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#### Prevention Works! Foundations for Preventing Dating and Sexual Violence among Adolescents

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#### Before We Begin

- Workshop (other than breakouts) recorded
- We will have two 10-minute breaks
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- Use the chat feature for questions & comments
- There will be breakout sessions (unmute)
- We will have three 10-minute Q&A sessions



#### Who are we?

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#### Today's Agenda

- What are the definitions, rates, causes, and outcomes associated with dating and sexual violence (DSV)?
- What are the foundations on which effective DSV prevention initiatives are built?
- What initiatives are effective at preventing DSV?
- How do you determine if your DSV initiative is effective?
- What are the most effective ways to support survivors of DSV?
- How can I learn more and/or collaborate with others?











## What are the definitions, rates, causes, and outcomes associated with DSV?

#### Terminology

- Dating violence
- Sexual violence







#### About **1 in 4 women** and **1 in 10 men** experienced contact sexual violence, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner and reported an IPV-related impact during their lifetime.



#### 1 in 5 women

experienced completed or attempted rape during her lifetime.

#### 1 in 14 men

was made to penetrate someone (completed or attempted) during his lifetime.

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#### Dating and Sexual Violence among Nebraska High School Students





#### Bullying among Nebraska High School Students

21.3%



Bullying (School Property)

Bulllying (Electronic)



#### Sexual Harassment

 83% of middle and high school girls have been sexually harassed

 78% of middle and high school boys have been sexually harassed



# Past 6-month sexual violence among middle and high school students





#### Did You Know?

Boys and girls can be victims and perpetrators of dating and sexual violence.

Victimization and perpetration sometimes cooccur in relationships.

Sexual and gender minority youth are at increased risk to experience dating and sexual violence.



#### **Minority Stress Model**



Internalized Homophobia/ Biphobia/ Transphobia and Identity Concealment



Health Outcomes, including DSV







#### Consequences of Dating and Sexual Violence

Sexual and dating violence

Domains: Physical Social Academic Psychological Behavioral



#### Academic Outcomes

• Higher academic-related stress

- Lower academic efficacy and poorer grades
- Higher drop-out rates







**Recent estimates** put the cost of rape at \$122,461 per victim, including medical costs, lost productivity, criminal justice activities, and other costs.





#### **Good News!**

#### PREVENTION = KNOWLEDGE + SKILLS + ACTION







#### Social Ecological Model





#### **Risk Factors for Sexual Violence Perpetration**





#### In small groups...



# What do you see as risk and protective factors for violence?



#### Summary

 Risk and protective factors for dating and sexual violence exist at all levels of the social ecological model

 Prevention initiatives can target different levels of the social ecological model













# SS Break 10 minutes





## What are the foundations on which effective DSV prevention initiatives are built?

#### Levels of Prevention





#### **Community Needs Assessment**

- What is the scope of a problem in your community?
- What solutions have already been tried?
- How do different groups see the problem?
- What risk and protective factors exist?
- What resources exist to address the problem?
- Community needs assessment resources
  - <u>https://go.unl.edu/nsvrc</u>
  - <u>https://go.unl.edu/samhsa</u>



#### How to Use a Needs Assessment

- Foundation for strategic planning
- Input for adaptation and choice of prevention or response strategies
- Foundation for building a coordinated community response
- Making the case for needed resources





#### Dimensions of Community Readiness

- Community efforts
- Community knowledge of efforts
- Leadership
- Community climate
- Community knowledge
- Resources





#### Conducting a Community Readiness Assessment

Handbook available here:
<u>https://go.unl.edu/ndhealth</u>



 Feel free to contact Dr. Edwards for assistance and consultation!


## The Importance of a Logic Model

- What is a logic model?
- Why is a logic model important?





