

Dating Abuse Training & Assistance (DATA) Program

A Partnership for Change (APFC) is a New Jersey-based non-profit organization dedicated to ending intimate partner violence through the provision of comprehensive educational programs. We are pleased to announce a new program, **DATA**, which is specifically designed for NJ Student Assistance Counselors.

DATA addresses the epidemic of teen dating abuse in our state as documented by our surveys of 13,000+ high school students in our PowerBack program (representing a diverse range of students in New Jersey). Surveys revealed:

- 70% of the girls and 62% of the boys said dating abuse is happening at their school
- 53% of girls and 38% of boys report one or more forms of abuse in a current or prior relationship!

After participating in **DATA**:

- ✓ 99% were able to define the dynamics, types and warning signs of teen dating violence
- ✓ 99% were able to identify strategies to effectively approach and support teens (includes addressing concerns of confidentiality)
- ✓ 98% were able to understand the components of a safety plan and how to properly document incidents on campus
- ✓ 99% were able to enhance understanding of policies and protocols that increase victim safety and hold abusers accountable

"Thank you! Best workshop I've attended in the last two years!" – School social worker

TIME & DATES:	See dates and times below for each site; you can register anywhere that is most convenient for you.
COST:	FREE of Charge. Materials, certificate and light refreshments are provided.
REGISTRATION:	REQUIRED. Seats are LIMITED. Email us at DATA@APartnershipForChange.org with the date to reserve your spot.
CEU's:	Teen Dating Abuse (Approval # 161005-1135R4), provided by APFC is approved for continuing education by the NJ Social Work Continuing Education Approval Collaborative, which is administered by NASW-NJ. CE Approval Collaborative Period: September 18, 2018 - August 31, 2020. NJ social workers will receive 4 general continuing education hours for participating in this course. Attendees must complete the entire class, and the evaluation; and sign the attendance sheet in order to receive credits.
PARKING:	All sites provide free parking.
PRESENTER:	Allison Bressler, MA, Co-Founder/Co-Director of APFC Ms. Bressler has counseled, and advocated for, hundreds of adult, teen and child victims of domestic violence/dating abuse in NY and NJ. She also serves as an expert witness on domestic abuse cases throughout the state. Ms. Bressler's expertise was recently called upon by <i>Scientific American Mind</i> magazine to contribute an article on intimate partner abuse in affluent communities.

Northern NJ Site: Bergen County Law & Public Safety Institute, 281 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah, NJ

Date: Tuesday, November 12 th 2019	Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Date: Thursday, May 14 th 2020	Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Central NJ Site: Holiday Inn Clark, 36 Valley Rd., Clark, NJ

Date: Wednesday, December 4 th 2019	Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Date: Tuesday, May 12 th 2020	Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Southern NJ Site: Emergency Service Training Center, 53 Academy Dr. Westampton, NJ

Date: Tuesday, October 29 th , 2019	Time: 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Date: TBA	Time: 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Allison Bressler, MA and Gloria Sgrizzi
Co-Founders and Co-Directors of A Partnership for Change