# CORE COMPETENCY TRAINING SERIES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCATES

The New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NYSCADV) is pleased to present this training series.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

This curriculum was developed by NYSCADV to assist in the training, onboarding and the professional development of domestic violence advocates within New York State. Upon completion of the Core Competency Training Series for Domestic Violence Advocates, advocates will have built a foundation of knowledge that will prepare them for their work serving survivors of domestic violence, including being able to assist survivors in navigating various systems and helping services in their community.





#### CORE COMPETENCIES

This training is designed to build several core competencies. It focuses on how to provide services and supports through a trauma-informed, culturally responsive, healing centered lens to increase access and inclusion and address barriers to accessing supports, including:

- Accessing safe and affordable housing
- Accessing services in the community that increase financial stability
- Active listening skills
- Affects of domestic violence on family dynamics and non-offending parents
- Survivor-centered safety planning
- Coordinated Community Response to domestic violence
- Helping survivors navigate systems: criminal justice, family court, social services and child welfare
- How intersectional oppressions can create obstacles to help seeking
- How experience of trauma can affect survivors and create obstacles to help seeking
- Impacts of childhood exposure to domestic violence

### **TOPIC AREAS AT A GLANCE**

- Best Practices for Protecting Confidentiality
- Creating Social Change through Prevention: A Primary Prevention Primer
- Coordinated Community Response
- Essential Knowledge for Navigating the Criminal
  & Family Court Systems
- Herstory of Domestic Violence
- Hotline Intake, Crisis Intervention and Advocacy
- Individual and Organizational Self-Care
- Intersections of Oppression: Creating Culturally Responsive Services
- Nature & Dynamics of Domestic Violence
- Technology Safety
- The Role of the Advocate
- Understanding Trauma and Its Impacts
- Working with Survivors with Mental Health and Substance Use
- Working with Child-Welfare Involved Survivors



## TRAINING TESTIMONIALS

"A big thank you from my team for the hours NYSCADV put in to help us all be on the same page with providing trauma-informed services and how to best take care and emotionally protect ourselves in the work we do."

- Member Program

"That Intro to DV training, was fantastic."

- Member Program

"I've been in the field for 12 years and I feel this was a very good training."

- Member Program