



Pathways to Family Peace
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State Standards of Domestic Violence Offender Groups
in the United States

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Pathways to Family Peace provides programming for domestic violence offenders. In 2018, Pathways to Family Peace began as a research project to decide if offering a men's non-violence program for domestic violence is appropriate using video conference software technology. The program began by [Melissa Petrangelo Scaia](#) of Minnesota and [Jon Heath](#) of Maine. The research was conducted by Professor Nicole Westmarland, PhD and Rosanna Bellini, PhD candidate of the University of Durham in England. [The Initial Lessons Learned from Using Video Conferencing Software to Deliver Interventions for Men using Violence in Intimate Relationships](#) was written by Professor Westmarland and Rosanna Bellini in 2020 as part of this research.

Pathways to Family Peace is a "live" video-conference men's non-violence program option for court ordered domestic violence offenders and is now available and taking referrals. Pathways to Family Peace uses the [Duluth Model's](#) "Creating a Process of Change for Men Who Batter" curricula and the addendum curricula entitled "Addressing Fatherhood with Men Who Batter" (Scaia, Connelly & Downing, 2007).

After the research was complete in March 2020, Pathways to Family Peace began as a direct service of [Global Rights for Women \(GRW\)](#) in Minneapolis. GRW took what was learned from the research to implement the program in the United States. However, in order to take referrals, Pathways to Family Peace needed to know what the standards in each of the 50 states in the United States are for domestic violence offender programming. Hanna Sobhani is an intern with Pathways to Family Peace, a program of Global Rights for Women. Hanna worked with GRW's Melissa Petrangelo Scaia to develop this document. Hanna worked on this document as an intern from summer – fall 2020. She researched, made phone calls and verified the information provided in this document. GRW is very grateful for her dedication and hard work.

Pathways to Family Peace seeks to keep this document up to date. If you live and work in a state with more up-to-date information, please e-mail it to: mscaia@grwomen.org or pathwaystofamilypeace@gmail.com

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Primary sources used for this document:

Information found at: <https://www.biscmi.org/resources/other-states-standards/>

Each State's Coalition against Domestic Violence: [State Coalitions](#)

Table 1	State Standards for Domestic Violence Offender Groups	Trainee & supervisor requirements
Alabama	<p>Link to Section 30-7-6 - Perpetrator counseling programs: Section 30-7-6 - Perpetrator counseling programs. :: 2016 Code of Alabama :: US Codes and Statutes :: US Law</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The facilitators, supervisors, and trainees of the program shall be certified to provide these programs through initial certification by the Department of Economic and Community Affairs, and the programs and personnel shall be annually recertified by the department to ensure that they meet specified standards.
Alaska	<p>Link to BIP rules and procedures: Title 22 Chapter 25 Programs for Rehabilitation of Perpetrators of Domestic Violence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 24 week minimum. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under “22 AAC 25.060. Personnel, training, and educational requirements” in link. - For a supervisor, training and at least one year experience in working with both victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. - For staff or volunteers having contact with program participants or victims, a minimum of 40 hours of training related to domestic violence, based on a curriculum that is approved by the department after consideration of any recommendations of the council;

Arizona	<p>Link to Arizona Service Standards & Guidelines for Domestic Violence Programs: Domestic Violence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Domestic violence advocacy - Collaborations and expanding services with community partners that includes an emphasis on safety for victims and encourages persons who batter to take responsibility for their violent behavior
Arkansas	<p>There are currently no BIP standards. Link to Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence: Home acadv</p>	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>
California	<p>Link to penal codes of family and domestic violence: Codes Display Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 52 week minimum. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No history of violence - 16 hours of annual continuing education

