



## Domestic & Sexual Violence Trainings for Housing and Shelter Providers

### Summer and Fall 2024 Online Training Calendar

**Overview:** The JOHS DSV Team's is offering regular and ongoing training for housing providers in the Adult, Family and Youth Systems of Care to deepen skills for recognizing and responding to domestic and sexual violence.

Domestic and sexual violence is a primary cause of homelessness for women and children, and often creates significant barriers to obtaining and retaining housing. These workshops are designed for non-DSV housing and shelter providers to build skills for working with survivors who are accessing housing services.

Through the DV 101-103 series, attendees will learn about the dynamics of abuse, basic interventions for addressing abuse including safety planning, systems navigation and housing advocacy skills. Advanced and special topic workshops are intended to provide an in-depth understanding of compliance requirements for programs receiving funding through HUD's Continuum of Care programs. Additional dates and topics will be added at a later date.

**Training Facilitator:** Jaidra Hennessey - JOHS DSV Technical Assistance Program Specialist. Jaidra has worked at the intersection of homelessness and



domestic violence for two decades, developing a focus on housing protections and systems navigation with survivors.

**For more information or to request additional training or topics:** Please contact Jaidra Hennessey - DSV Technical Assistance Program Specialist [jaidra.hennessey@multco.us](mailto:jaidra.hennessey@multco.us) with questions or technical assistance needs.

**DSV Office Hours:** Jaidra also holds weekly office hours via Google Meet for providers who have needs, questions or concerns related to domestic or sexual violence. Office hours are held on [Tuesdays from 1pm-3pm](#)

**Agency-based training requests:** Please complete the [DSV Training Request](#) if you would like to schedule a training session for your team.

## Registration:

**Online Workshops:** Please register using the links below. Online workshops will be held via Google Meet. You do not need a Google account to attend the training sessions. The link to the workshop will be shared with you automatically after completing the registration form and will also be re-sent to everyone who is registered 24 hours before the date of the workshop. Taking the workshops in order is highly recommended but not required. There is not a cap on the number of registrants for online workshops.



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**In-person Workshops:** Based on provider feedback, **in person workshops** will be offered in fall of 2024. Dates TBD...

## Summer and Fall 2024 Schedule:

Date	Time	Topic	Format
July 31, 2024	1pm-3pm	<a href="#">DV 101: Understanding &amp; Responding to Abuse</a>	Online - Google Meet
August 28, 2024	1pm-3pm	<a href="#">DV 102: Strategies for Increasing Safety</a>	Online - Google Meet
September 25, 2024	1pm-3pm	<a href="#">DV 103: Survivor-Focused Housing Advocacy</a>	Online - Google Meet
October 16, 2024	1:30pm-3pm	<a href="#">Sexual Assault 101</a>	Online - Google Meet
October 17, 2024	10am-12pm	<a href="#">DV 101: Understanding &amp; Responding to Abuse</a>	Online - Google Meet
October 23, 2024	10am-12pm	<a href="#">VAWA Implementation for the Multnomah County CoC</a>	Online - Google Meet
November 21, 2024	10am-12pm	<a href="#">DV 102: Strategies for Increasing Safety</a>	Online - Google Meet
December 19, 2024	10am-12pm	<a href="#">DV 103: Survivor-Focused Housing Advocacy</a>	Online - Google Meet



## Workshop Descriptions:

### DV 101: Understanding & Responding to Abuse

**Description:** Develop foundational skills to recognize abusive relationship dynamics and respond in a trauma-informed, survivor-centered approach.

**Intended Audience:** This workshop was developed for housing providers who may encounter people experiencing abuse in their day to day work.

#### Learning objectives:

- Define different types of abuse
- Recognize power & control dynamics
- Avoid victim blaming behaviors
- Learn strategies for addressing concerns of abuse participants while prioritizing safety and confidentiality
- Practice skills around active listening, trauma-informed care, and person-centered services

### DV 102: Supporting Survivors with Increasing Safety and Accessing Services

**Description:** Building on the concepts learned in DV 101, this workshop explores strategies for increasing safety and navigating survivor-focused resources in our community. Completion of DV 101 is highly recommended but not required.



**Learning Objectives:**

- Develop skills for creating safety plans
- Deepen knowledge of DSV System & Services
- Identify opportunities for co-advocacy with DSV system
- Understand legal options for survivors

**DV 103: Survivor-Focused Housing Advocacy Skills**

**Description:** Survivors of domestic and sexual violence are provided many housing protections at the state and federal levels. This workshop outlines these protections and how to use them as tools for reducing barriers and increasing access to permanent housing placement opportunities for survivors.

**Intended Audience:** This training opportunity is appropriate for and open to housing providers throughout the community.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Increase knowledge about housing protections for survivors of DSV, including VAWA, the Fair Housing Act, and Oregon Landlord Tenant law
- Develop strategies for assisting participants in overcoming barriers to housing related to abuse
- Assist survivors in understanding their rights
- Identify legal resources for survivors who have experienced discrimination related to their abuse



## Sexual Assault 101

**Description:** Explore the dynamics of sexual violence, its root causes and resources for supporting survivors of sexual violence.

**Intended Audience:** This workshop was developed for housing providers who may encounter people experiencing abuse in their day to day work.

**Learning objectives:**

- Define types of sexual abuse
- Examine the prevalence of sexual violence in society
- Explore barriers to safety for survivors of abuse
- Understand the rights of survivors
- Increase understanding of community resources

## VAWA Implementation for Multnomah County CoC

**Description:** Training for Continuum of Care-funded programs on implementation of the Violence Against Women Act as required by HUD. Topics covered include VAWA Housing Rights, confidentiality, compliance and enforcement and VAWA Emergency Transfers.

**Intended Audience:** Housing Provider Agency Leadership and decision makers.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Develop understanding of the Violence Against Women Act's Housing Rights



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- Deepen knowledge of VAWA's regulatory and statutory requirements for CoC Programs
- Strengthen understanding of VAWA documentation and when to use it.
- Understand the Multnomah County CoC Emergency Transfer Plan and how to implement it in your programming.