

Welcome & Introductions

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PROMISING FUTURES: NATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING CENTER TO EXPAND SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND ABUSED PARENTS IMPACTED BY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



Why Have Children's Program in FVPSA

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- Children make up a majority of domestic violence shelter residents
- Men who abuse their wives and girlfriends also frequently abuse their children
- Children exposed to domestic violence are affected by it, sometimes deeply
- Mothers' decisions often built around needs of children
- By addressing needs of children we can prevent future violence



ESCYAP/Promising Futures Goals

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Expanding Services for Children, Youth and Abused Parents:

- Increase the field's capacity to serve children, youth and their caregivers
- Increase visibility and awareness on the need for effective, trauma informed, and culturally relevant work with children exposed to violence



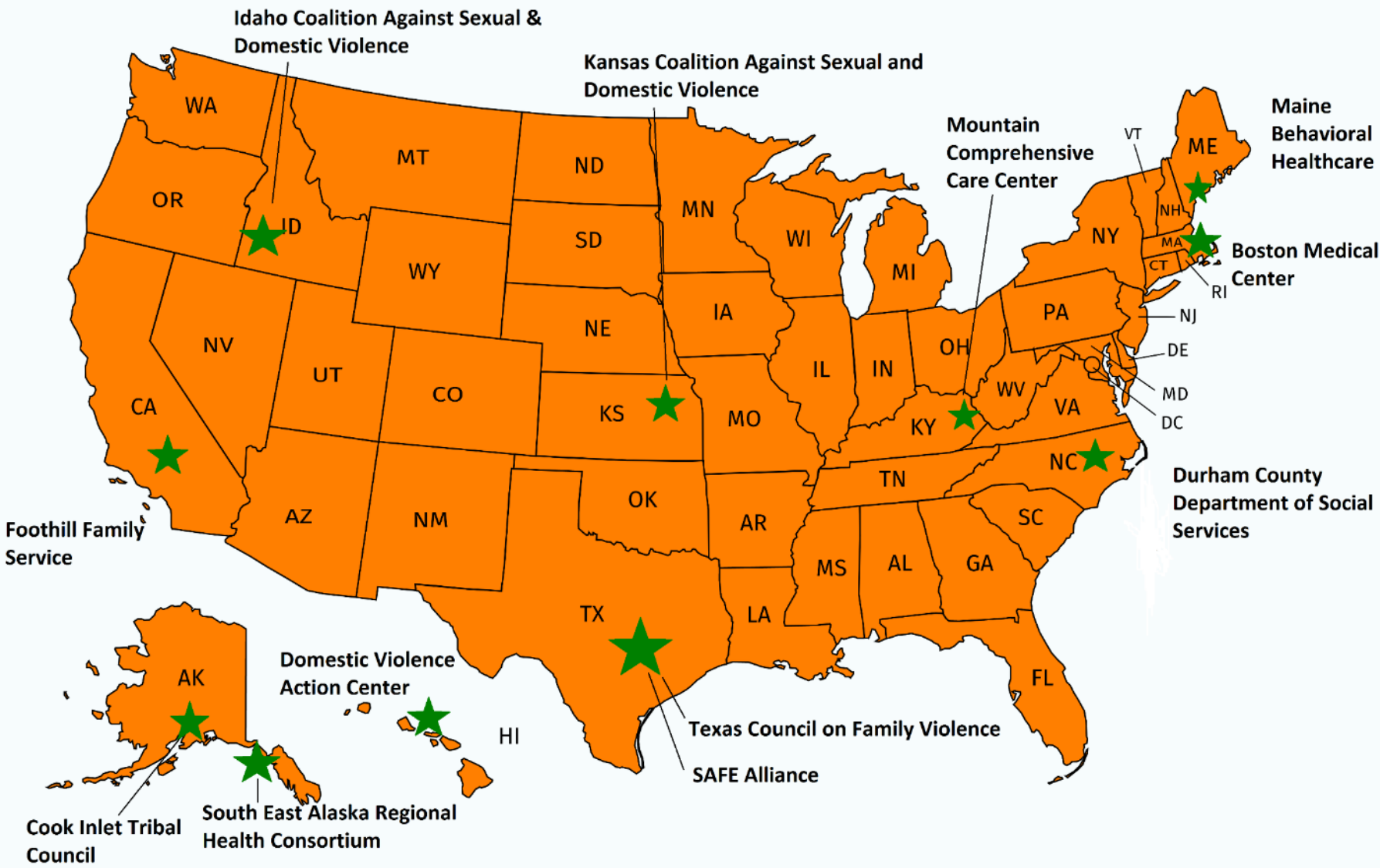
Capacity Building Center website:

www.promisingfutureswithoutviolence.org

Resources, training curriculums, database of interventions and capacity building tools.



Map of SSAPC Sites



Specialized Services for Abused Parents & Children

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Goals:

- Improve systems and responses to parent and child survivors of DV
- Develop or enhance residential and non-residential services for children and youth
- Enhance evidence-informed and practice-informed services, strategies, advocacy and interventions for child and youth survivors of DV



Current Evaluation Efforts

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Goals for outcomes

- Brief, usable by DV programs and other settings
- Not complicated, apply broadly
- Based on evidence
- For parents, children, practitioners, and collaborative partners
- FVPSA Outcome items (I know more ways to plan for my safety, I know more about community resources) are correlated with longer-term improved safety and well-being in experimental RCT studies.



Common Outcome Measures

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Parents:

- I have the tools and information to plan for my children's (child's) safety.
- I feel confident as a parent.
- I am comfortable talking with my children (child) about things that matter to us.
- I understand the various impacts that DV has had on my child/children.

Children Over Age 8:

- I know ways to get help when I am scared or upset.
- I understand that the troubles in my family are not my fault.
- I understand the troubles in my family.
- I am comfortable talking with my parent(s) about things that matter to me



Opportunities

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- ✓ Paradigm Shift - recognizing the inextricable link between non-abusing parents and children and prioritize services that build their relationship and support well being for ALL family members.
- ✓ Access TA/Training/Peer Support
- ✓ Partner with Coalitions & Programs
- ✓ Leverage and Coordinate Existing Resources
- ✓ Revisit Funding Requirements
- ✓ Support Programs to Build Capacity
- ✓ Prioritize Culturally specific strategies
- ✓ Promote Evidence Based, Trauma informed, and research informed practice
- ✓ Keep the Conversation Going
- ✓ What Else?



Group Discussion

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Where are your programs on this?

Concerns? Opportunities?

Successes, challenges?

Needs or gaps?

Next steps?

