

SUPPORTING CLIENTS WITH IPV (INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE) EXPERIENCES

This workshop provides an overview of experiences of dating and relationship violence, focusing on recognition, identification, and some response strategies such as safety planning. Participants will explore some of the unique dynamics and challenges faced by individuals experiencing IPV in relationships, including barriers to seeking help and accessing support services due to biases and discrimination. The workshop will also cover strategies for providing culturally competent and inclusive support for marginalized survivors, such as BIPOC, LGBTQIA+ survivors, and survivors with disabilities. Information on safety planning, as well as resources available for prevention and intervention will be provided.

Objectives:

- Recognize many of the ways IPV takes place, including the unique aspects of IPV in survivors in marginalized communities and the different factors that impact IPV survivors such as biases and discrimination in healthcare and laws.
- Develop skills for addressing the fragmentations of self-esteem, identity, and sense of safety experienced by survivors of IPV, with a focus on promoting healing, resilience, and empowerment.
- Develop a safety plan for working with clients who are victims of IPV for each stage of the leaving process.



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Time: 9am - 12pm

Location: Online via Zoom

Cost: \$59

CE Credits: 3.0

Course Level: Beginner

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