Colorado	<p>Link to Domestic Violence Offender Management Board: Domestic Violence Offender Management Board Division of Criminal Justice</p> <p>Link to domestic violence standards: http://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/dvomb/Standards/standards19.pdf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under “7.03 Qualifications for Treatment Victim Advocates Working with an Offender Treatment Program” p.71 - Basic certification from NOVA - Training/experiential hours according to COVA or NOVA standards - Renewal of COVA or NOVA certification every 2 years
Connecticut	<p>Link to Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards: Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards</p> <p>Link to CT Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards: http://www.ctcadv.org/files/4615/6511/0069/DV_Offender_Standards_Rev_2019.pdf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff should be free of violence and criminal convictions in their own lives - 12 minimum of annual continued education
Delaware	<p>Link to DV Coordinating Council (DVCC): Batterers' Intervention Certification Panel</p> <p>Link to Intervention standards: https://dvcc.delaware.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/87/2017/06/application-certified-treatment-program.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least 32 session hours over a minimum of 20 weeks with a minimum of 16 sessions. Class length ranges from 90-120 min. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Providers must be free of domestic violence in their personal lives - 12 hours of annual continued education - Methods of training include: Attending seminars, webinars, and workshops; academic coursework; completing an accredited home study course; attending domestic violence related court hearings or trials; riding along with the police; working with a domestic violence service provider other than one’s own intervention program; and submitting original papers related to domestic violence.

Florida	<p>Link to Florida Statute 741.325 Requirements for BIPs: Statutes & Constitution :View Statutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The program shall be at least 29 weeks in length and include 24 weekly sessions, plus appropriate intake, assessment, and orientation programming. 	<p>Not addressed in standards.</p>
Georgia	<p>Link to Georgia Commission on Family Violence: Family Violence Intervention Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Find Procedure and Class Requirements in section 05-3.07: file:///C:/Users/hanna/Downloads/FVIP%20Rules%202019.pdf - There is a 24 week minimum for group treatment 	<p>Rules & Procedures (section 105-3-.05): file:///C:/Users/hanna/Downloads/FVIP%20Rules%202019.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A 4 year degree or two years of facilitating experience - Over 150 hours of various commission approved trainings mentioned in rules - Recommendation letter - Continued education
Hawaii	<p>Link to BIP standards: http://www.ncdsv.org/images/HI_BIPS-Standards_December2010.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 24 week minimum with each class lasting 2 hours. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possess proper attitudes, skills, and knowledge (section 5.1) - Staff and facilitators must possess a minimum of a Bachelor’s degree in a behavioral science or the equivalent in training and experience - No history of violence

Idaho	<p>Link to Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance: Home - Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance</p> <p>Link to Minimum Standards For Domestic Violence Offender Intervention Programs: Minimum Standards For Domestic Violence Offender Intervention Programs</p> <p>Link to other Forms and Policies: Forms and Policies Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a minimum of 52 weekly sessions, 90 minutes each. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At the time an approved program adds a new Program Supervisor, Direct Service Provider, or Trainee, either volunteer or paid, the program must submit documentation to CODVOIPS of meeting the minimum qualifications - 60 hours of continuing education (through an approved CEU provider) are required every three years from the date of the initial intervention program approval
Illinois	<p>Link to “Part 501 Partner Abuse Intervention”: 89 ILLINOIS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 501 TITLE 89: SOCIAL SERVICES CHAPTER IV: DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SUBCHAPTER a: GENERAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Participants must attend no fewer than 24 sessions, conducted weekly, for a minimum of 36 hours of direct program contact that does not include intake/screening. Up to 4 individual sessions may be included. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All staff must be violence free - 6 hours minimum of continuing education
Indiana	<p>Service Standard for Domestic Violence Batterers Intervention Services: SERVICE STANDARD INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BATTERERS INTERVENTION SERVICES A Batterers Interventi</p> <p>The Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence: Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence: ICADV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The ICADV BIP standard requires, at a minimum, each participant must attend 26 weekly sessions, lasting at least 90 minutes each. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service provider employees are required to complete general training competencies at various levels. Training requirements, documents, and resources are outlined at: http://www.in.gov/dcs/3493.htm

