



Preventing Violence through Education,
Networking and Technical Assistance

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Praise for PREVENT Training:

"Your institute is continuously teaching me new strategies for prevention efforts."

"I learned new things and was surprised to grasp new ways of looking at topics I had felt like I was very knowledgeable about at the start."

"You provided a valuable resource and opportunity for prevention professionals, advocates and others working in prevention."

"The institute was excellent, informational, thought-provoking and most of all provided opportunity to network."

"PREVENT has taken on a very ambitious goal of generating a new form of leadership and practice for the field of violence prevention. It deserves to be commended."

"Thank you for a really great experience and the opportunity to enhance our team's ability to collaborate effectively."

Stopping Violence Before It Starts

Primary prevention of violence – in all its forms – is increasingly being recognized as a goal worthy of vigorous and sustained attention. Practical experiences, coupled with scientific discoveries, are helping to enhance the understanding of violence prevention and stimulating communities across the nation to take action. The PREVENT Program is designed to facilitate primary prevention through education, networking and technical assistance for individuals and organizations from a variety of backgrounds.

Team-Based Training

PREVENT seeks to build individual skills and organizational effectiveness through two levels of team-based education:

- **PREVENT Workshop: Moving Towards Violence Prevention**

A two-day workshop for violence prevention teams that focuses on defining and understanding the concept of primary prevention of violence as well as introducing strategic program planning processes. Teams who work in the area of violence prevention – whether it is domestic violence, sexual violence, youth violence, child maltreatment, or suicide prevention -- will benefit from this workshop. Workshops will be held in multiple locations each year.

- **PREVENT Institute: Developing Leaders in Violence Prevention**

An intensive, six-month team training program that will help teams develop leadership skills, create strategic partnerships, plan prevention programs and measure success. Two in-person residential training sessions over six months will be coupled with action learning and technical assistance to support project work between sessions.

Peer Networking

PREVENT fosters networking, both in person and over the web, that will help violence prevention organizations find common ground, learn from each other and combine efforts. PREVENT training programs link peers across the country and help participants identify and work with new partners to facilitate sustainable collaborations for violence prevention.

Technical Assistance

By targeting change in both individuals and organizations, PREVENT aims to stimulate more effective and broad-based approaches to preventing violence. We do this by providing support for participants beyond the traditional classroom setting. Experienced PREVENT advisors will help teams solve the practical problems they encounter in examining community needs and assets, identifying program options, and designing, implementing and evaluating sustainable programs.

Strength in Partnership

Strong partnerships underscore our work. Our steering committee represents a broad range of leaders and practitioners in many violence-related fields and from diverse organizations. PREVENT engages partners with expertise in violence prevention practice and research including professionals at:

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Leading violence prevention and academic organizations from across the country
- The State and Territorial Injury Prevention Directors Association (STIPDA)
- The National Association of Injury Prevention Research Centers (NAICRC)

For more information about dates and locations of training opportunities or to sign up for our listserv, please visit our web site or contact us!

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