



ENHANCING EXISTING PARTNERSHIPS TO
HOLD DANGEROUS ABUSERS ACCOUNTABLE
JULY 30 - AUGUST 1, 2019 | SAN DIEGO, CA
DRAFT AGENDA

Over the last decade, both research and practitioners have substantiated the potential for strangulation, stalking, the presence of firearms and the abuse of technology to increase danger and lethality for victims of domestic and sexual violence. The category of offenders who use any or all of these tactics is highly dangerous. Identifying, investigating, documenting and then prosecuting such offenders present unique challenges to law enforcement officers and prosecutors. Advocates working with victims must also account for the specific dangers posed by such abusers.

This conference is designed to provide a multi-disciplinary audience, including law enforcement, prosecutors, pre- and post-trial services, and advocates, with tools and skills to respond to highly lethal and dangerous situations.

The 2.5-day conference will begin with scenarios designed to address each of the issues, current practices and challenges. Following a plenary session that explores the issue of making partnerships work, there are four major segments. Each segment covers the following areas: strangulation, stalking, technology abuse and firearms. A plenary on the topic is followed by skills-based breakout sessions that use a trauma informed lens to address specific concerns and issues for a) law enforcement, b) prosecution and c) advocacy. Each day ends with time devoted to action planning for the multidisciplinary team which incorporates ideas generated in each of the segments and reflects the future direction of the team in addressing dangerous abusers.

OVW ICJR grantees are strongly encouraged to attend the conference in multidisciplinary teams focused on a Coordinated Community Response which consist of law enforcement, prosecutors, and advocates.

As a result of this conference, you will be better able to:

1. Analyze the reasons why strangulation, stalking, the abuse of technology and firearms raise risk and danger to victims of intimate partner violence (IPV) and sexual violence;
2. Tailor specific responses to address both victim safety and offender accountability in potentially lethal cases.

3. Investigate and prosecute offenders who strangle, stalk, abuse technology and firearms to promote accountability;
4. Collect and preserve evidence of strangling, stalking, tech abuse, the presence of firearms;
5. Draft detailed written reports and improve prosecution outcomes.
6. Empower victims through sound trauma-informed investigations and prosecutions of IPV and sexual violence;
7. Continue to enhance existing partnerships to strengthen your jurisdiction's response to dangerous offenders;
8. Design action plans which will reflect future changes to current practices in your community to hold offenders accountable and centralize victim safety.

Day 1: Tuesday, July 30

7:30 – 8:45a	Registration
8:45 – 9:00a	Welcome & Introductions <i>BWJP</i>
9:00—10:15a	Practical Exercises: Issues facing Coordinated Community Responses Team <i>BWJP Staff</i> This highly interactive session uses scenarios that illustrate potential challenges CCR teams may encounter with situations that involve dangerous offenders. The participants will rotate through three different case fact patterns that identify frequent challenges and discuss potential responses. Faculty will assist participants in resolving issues that arise across and within settings.
10:15—10:30a	Morning Break
10:30—11:15a	Practical Exercises: Facilitated Report Back <i>BWJP with Johnanna Ganz, Sexual Violence Justice Institute</i> This session will discuss participants' responses to the scenarios presented in the morning. BWJP staff will facilitate a conversation about opportunities for grantees to identify similar issues in their own communities and begin to formulate action plans.
11:15a—12:00p	Making Multidisciplinary Teams Work Every Day <i>Johnanna Ganz, Sexual Violence Justice Institute</i>

- 12:00—1:30p** Lunch
- 1:30—2:30p** Plenary: Strangulation
Alliance for Hope International
- 2:30—2:45p** Afternoon Break
- 2:45—4:15p** Workshops: Strangulation
- A. Investigating and Documenting Strangulation
Justin Boardman
 - B. Prosecuting Strangulation
Alliance for Hope International (Strack and Smock)
 - C. Safety Planning with Victims of Strangulation
Michelle Morgan, One Safe Place
- 4:15—5:15p** Team Action Planning
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Day 2: Wednesday, July 31

- 8:30—8:35a** Welcome Back
- 8:35—10:00a** Plenary: Stalking
SPARC (Presenter: TBD)
- 10:00—10:15a** Morning Break
- 10:15—11:45a** Workshops: Stalking
- A. Investigating and Documenting Stalking
Justin Boardman
 - B. Prosecuting Stalking
National Center for Victims of Crime (Presenter: E. Roberts)
 - C. Safety Planning with Victims of Stalking
SPARC
- 11:45a—1:15p** Lunch
- 1:15—2:45p** Plenary: Tech Abuse
Rachel Gibson, Safety Net—NNEDV

- 2:45—3:00p** Afternoon Break
- 3:00—4:30p** Workshops: Tech Abuse
- A. Investigating and Documenting Tech Abuse
Safety Net
 - B. Prosecuting Tech Abuse
Donna Kelly
 - C. Safety Planning with Victims of Tech Abuse
Rachel Gibson, Safety Net- NNEDV
- 4:30—5:00p** Team Action Planning
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Day 3: Thursday, August 1

- 8:30—10:00a** Plenary: Firearms and Accountability
BWJP – David Keck and Jordan Ferguson
- 10:00—10:20 a** Break
- 10:20—11:50 a** Team Action Planning
BWJP and Johnanna Ganz, Sexual Violence Justice Institute
- 11:50—Noon** Conference Wrap-up

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