## What is a Logic Model?

- A graphic depiction or road map that presents relationships between components that impact your program
- Logic models are useful:
  - Plan, allocate, and track resources
  - Inform and guide evaluation
  - Useful for process and outcome evaluation



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## Logic Model: Taking a Vacation



## Youth VIP Logic Model

<u>Inputs</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Outputs</u>	<u>Short-term</u> Outcomes	Intermediate outcomes	<u>Long-term</u> Outcomes
Time	Overnight camps	Number of youth participants in	Increased readiness to help	Increased bystander intervention skills	Reductions in sexual violence (PO)
Grant funding	Working groups	various in-person activities	Increased sense of	Increased social	Reductions in
Community partners & staff	Action events	Number of adults	mattering	emotional learning skills	dating violence (SO)
Facilities & supplies	Social media presence	engaged in various in-person activities	Increased future orientation	Increased	Reductions in bullying (SO)
IRB approvals	Research & evaluation	Number of youth and adults engaged	Increased perceptions of	understanding of social norms	
		on social media	positive social norms	Increased diffusion skills	
			Increased connection to positive adult role models	Increased appreciation of and/or connection to Lakota culture	





# What initiatives are effective at preventing dating and sexual violence?

## What Does Not Work?

Brief, psychoeducational programs

X Awareness- and knowledge-based programs





## **Effective Primary** Prevention



VARIED TEACHING METHODS Strategies should be interactive and encourage skill-building.



SUFFICIENT DOSAGE Activities should be held frequently to have an effect and measure impact.

THEORY DRIVEN Strategies should have scientific backing or logical rationale.



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CULTIVATE POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS The most effective programs emphasize positive, healthy relationships.

#### COMPREHENSIVE

Programs are one piece of the prevention puzzle, and must be integrated with other efforts.





APPROPRIATELY TIMED Efforts should be timed in a way to maximize impact in the lives of participants.



SOCIO-CULTURALLY RELEVANT Programs should be tailored to cultural beliefs as well as community norms.



WELL-TRAINED STAFF Staff should be sensitive, competent and receive adequate training & supervision.

OUTCOME EVALUATED Evaluation is crucial to determining program efficacy and measuring outcomes.



## What WORKS?



## **Positive Youth Development**

#### CONNECTION

A feeling of safety, structure, and belonging; positive bonds with people and social institutions

## COMPETENCE

The ability to act effectively in school, in social situations, and at work

## CONFIDENCE

A sense of self-worth and mastery; having a belief in one's capacity to succeed

Effective youth engagement is not just about "fixing" behavior problems. It's about building and nurturing "all the beliefs, behaviors, knowledge, attributes and skills that result in a healthy and productive adolescence and adulthood.<sup>1</sup>" This approach from Karen Pittman is supported by resiliency research as well as the emergence of 40 Developmental Assets identified by the Search Institute. The 5 C's is a framework for understanding positive youth development outcomes<sup>2</sup>.

#### CHARACTER

Taking responsibility; a sense of independence and individuality; connection to principles and values

## CONTRIBUTION

Active participation and leadership in a variety of settings; making a difference

#### CARING\*

Sympathy and empathy for others; commitment to social justice

In his 2007 book
 "The Good Teen,"
 Richard M. Lerner
 included this
 additional outcome



## Social Emotional Skills





## Social Emotional Learning Programs

- Example: Second Step
  - https://go.unl.edu/secondstep
- Others are reviewed here:

- https://go.unl.edu/casel





## Healthy Relationship Skills

Fourth R

- https://go.unl.edu/fourthR

#### **The Fourth R** Strategies for Healthy Youth Relationships

- Safe Dates
  - https://go.unl.edu/safedate
- Dating Matters

- https://go.unl.edu/datingmatters







## **Dual-Gender Programs**



 Focus primarily on sexual violence

- Goals

   Girls
  - Boys



## Empowerment Self-Defense

- Recognizing the continuum of sexual violence
- Skills to respond to a potential sexual assault

   Verbal skills
  - Physical skills
- Empowerment
  - "I learned that I am worth defending"



## Skill Building







#### Outcomes of Empowerment Self-Defense





## Examples

- Enhance, Access, Acknowledge, Act (EAAA)
  - https://go.unl.edu/eaaa
- IMpower United
  - https://go.unl.edu/impower



## The Mask You Live In





## Examples

- Coaching Boys into Men
  - https://go.unl.edu/coach



- Men's Workshop
  - https://go.unl.edu/menworkshop
- Maine Boys to Men
  - https://go.unl.edu/maine





## **Bystanders** What is a bystander?











#### Tips for Bystander Intervention

Safety

Creative solutions -Direct intervention -Distraction

Power in numbers

Go to people





On a group text, you hear that a classmate, Taylor, was forced by Jordan to have sex. Some people are expressing concern for Taylor and others are making fun of what happened.

# Scenario 1





You notice your friend Hanna's phone is blowing up with texts from her partner Alex. Hanna looks uncomfortable or upset by the texts. Alex seems to be checking in on Hannah to see where she is, who she is with etc.