Iowa	<p>Link to Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence: Legislative Action</p> <p>Link to Iowa Code Chapter 236.17 Domestic Abuse Training Requirements: Section 236.17 - Domestic abuse training requirements. :: 2016 Iowa Code :: US Codes and Statutes :: US Law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 24 week minimum for group treatment. 	<p>Domestic abuse training may include, but is not limited to, the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The enforcement of both civil and criminal remedies in domestic abuse matters - The nature, extent, and causes of domestic abuse - The legal rights and remedies available to domestic abuse victims, including crime victim compensation. - Services available to domestic abuse victims and their children, including the domestic abuse telephone hotline
Kansas	<p>Link to standards for BIPs: Essential Elements and Standards for Batterer Intervention Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 24 week minimum with each class lasting at least 90 minutes each. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facilitators and staff must be violence free - Facilitators must possess a baccalaureate degree or two years of experience - 12 hours of domestic violence specific continuing education during each two year renewal period
Kentucky	<p>Link to Batterer Intervention Page: Batterer Intervention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Batterer Intervention in Kentucky is established through a statute, KRS 403.7505, and an administrative regulation 920 KAR 2:020. <p>KRS 403.7505: 403.7505 Certification standards for mental health professionals providing court-mandated treatment; list of certified providers to Administrative Office of the Courts; submission of data to cabinet; distribution of compiled data</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are different qualification standards for associate and autonomous providers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “Associate provider” means an individual certified by the cabinet to provide services only under the direct supervision of an autonomous provider. - “Autonomous provider” means a professional certified by the cabinet in

	<p>920 KAR 2:020: 922 CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES - DEPARTME Chapter: \922\005.020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 20 week minimum with each class lasting at least 90 minutes each. 	<p>for unsupervised clinical practice in a domestic violence program.</p>
Louisiana	<p>Link to Domestic Abuse Intervention Program Membership Application Process: Batterer Intervention Program Membership LCADV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 26 weeks minimum, 90-120 minute classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facilitators must a minimum of 80 hours of training/experience (see more in other column) - Completion of a nationally recognized training program (e.g., the Duluth Model or EMERGE) - Each facilitator should have substance abuse training specific to domestic violence. - Facilitators must be committed to nonviolence. - 10 hours of annually continued training
Maine	<p>Link to BIP standards: file:///C:/Users/hanna/OneDrive/Documents/Stuff%20Regarding%20Life/GRW/Maine%20BIP%20state%20standards.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BIP programs must be a minimum of 48 classes over a minimum of 48 weeks in duration. Each weekly session must be at least 90 min long, with check-in consuming no more than 30 min. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under “4.5 BIP program Staff Selection, Supervision, and Training” in link. - Staff must have had no convictions or protective court orders or court approved consent agreements for offenses involving violence during the last ten years. - A minimum of 6.25 hours per year of continued education

Maryland	<p>Link to Abuse Intervention Program (AIP) Certification: Abuse Intervention Program (AIP) Certification - Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services</p> <p>Link to guidelines for abuse intervention programs (AIP): The Governor's Family Violence Council's Operational Guidelines for Abuse Intervention Programs in Maryland PURPOSE 1.0 DEF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 32 hours of group time extended over at least 20 weeks. If providing individual sessions, the program must be a minimum of 16 meeting hours extended over at least 12 weeks. <p>House of Ruth Maryland is an example of a BIP in Maryland: Abuse Intervention Programs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All staff must live violence free lives - At least one of the group facilitators in every group session must have a minimum of a Bachelors' level human service degree. - Every program must have an individual with a Masters' level clinical license that can provide supervision for program staff.
Massachusetts	<p>Link to guidelines and standards for BIPs: Massachusetts Guidelines and Standards for the Certification of Intimate Partner Abuse Education Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offender must complete a minimum of 80 hours of a program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Found in section 9.0 on p. 27 in link to guidelines and standards. - Violence free for at least 3 years
Michigan	<p>Link to Batterer Intervention Standards: Batterer Intervention Standards for the State of Michigan</p> <p>Link to Batterer Intervention Brochure: Batterer Intervention Standards Exist to: Batterer Intervention Standards "Reputable batterer intervention programs are multi-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group sessions with a recommended duration of 52 sessions or longer. 26 sessions is the acceptable minimum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Violence free for at least 2 years - All facilitators must participate in a minimum of 20 hours per year of continuing training regarding domestic violence related issues - Individuals working within a BIS as an intern, volunteer, or trainee can co-facilitate groups only with an individual who meets facilitator requirements.

