



# 2024 Summit on Domestic Violence & Child Welfare

## Resource Guide

### Organizations:

- [Alma Center](#)



*The Alma Center works to heal, transform and evolve the unresolved pain of trauma that fuels the continuation of cycles of violence, abuse and dysfunction in families and community. We work primarily with men at-risk or involved in the criminal justice system, with a particular focus on men who have a history of domestic violence.*

*Our vision is that healing-focused care becomes a leading approach for re-imagining the criminal justice system, particularly in regard to intervention and prevention of family violence, and moves the system toward more restorative and effective models.*

- [End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin](#)



*For advocates, survivors, & allies, End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin (End Abuse) is the only statewide coalition led by social policy advocates, attorneys, & experts working to support, connect, equip, empower, & lead social change organizations to end domestic abuse – because everyone deserves dignity & safety.*

*Our work to end domestic violence is multifaceted. Since 1978, our coalition has grown and expanded in how we've been able to serve survivors and advocates around Wisconsin. Our support of survivors and direct service agencies remains constant, even as our initiatives change in response to the national anti-oppression landscape. As we center survivors in our work against domestic violence, we recognize our role in a larger anti-oppression movement.*

- [Judicare Legal Aid](#)



*Judicare Legal Aid is a non-profit law firm dedicated to providing equal access to justice to Wisconsin residents. Located in the U.S. Bank Building in downtown Wausau, Judicare Legal Aid provides civil legal services to Wisconsin's Northern 33 counties and to Native Americans statewide. From its inception, Judicare Legal Aid (formerly Wisconsin Judicare) has emphasized the utilization of the private bar to represent low-income persons in conjunction with on-staff attorneys.*

- [RISE Law Center](#)



*RISE Law Center is a non-profit law office that prides itself on facilitating greater access and justice for underserved communities in Wisconsin. Over the last decade we have committed to providing culturally relevant legal representation to meet your family law, protection orders and immigration needs.*

*We partner with community agencies, law enforcement, other non-profit organizations and local domestic and sexual abuse service programs to offer a holistic array of services to meet client needs. In addition to direct services, each of our attorneys advocate for social justice through providing community training and educational programming, local and national policy committee work, and ongoing support and legal technical assistance to member programs.*

- [Wisconsin Batters Treatment Providers Association](#)



*The Wisconsin Batters Treatment Provider Association (WBTPA) was formed in the year 2000, to oversee the ongoing development and implementation of the State of Wisconsin Male Batters Treatment Standards.*

*These standards were developed in collaboration with the membership of the WBTPA and the Wisconsin Department of Corrections and were endorsed by the Wisconsin Governor's Council on Domestic Abuse in 2007.*

- [Zelia SHIFT](#)



*Self Healing, Inspiring Future Transformation (SHIFT) is for individuals who have acted in ways that caused hurt, harm or conflict in their intimate relationship, and who are seeking new conscious and responsible ways of being in relationship, whether it be with their spouse, ex-spouse, intimate partner or co-parent. Most people come to SHIFT because they are facing a crisis or a break-up of their relationship. For some people, it's not fully their choice to work on themselves, rather an outside entity, maybe their partner or a Court, is making them take a program. Some people come to SHIFT because they are seeking a "BIP" or "Domestic Violence Accountability Program." Zelia is a certified BIP provider in the State of Wisconsin.*

*Regardless how a person comes to SHIFT, we listen and we understand. At SHIFT we are not about blame, shame or judgment. We are about getting real and taking conscious responsibility for choices and behavior. Understanding does not mean we make or accept excuses for harm, rather it means we understand root causes of hurtful behavior.*

## **Upcoming Conferences:**

- 2025 WBTPA Conference, April 10-11 in Appleton, WI. *This year's conference theme is entitled Growing Your Brain – Theory and Overview of Male Intimate Partner Violence. Penelope Morrison, Ph.D., Penn State University, will show case her research regarding male IPV harm doers ranging from issues of accountability, harm doer insight into their change process, factors that contributed to their abusive behavior, and more. See the [CCIP resource page](#) for the conference overview.*

## **Written Resources:**

### [Barriers to Service Delivery for Families Experiencing Domestic Violence and Child Welfare Involvement](#)

A recent study published in the *Journal of Family Violence* examines challenges faced by child welfare and multisector professionals working with families experiencing domestic violence and barriers to service delivery. The study focuses on two perspectives—parents with lived experiences of domestic violence and child welfare professionals—and explores the complexities and risks inherent in this work.

### [Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Reporting](#)

The Head Start Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center (ECLKC) released an [updated resource](#) to help Head Start and Early Head Start staff understand and navigate situations involving domestic violence and potential child abuse. This guide provides practical tools and strategies for safely filing child abuse reports when domestic violence is present, emphasizing the importance of considering the unique risks and needs of each family.

### [Technical Assistance Guidance Series - Serving Black Women Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence](#)

This four-part resource from the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence was authored by Dr. Carolyn M. West in consultation with Doris O'Neal to give advocates the tools and practical strategies to identify, reach, and effectively serve Black women-identified survivors of intimate partner violence.

- **TAG 1** is a resource for creating survivor-centered, culturally responsive, trauma-informed, strengths-based care and advocacy that leads to real-world change.
- **TAG 2** supports advocates in taking an intersectional approach to providing services to Black survivors.
- **TAG 3** helps advocates to address reproductive coercion, non-fatal strangulation, and domestic homicide in the lives of Black survivors.
- **TAG 4** offers a “Web of Trauma” to better understand how Black survivors experience intimate partner violence within the context of historical trauma, structural violence, cultural violence, institutional violence, community violence, and family violence.