# Scenario 2





Bystander Intervention Training Programs with Demonstrated Effectiveness

- Green Dot
  - https://go.unl.edu/greendot
- Bringing in the Bystander
  <u>https://go.unl.edu/bystander</u>
- Coaching Boys into Men <u>https://go.unl.edu/coach</u>





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# What are social norms?



## Social Norms

- Misperceptions of social norms
  - Underestimate the good
  - Overestimate the bad
- Misperceptions predict violence perpetration, substance use, etc.













## **Program Examples**

Know Your Power

- https://go.unl.edu/knowpower

• More information:

- https://go.unl.edu/preventconnect





## Hot Spot Mapping







## Hot Spot Mapping

Increase awareness of hot spot areas

- Increases in bystander presence in these areas
  - School personnel
- Other ideas?





## Comprehensive prevention...

 Targets multiple layers of the social ecological model





## Background

- Few sexual violence (SV) primary prevention initiatives for youth exist
- Engaging youth as leaders in development/implementation of initiatives
  - Innovative
  - Lack of understanding as to how to empower youth



## **Diffusion Skills**





## **Examples of Diffusion**

Conversations

Social media

- Being a positive bystander
- Practicing what you learn



#### YOUTH VIP Voices in Prevention

#### **Personal Plan of Action**

#### Conversations

What you heard from the first speaker at the beginning of camp was called a motivational speech. Now, we want you to write your own speech so that you can communicate these ideas to others. Below are some questions to help you write your speech.

- 1. What is the problem?
- 2. What is the good news?
- 3. Why are you inspired to make a difference?
- 4. What are you asking your friends/peers to do about it? (think back to what you've learned.)
- 5. Who are at least 10 people you can have conversations with? Try to think of friends who are the most influential in your school/social group!

#### Social Media
#### YOUTH VIP VOICES IN PREVENTION

Social media is powerful and can make a difference. Apps like Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and Twitter can all be used to talk about what you've learned here!

What can you commit to? What will you post on your personal social media pages each week (or more) to show that everyone has a role to play in ending sexual violence and that sexual violence is not accepted in our community? What can you post to show your peers HOW they can be part of this movement? Will you share statistics with them, skills that you learned, or information about Youth VIP events?

Please write out plans for 10 social media posts that you can share over the next few weeks; if you have more ideas, use the back of your worksheet!

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.

#### Being a Positive Bystander!

#### YOUTH VIP VOICES IN PREVENTION

Write down a few situations where you can intervene in situations of sexual assault or harassment. What will you do with the new skills you've gained?
Situation 1:
Action 1:
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Situation 2:
Action 2:
Situation 3:
Action 3
Situation 4:
Action 4:

#### How will you practice what you learned?

What will you do each day to continue to practice these skills so you can be happy and healthy and help other youth be happy and healthy too? Write down some personal goals you have for yourself and how you will inspire other youth to have similar goals as well!

## Adults as Prevention Partners

Adults matter!

- Engaging adults
  - Working alongside youth to develop & implement programming
  - Parental monitoring
  - Conversations
  - Modeling
  - What else?















# SS Break 10 minutes





# What is fidelity? Why is it important?



#### Adaptations



Green light: encouraged changes to adapt to the context



Yellow light: make with caution- consult experts



**Red light: compromise the core components** 

Source: Etr.org



## What type of program(s) would work best for your community and why?







## How do you determine if your DSV initiative is effective?

### **Evaluation Questions**

- Have program activities been implemented as intended and results in certain outputs?
   Process evaluation
- Is the program effective in reaching the desired outcomes?
  - Outcome evaluation (survey data)
- Evaluation should match your logic model



#### Acceptability

- Open-ended survey questions and/or qualitative interviews
  - What did you like most? Least?
  - What skills did you learn?
  - How will you put the skills you learned into action?