Minnesota	<p>Link to Minnesota Coalition For Battered Women: Violence Free Minnesota: Home</p> <p>Link to requirements for BIPs: Sec. 518B.02</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 24 sessions or 36 hours of programming, unless a probation agent has recommended fewer sessions. - Technology should not compromise privacy or safety. 	Not addressed in standards.
Mississippi	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p> <p>Mississippi Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.mcadv.org</p>	There are currently no BIP standards.
Missouri	<p>Link to standards for Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence Standards for Batterer Intervention Programs (from Missouri Department of Public Safety): Batterer Intervention Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 26 weeks minimum, 90 minute classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It is recommended that the individual have a masters or bachelors degree, in a related field, with two or more years of direct service in domestic violence advocacy or group work with batterers. It is preferable to have some combination of education and direct experience. - Ongoing education to increase knowledge on topics related to domestic violence.

<p>Montana</p>	<p>Link to Montana Code: 45-5-206. Partner or family member assault -- penalty, MCA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Montana statute requires at least 40 hours of counseling "directed toward their violent and controlling behavior." (MCA 45-5-206) - Unfortunately, Montana does not have an established mechanism to make sure that batterers actually complete their required hours and receive consistent treatment. 	<p>Link to Title 37: TITLE 37. PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS - Table of Contents, MCA</p> <p>Must be a "Mental health professional":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a certified professional person; (b) a physician licensed under Title 37, chapter 3; (c) a professional counselor licensed under Title 37, chapter 23; (d) a psychologist licensed by Title 37, chapter 17; (e) a social worker licensed by Title 37, chapter 22; (f) an advanced practice registered nurse, as provided for in 37-8-202, with a clinical specialty in psychiatric mental health nursing; or (g) a physician assistant licensed under Title 37, chapter 20, with a clinical specialty in psychiatric mental health.
<p>Nebraska</p>	<p>Link to Nebraska Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence: Get Informed : Domestic Violence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On this page there is the link to Batterer Intervention Program Standards and to Approved Trainings for Batterer Intervention Programs - A minimum length of 30 weekly sessions lasting for 90 minutes per session, excluding breaks. This does not include intake, orientation, and exit sessions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bachelor's degree in a human service-related area OR an equivalent combination of college courses and/or applied experience. - 12 hours of annual continuing education training.

Nevada	<p>Link to Code of Laws Chapter 228 - Domestic Violence: https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nac/nac-228.html</p> <p>Link to Programs for the Treatment of Persons Who Commit Domestic Violence: Domestic Violence Treatment Programs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must be violence free. - 15 hours of annual continuing education training.
New Hampshire	<p>Link to Governor's Commission on Batterer Intervention Standards: https://www.yump/en/document/read/27000032/batterer-intervention-standards-new-hampshire-attorney-general</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programs shall be 36 weeks (approximately 8 months) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Found under "Staffing" on p. 19 - No history of violence for the last 10 years - Facilitators shall attend a batterers intervention-specific training (e.g. EMERGE or the Duluth Model) - All staff shall receive, and provide documentation, of regular supervision
New Jersey	<p>Link to Batterers' Intervention Standards (starts on p. 25): https://www.nj.gov/dcf/providers/notices/RFP_Batterers.Intervention.2017.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a 26 week minimum, 52 weeks or longer is preferred - 90 minute minimum for each group session 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BIP staff shall meet regularly with the county's lead domestic violence program, and shall be encouraged to collaborate with victim services programs.

New Mexico	<p>Link to standards: nmcadv.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/20130306-NM-DVOTI-Standards-FINAL.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum of 52 weeks, each session is 90 minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must have no history of violence (for at least 3 years) or be a victim of domestic abuse unless the program director approves - DVOTI program supervisors shall have Bachelor's Degree with 4 years relevant experience with domestic violence populations or a minimum of a High School/GED with 6 years experience with the target population. - All staff must have 8 hours of annual continuing education
New York	<p>There are currently no BIP standards. Link to New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.nyscadv.org</p>	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>
North Carolina	<p>Link to main page: Domestic Violence Intervention Program Link to BIP rules and procedures: NORTH CAROLINA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TITLE ONE - ADMINISTRATION CHAPTER 17 - COUNCIL ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN SECTION .0700 - ABUSER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 39 hours of treatment in 26 weeks minimum of treatment 	<p>Three letters of support from each county. Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a local domestic violence victim program; a local domestic violence task force or coalition; or a local governmental agency that is directly associated with the problem of domestic violence (e.g., a local department of social services, district attorney's office, or law enforcement agency). <p>Must indicate that staff/facilitators have adequate training and experience</p>

