UPCOMING MEETINGS

**May 2011 MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Shelter Coordinators Meeting**  
Friday, May 13, 2011 10:00am-1:00pm

**Coalition Membership Meeting**  
Thursday, May 19, 2011 10:30am-1:00pm

**NJCBW Board of Trustees Meeting**  
Thursday, May 19, 2011 1:00pm-3:00pm

**June 2011 MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Women of Color Task Force**  
Friday June 4, 2011 10:00am-1:00pm

**Reception and Book Signing Featuring Victor Rivas Rivers By NJCBW and Women Aware**  
Tuesday, June 7, 2011 6:30pm  
The Heldrich Hotel New Brunswick, NJ

**NJADVP 9th Annual Conference**  
Wednesday, June 8, 2011 8:00am-4:00pm

**Human Trafficking Task Force Meeting**  
Wednesday June 22, 2011 10:30am-1:00pm

UPCOMING NJCBW INSTITUTE TRAININGS

**May 2011 TRAINING SCHEDULE**

**May 11, 2011**  
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
**Boundaries: Your Right, Your Responsibility**  
**Tracy Durkin, LCSW**

When you interact with others you are entitled to choose your actions to protect your personal rights and individuality. This choice involves understanding and maintaining boundaries. Boundaries are necessary to establish personal space, physical and emotional safety, and behavioral roles and expectations, in all relationships and settings. This workshop will examine common boundary mistakes as well as “solutions” for those mistakes, particularly in family violence situations. Issues of power related to gender, race, class and other hierarchal social structures will be discussed as they relate to how boundaries are both respected and violated.  

**5 DVS Credits: Values and Attitudes**  
$15 Program staff; $50 Non-Program Staff

**May 18, 2011**  
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
**Creative Techniques: Healing the Wounds of Domestic Violence Robbin Loonan, MA, DVS, LPC**

This interactive, experiential workshop is designed for professionals in the field of domestic violence and child abuse. The workshop will give participants a litany of tools to use when working with both adult and child survivors of abuse. Offering practical solutions to the challenges faced by helpers, the workshop is geared to those who are interested in engaging, assessing, and empowering families and individuals who have been impacted by family violence. Play therapy, Psychodrama, Art Therapy, Journaling, and other techniques will be presented.
May 25, 2011
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Effective Training Techniques for Law Enforcement:
Breaching the Divide Between Law Enforcement and Service
Phyllis Adams, MA, MSW
This Workshop will address the different needs, goals and concerns of law enforcement and the service provider community to reveal how in fact they have the same goals, reinforcing the purpose behind a coordinated response. We will explore a historical perspective of the changing responsibilities of law enforcement and how those changes impact the concerns of officers in the field. Specifically, we will focus on the needs interests and job realities of law enforcement and service providers, particularly discussing the areas in which they coincide. There will be an overview of the concept of interactive training to maximize the learning opportunity with officers. In addition we will discuss specific interventions for domestic violence incidents where the perpetrator is a police officer.

2 DVS Credits: Community Resources and Networking & 1 DVS Credit: Intervention
$10.00 Program Staff; $35.00 Non-Program Staff

June 2011 TRAINING SCHEDULE

June 22, 2011
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Teen Dating Violence
Leslie Malkin, JD
This course will examine the basics of teen dating violence. Participants will gain an understanding of the warning signs and ways to advocate for a teen victim. We will discuss the tensions between mandatory reporting requirements and confidentiality. Technology abuse will also be explored.

3 DVS Credits: Special populations
$10 Program Staff; $35 Non-Program Staff

SERVICE ANIMALS in DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS

All of the domestic violence programs in NJ are mandated to accept service animals under Title III of the ADA because domestic violence programs receive state funds and/or federal funds. It is very important to note that a victim denied access to services based on the fact that they have a service animal it is a violation of the federal ADA and the NJ Anti-Discrimination Act.

Below is some actual language from the law. I have included a link on the bottom that explains the law in plain terms.

Of all sections of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title III references service animals most directly. Title III prohibits discrimination of people with disabilities in public accommodations and services operated by private entities. Section 12182(b)(2)(A) clarifies specific prohibitions on discrimination on the basis of disability, and includes in the definition of discrimination:

a failure to make reasonable modifications in policies, practices, or procedures, when such modifications are necessary to afford such goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations to individuals with disabilities, unless the entity can demonstrate that making such modifications would fundamentally alter the nature of such goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations. (42 USC 12182(b)(2)(A)(ii))

http://www.ada.gov/svcanimb.htm

Please plan to come to the May NJCBW Membership Meeting for a full discussion of this issue.

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