## **Outcome Evaluation**

- Pre- and post- surveys
  - Knowledge, attitudes, behaviors
- Considerations
  - Guardian consent
  - Ethics committee approval
  - Use validated instruments relevant to your population
    - <u>https://go.unl.edu/PreventionInnovations</u>
    - <u>https://go.unl.edu/CDCEval</u>
    - <u>https://go.unl.edu/cdctools</u>
  - Don't try to measure everything (link to logic model)
  - Sufficient sample size
  - Resource intensive (e.g., recruitment strategies)
  - Data trustworthiness and analyses
  - Partner with researchers



## Using Data

- Identification of strengths and areas of growth
- Track changes over time as a function of initiatives
- Create targeted prevention messages
   Social norms





# What are the most effective ways to support survivors of DSV?



#### Social networks are very important for recovery





# What are helpful things to say?





### Helpful Things to Say







# What are unhelpful things to say?





#### **Responses That Are Not Empathetic**





#### Disclosure





## HEARSS

**H**EARING (listening in a reflective way)

**E** MPATHIZE

A LIGN (support the person in the way they need)

**RESOURCES** (list resources, if appropriate)

STICK with feelings (allow victim and you to feel what you feel)

SUPPORT yourself (honor your own emotional, physical and spiritual needs)



#### You Don't Have to Say Anything to Be Supportive!



Be present - stay in the moment



Be attentive and show you are listening



Eye contact, Fleeting



Passive/supportive face







Validate emotions







# How do I learn more and/or collaborate with others?

#### Collaborating with Programmers and Researchers

- Partner with researchers
- Partner with crisis centers
  - https://go.unl.edu/NEcoalition
- Technical assistance
- Access resources











#### Feedback Survey

#### https://go.unl.edu/PostWorkshopSurvey







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#### Additional Resources Shared During Live Training

- Stop SV: <u>Https://Www.Cdc.Gov/Violenceprevention/Pdf/Sv-prevention-technical-package.Pdf</u>
- Teen Dating Violence: <u>Https://Www.Cdc.Gov/Violenceprevention/Intimatepartnerviolence/Teendatingviolence/Fastfact.Html</u>
- Preventing Bullying: <u>Https://Www.Cdc.Gov/Violenceprevention/Youthviolence/Bullyingresearch/Fastfact.Html</u>
- Preventing Aces: <u>Https://Www.Cdc.Gov/Violenceprevention/Aces/Fastfact.Html</u>
- Pod Mapping: <u>Https://Batjc.Wordpress.Com/Pods-and-pod-mapping-worksheet/</u>
- SD Aces And Resiliency: <u>Https://Sdcpcm.Com/Program/Aces/</u>
- Aces Lifetime Impact Talk: <u>Https://Www.Ted.Com/Talks/Nadine\_burke\_harris\_how\_childhood\_trauma\_affects\_health\_across\_a\_lifetime?Language=en</u>
- Consent Is Like Tea: <u>Https://Www.Youtube.Com/Watch?V=oqbei5jgit8</u>
- NE Local DV/SA Programs: <u>Https://Www.Nebraskacoalition.Org/Get\_help/</u>
- Rights, Respect, Responsibility (3R): <u>Https://3rs.Org/3rs-curriculum/3rs-curric-search/?\_Sft\_topic=consent</u>
- Women's Fund, Askable Adult Training: <u>Https://Www.Omahawomensfund.Org/</u> Or Email: <u>Lschulze@omahawomensfund.Org</u>
- SD Stronger Youth Program: <u>Https://Www.Youthandfamilyservices.Org/Stronger-family/</u> Or Phone: (605) 791-5025
- FLASH, Sexual Health Education Curriculum: <u>Https://Kingcounty.Gov/Depts/Health/Locations/Family-planning/Education/FLASH.Aspx</u>
- NE LGBTQ+ youth resources: <u>Https://Outnebraska.Org</u>
- Healthy Relationships For Youth: <u>Https://Www.Loveisrespect.Org/</u>
- K-12 Friendly , Sexual Health Education: <u>Https://Amaze.Org/</u>
- Bystander, Consent, & Victim Blaming Workshop: <u>Https://Www.Catharsisproductions.Com/Programs/The-force-of-awesome-institute/</u>
- Bystander Scenarios: <u>Https://Nomore.Org/Learn/Bystander-scenarios/</u>
- Bystander Resource: <u>Https://Www.Ihollaback.Org/Stand-street-harassment/</u>
- Bystander Resource: <u>Https://Www.Ihollaback.Org/App/Uploads/2016/11/Show-up\_cupxhollaback.Pdf</u>
- Bystander Resource: <u>https://www.nsvrc.org/sites/default/files/2018-02/publications\_nsvrc\_tip-sheet\_bystander-intervention-tips-and-strategies\_1.pdf</u>