North Dakota	<p>North Dakota BIP standards: https://www.cawsnorthdakota.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/2019-NDAEPA-Battering-Intervention-Standards.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 24 week minimum of treatment, averaging 90 min a week - Process overview on p. 17 <p>ND domestic violence policy: https://www.cawsnorthdakota.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/NDModel2012DomesticViolencePolicy.pdf</p>	<p>Facilitator standards: A bachelors' degree in a human-related field.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prefer experience in working with both victims and offenders of domestic violence, knowledge on client ethics are required (refer to ethic guidelines provided by CAWS North Dakota). - A minimum of one facilitator in each group must complete a formal domestic violence intervention training program (i.e. provided by DAIP, EMERGE, AWARE) <p>All staff must have violence free personal relationships</p>
Ohio	<p>Link to Ohio Domestic Violence Network: Ohio Domestic Violence Network: Home</p> <p>Link to Ohio Standards for Batterers Intervention: Ohio Standards for Batterers Intervention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The program shall be comprised of weekly group sessions which lasts no less than 6 months and optimally, shall be for one year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All staff must be violence free - BIPs shall engage in regular empirical self-evaluation which may include recidivism rate check through the court records
Oklahoma	<p>Link to main page: http://www.oag.ok.gov/certification#cert</p> <p>Link to standards and criteria for BIP programs: http://www.oag.ok.gov/Websites/oag/images/Title%2075%20Ch%2025%20BIP%20Proposed%20Rules%202020.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An individualized written contract shall be completed upon acceptance into the program prior to the first 3 group session; signed by the batterer; and shall include, but not be limited to: Attendance policy, including the length of intervention, minimum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nothing addressed with the exception of 30 hours of training. - ongoing 16 hours of annual training

	<p>number of sessions required and the maximum length of time for completion of the required sessions.</p>	
Oregon	<p>Link to main page: Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) Advisory Committee</p> <p>Link to BIP rules: Oregon Secretary of State Administrative Rules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a minimum of 36 weeks of treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 32 hours over a two calendar-year period of continuing education or training.
Pennsylvania	<p>There are currently BIP standards.</p> <p>Link to Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence: Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence: PCADV</p>	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>

Rhode Island	<p>Link to main page: Batterers Intervention Programs</p> <p>Link to BIP Standards Oversight Committee: http://www.ricadv.org/images/BIP_Program_PDFs/BIPS_List_6-22-2020.pdf</p> <p>Link to Chapter 12-29 Domestic Violence Prevention Act: https://law.justia.com/codes/rhode-island/2019/title-12/chapter-12-29/</p> <p>- Minimum of 20 weeks, averaging 90 minutes a week</p>	<p>The training requirements mentioned apply to law enforcement officers as noted in Chapter 12-29 Domestic Violence Prevention Act Section 12-29-6 Training https://law.justia.com/codes/rhode-island/2019/title-12/chapter-12-29/section-12-29-6/</p>
South Carolina	<p>Link to Crime Victim Services Training (CVST) Requirements: CVST Training Requirements</p> <p>Link to South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (SCCADVASA): https://www.sccadvasa.org/</p> <p>Link to SCCADVASA Basic Training for Victim Service Providers: https://www.sccadvasa.org/</p>	<p>Along with the training required by the CVST, the SCCADVASA offers additional training for new providers.</p>
South Dakota	<p>Link to South Dakota Coalition Against Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault: www.sdcedsv.org</p> <p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>

<p>Tennessee</p>	<p>Link to Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence: DVSCC Link to Rules for BIPs: December, 1999 (Revised) 1 RULES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STATE COORDINATING COUNCIL CHAPTER 0490-1 RULES FOR BATTERER'S INTERVENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 24 weekly class sessions, at least 90 minutes in length, shall be the minimum number of classes to meet discharge criteria. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff must not engage in domestic abuse in their own lives - Complete 8 hours of continuing education annually <p>Instructors and supervisors shall, at a minimum, have a baccalaureate degree, unless</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They are paired in a batterers intervention class with an instructor who does have the required college degree and they have at least 2 years experience <p>Each Certified Program shall have at least one person in a supervisory position with at least two years of experience working with batterers or victims of domestic violence and training in group facilitation.</p>
<p>Texas</p>	<p>Link to main page: Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) - Battering Intervention and Prevention Program Link to BIP Guidelines: Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) - Battering Intervention and Prevention Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least 36 hours of group sessions in a minimum of 18 weekly sessions, not to exceed one session per week. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Link to trainee and supervisor requirements (p. 6): Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) - Battering Intervention and Prevention Program - Training must be completed within 6 months of employment. - There are different training requirements depending if you are Staff, Licensed four years and four years working in the field of battering intervention, Licensed Professionals, or Non-licensed and Other Professionals.

