

ECRM > Supervision > DCC > DCC Supervision Process > Domestic Violence/Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)

.01 AUTHORITY

2011 Wisconsin Act 266

Wisconsin Statute 301.08

Wisconsin Administrative Code DOC 328.04

Wisconsin Administrative Code DOC 328.11

Wisconsin Statute 968.075

Wisconsin Statute 939.621

.02 GENERAL STATEMENT

This chapter outlines a supervision approach for clients with a current domestic violence related offense, or have an unmet domestic violence treatment need, or who engages in behaviors towards a current or former intimate partner that align with the definition of intimate partner violence.

.03 DEFINITIONS

Intimate partner violence (IPV) is a type of domestic violence by a current or former spouse or partner in an intimate relationship against the other spouse or partner. IPV can take a number of forms of behaviors including stalking, physical, verbal, emotional, economic, and sexual abuse. As a type of domestic violence, intimate partner violence is more specific and inclusive in describing violence perpetrated by a partner in a romantic, sexual, or dating relationship, or in a marriage.

Domestic violence, also known as domestic abuse, spousal abuse, battering, family violence, and intimate partner violence (IPV), domestic violence is defined as a pattern of abusive behaviors by one partner against another in an intimate relationship such as marriage, dating, family, or cohabitation.

Within this section, the terms “domestic violence” and “intimate partner violence” may be used interchangeably when referencing violations, offenses, or supervision.

.04 PURPOSE OF THE IPV MANUAL

The Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Client Supervision and Victim Contact manual provides detailed instructions for Agents on how to address the following responsibilities when supervising qualifying clients. Please note, the manual sections are linked to each topic:

Intake & Assessment: *The purpose of the client intake and assessment is to assess the case for potential risk to the victim and the community and to determine appropriate interventions and supervision strategies.*

ECRM > Supervision > DCC > DCC Supervision Process > Domestic Violence/Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)

Ongoing Client Contact: *The purpose of ongoing client contact is to supervise and monitor the client by frequent contacts and to enforce all rules and conditions of probation, parole, and extended supervision, with immediate responses for violations.*

Victim Contact/Ongoing Victim Contact: *The purpose of victim contact is to promote victim safety and meet the victim's needs.*

Violations: *The purpose of responding to allegations of client violations is to enhance victim safety and to impose immediate responses if allegations are proven.*

Revocations: *The purpose of revocation is to sanction and confine a client as the result of violations when alternatives are not appropriate or available.*

Case Discharge: *The purpose of discharge is to close a case and end supervision.*

.05 BASIC REQUIREMENTS

The DOC/DCC Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) manual is applicable only to correctional clients who engage in these behaviors towards a current or former intimate partner.

This IPV manual applies to:

- Clients supervised for a current domestic violence related offense or read-in
- Clients under a current Domestic Abuse or Domestic Violence-related Harassment Restraining Order/Injunction
- Clients with a substantiated domestic violence violation(s) while on current supervision
- Clients who exhibit domestic abuse behaviors in the institution
- Clients releasing from DAI with an unmet domestic violence treatment need

There may be clients on probation for a non-domestic violence related offense who may benefit from supervision in adherence with IPV manual. Agents should staff those situations with their supervisor, and consider one or more of the following:

- If there is an active need for rehabilitation in this area as evidenced by an elevated COMPAS assessment and/or the ODARA risk assessment results.
- Domestic violence violations
- Failure to complete domestic violence treatment during the same lifecycle

.06 SUPERVISION

Supervision will include four basic goals:

- Enhancing the safety and well-being of the victim and community
- Ending the abuse
- Promoting client accountability
- Rehabilitating the client

ECRM > Supervision > DCC > DCC Supervision Process > Domestic Violence/Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)

When a client meets one or more of the basic requirements listed in section .05 above, Agent will complete the client intake and assessment to assess the client's case for potential risk to the victim and the community and to determine appropriate interventions and supervision strategies.

The IPV manual provides detailed checklists with directions on additional supervision responsibilities and strategies to align with the outcome of the initial intake and assessment. Refer to section .04 Purpose / IPV Manual to access links to supervision tasks for the following events:

- Ongoing Client Contact
- Victim Contact
- Violations
- Revocations
- Case Discharge

Available on MyDOC under DCC Manuals, the Intimate Partner Violence Client (IPV) Client Supervision and Victim Contact manual includes additional reference tools to support an Agent within the tasks of supervising a qualified client.

Additional tools include:

- Risk factors associated with escalating violence
- Considerations for communicating with victims
- Criteria to Consider Before Modification of No Contact Condition/Rule
- DOC NOTIS, WI VINE County Jails, WI VINE Protective Order
- Victim Interview Guide for Investigation
- Victim Information Packet
- Discretionary domestic violence rules
- Client Interview Guide
- Sample domestic violence allegations