOLENCE**

FUTURES, a national nonprofit organization, provides groundbreaking programs, policies, and campaigns that empower individuals and organizations working to end violence against women and children around the world, help individuals and communities heal, and prevent violence before it happens.

For more than 30 years, we have worked to transform social norms, training professionals such as health providers, judges, educators and coaches on improving responses to domestic and sexual violence and abuse. FUTURES supports frontline responders of the COVID-19 pandemic, with resources, training and information for DV/SA/HT survivors, communities, and service providers, available on [our website](#). We also work with advocates, policy makers, creative artists and others to build sustainable community leadership and educate people everywhere about respect and healthy relationships. For more information, please visit <https://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/>.

### **ABOUT HRSA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS**

More than 28 million people rely on a Health Resources and Services Administration health center for care, including one in twelve Americans, one in nine children, one in five rural residents, one in three people living in poverty and more than 385,000 veterans. HRSA funds nearly 1,400 health centers operating approximately 12,000 service delivery sites in every U.S. state, U.S. territory, and the District of Columbia. Learn more about the HRSA Health Center Program [here](#).