Link to Utah Office on Domestic & Sexual Violence: [CCJJ: Utah Office on Domestic & Sexual Violence](#)

Link to Management and Treatment of Court Ordered DV Offenders: [DVOMG Final Report 10-4-18](#)

Link to Utah Domestic Violence Coalition: [Utah Domestic Violence Coalition](#)

- The duration of sessions varies by the risk of the offender: low-risk is 4-12 weeks, medium-risk is 13-24 weeks, and high-risk is 25-32 weeks

A provider clinician needs an education or one of the following licenses:

- A licensed psychiatrist, psychologist, or social worker
- A licensed marriage and family therapist, or a licensed professional counselor, or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse-psychiatric mental health nurse specialist
- A person with a graduate degree in counseling, psychiatric nursing, marriage and family therapy, social work or psychology, is a certified Social Worker, or who is working toward another clinical license, and has been approved by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing for the appropriate supervision
- A graduate student in a practicum or internship approved by the educational institution in which the student is pursuing a relevant court or education
- A licensed social services worker as a co-leader only
- Must be violence free as evidenced by lack of domestic violence conviction on Criminal Background Check
- Continuing education of 16 hours of UADVT approved training yearly

Vermont	<p>Link to Standards: Vermont Statewide Standards for Domestic Violence Accountability Programming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A participant must complete a minimum of 26 weekly group sessions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff and supervisor requirements found in ch.10 on p. 33 of Vermont Statewide Standards for Domestic Violence Accountability Programming - Violence free for at least 3 years
Virginia	<p>Link to Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance: https://vsdvalliance.org/</p> <p>Link to Virginia Standards for BIPs: Virginia Standards for Batterer Intervention Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The minimum duration of a BIP is 36 hours during a minimum of 18 weeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must be violence free and have no criminal history for at least 5 years - All direct service staff and volunteers shall complete 12 hours of continuing education annually
Washington	<p>Link to Domestic Violence Intervention Treatment: Domestic Violence Intervention Treatment DSHS</p>	<p>The link for “Staff Statement of Qualifications” provided by the Department of Social Health and Services found here: Staff Statement of Qualifications</p>

West Virginia	<p>Link to Title 191 - Legislative Rule Family Protection Services Board: West Virginia Administrative Code Title 191 - LEGISLATIVE RULE FAMILY PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD</p> <p>Link to Series 191-03 - Perpetrator Intervention Programs Licensure: West Virginia Administrative Code Series 191-03 - Perpetrator Intervention Programs Licensure</p> <p>Link to Article 26 - Domestic Violence Act: http://www.wvlegislature.gov/wvcode/code.cfm?chap=48&art=26#01</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a minimum of 32 in-person sessions with each session including at least ninety minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff shall receive on an annual basis a minimum of 6- 3 hours of continuing education or training approved by the Family Protection Services Board
Wisconsin	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p> <p>Link to the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.endabusewi.org</p>	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>
Wyoming	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p> <p>Link to Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault: WCADVSA</p>	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>

Table 2	How many weeks of training are required for certification to facilitate domestic violence offender groups?	Do you have to apply to provide services in this state?	Allows video conference software (VCS) groups for domestic violence offenders
Alabama	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.
Alaska	<p>Not mentioned, but you need to meet a standard of experience with domestic violence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For a supervisor: 1 year minimum - For staff and volunteers: 40 hour minimum 	Yes	<p>Not addressed in standards but will be approved if</p> <p>“(1) there is good cause for the waiver;</p> <p>(2) the safety of victims and children is not compromised by the waiver;</p> <p>(3) an acceptable alternative to the standard being requested to be waived is provided by the program.”</p>
Arizona	<p><i>All Staff:</i> A 40-hour training program may be accomplished through a combination of internal and external resources.</p> <p>The facilitator also should have training, education or experience in facilitation and group dynamics for a peer-to-peer led group.</p>	Not addressed in standards.	<p>“A domestic violence program Board of Directors is accountable to the program. It ensures the program’s compliance with its Bylaws. Bylaws provide the governance structure for the organization and its elected Board. This includes the mission and purpose of the organization. The Bylaws should detail what</p>

