

Protocol Evaluation Project Brown Bag Training Series

Topic: Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence

*This training has been approved for CEU credit through AZ POST.
This training is provided at no cost to participants.*

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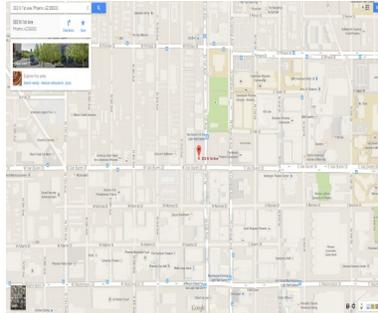
11:30am to 1:00pm

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Training Location:

Maricopa Association of
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Description:

This training will address the complex, and often misunderstood dynamics of being an immigrant survivor of sexual and/or domestic violence, and the unique challenges and pressures faced by this population. We will focus on myths surrounding reporting a crime, victim's rights, self-petitioning processes for victims.

Trainer: Alejandro Palacios, Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence

Alejandro joined the coalition in November 2013, as a trainer. He began his career in domestic violence advocacy on September 2010. Alejandro started as a volunteer for De Colores Domestic Violence shelter, which serves primarily monolingual Spanish speaking survivors of domestic violence. After being a volunteer for several months, Alejandro decided to become an intern legal advocate at De Colores. After the completion of his time as an intern, Alejandro started working part-time as a legal advocate, while also being a full time student at Arizona State University School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. On September 2011, Alejandro started working full time at the De Colores becoming the first male advocate for De Colores. While working as a legal advocate, Alejandro assisted victims of domestic violence to be educated on their victims' rights and comprehend the state's victim compensation program; furthermore, assist victims to complete a safety plan. Also, educate survivors on the order of protection process and how petition for an order of protection; as well, as to file for paternity and divorce processes and guided client's thought the court system. Alejandro also assisted survivors to self-petition under the VAWA process; as well, as to obtain U-Visa certifications from prosecutors and law enforcement.

These trainings are a part of a series coordinated by the Maricopa Association of Governments in partnership with Arizona Coalition To End Sexual and Domestic Violence, O'Connor House, Arizona Coalition for Victim Services, Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council and Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board. Training topics are intended for victim advocates, law enforcement, and/or prosecutors. The goal is to improve coordination, communication, and implementation of domestic violence protocols.

Training sessions will provide an opportunity to learn, as well as network with professionals who address domestic violence in our communities.

There is no cost to attend. Feel free to bring your lunch. Each session is open to the public.

*****Space is limited please RSVP.***