

Technology Safety For Advocates: Teens, Technology, and Safety Planning

Technology can be used to increase the safety of domestic violence survivors and assist their access to resources, but can also be used to harass, stalk, and monitor a survivor. This training introduces participants to issues around teenagers and technology use. With the passage of House Bill 19 (mandated education on teen dating violence prevention) and House Bill 10 (allowing teenagers to file for protection orders) domestic violence agencies must be prepared to address the needs of teenagers who might be accessing services. Technologies, such as social networking, cell phones, texting, and instant messaging play a large role in the lives of many teenagers, and participants will receive information about these forms of communication. Another important aspect of technology safety is data protection. It is imperative to learn about the ways in which electronic data (names, phone numbers, emails, addresses, pictures, etc.) is stored and used, and what the potential future consequences of sharing data might be. Therefore, technology safety is a critical component of safety planning with survivors, and participants on this teleconference will leave feeling more confident addressing issues of technology while safety planning.

Training Outline

1:30-3:00

The agenda includes:

- Updates on House Bill 10 and House Bill 19
- Different types of technology teens use
- Technology: How it can help and how it can hurt
- Safety planning and technology
- Increasing awareness about electronic data: Who has access, how it is stored, and how it can be used in the future

Training Facilitators

This training will be facilitated by ODVN staff.

Specific Training Details

Dates: July 21, 2010

Location: At your computer

Cost: FREE

Registration Deadline: July 10, 2010

What to expect:

- Updates on new Ohio legislation
- Information about existing and emerging technologies
- Insight about the pros and cons of technology use
- A better understanding of electronic data

Interested participants may request a free copy of

Survivors and Technology: An Interactive Safety Planning Tool (in English and Spanish)

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