			constitutes a quorum, attendance requirements and how to address holding meetings or votes that are not conducted in person, for example by conference call or electronic methods;”
Arkansas	There are currently no BIP standards.	No	There are currently no BIP standards.
California	<p>Link to requirements as a Facilitator: http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=PEN&sectionNum=1203.098.&highlight=true&keyword=battering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 40 hours of basic core training that covers specific components - 52 weeks or no less than 104 hours in six months, as a trainee in an approved batterers’ intervention program with a minimum of a two-hour group each week - Documented experience working with batterers for three years, and a 	<p>Yes. (i) The completion of a written application containing necessary and pertinent information describing the applicant program.</p> <p>(ii) The demonstration by the program that it possesses adequate administrative and operational capability to operate a batterer’s treatment program. The program shall provide</p>	Not addressed in standards.

	<p>minimum of two years working with batterers' groups</p>	<p>documentation to prove that the program has conducted batterer's programs for at least one year prior to application. This requirement may be waived if there is no existing batterer's program in the city, county, or city and county.</p> <p>(iii) The onsite review of the program, including monitoring of a session to determine that the program adheres to applicable statutes and regulations.</p> <p>(iv) The payment of the approval fee.</p>	
Colorado	<p>For a more detailed description of standards: http://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/dvomb/Standards/standards19.pdf</p> <p>Entry Level Treatment Victim Advocates need to meet the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 30 hours of DV training - 70 hours of experience working with DV victims - Peer consultation 	<p>Yes. Link to applications below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Become an Approved DVOMB Provider Division of Criminal Justice 	Not addressed in standards.

Connecticut	<p><i>Staff:</i> A bachelor’s degree in social science, human service or related field</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 40 hours of DV training <p><i>Supervisors:</i> A Masters degree in a relevant field of study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A licensed from the CT Department of Public Health (e.g. LCSW, LPC, LMFT, and Licensed Clinical Psychologist) - A minimum of three years of experience working directly with domestic violence offenders and/or victims of domestic violence including a minimum of one year of experience in group facilitation 	<p>Yes. Link to applications below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards (at the bottom of the page) 	Not addressed in standards.
Delaware	<p><i>Trainees</i> are encouraged to: Spend twenty hours a week at an area domestic violence program during the first ninety day period of their apprenticeship.</p> <p><i>Facilitators:</i> a Bachelor's degree in social science, human services, or a similar field</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 104 hours of direct face-to-face contact facilitating or co-facilitating domestic violence intervention groups using a power and control model - 40 hours of victim-centered training - 40 hours of training on domestic violence intervention and or appropriate related training as determined by the certification 	<p>Yes. Link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - https://dvcc.delaware.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/87/2017/06/application-certified-treatment-program.pdf 	Not addressed in standards.

	<p>board; and attendance at 4 hours of domestic violence hearings</p> <p><i>Supervisors:</i> A master's degree in social sciences, education or similar field, plus two years of equivalent experience working with victims and domestic violence intervention programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 104 hours of direct face-to-face contact facilitating or co-facilitating domestic violence intervention groups using a power and control model - 40 hours of victim-centered training 		
Florida	Not addressed in standards.	There are different application forms depending on which judicial circuit a provider is seeking certification from.	Not addressed in standards.
Georgia	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> Completion of 20 hours of Commission delivered facilitator training;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completion of 40 hours of Commission-approved training. These training hours must be pre-approved by the Commission; - Completion of 40 hours of participation in community education and victim advocacy; 	Yes. Facilitators shall complete and submit to the Commission the required application and documents by January 1 biannually. Each recertification applicant will be required to submit a nonrefundable \$100	Not addressed in standards.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 36 hours as a participant observer in a certified FVIP; - 36 hours of direct face-to-face contact as a facilitator trainee with a certified facilitator. 	recertification fee with their application.	
Hawaii	<p><i>Staff:</i> a minimum of 25-40 hours of basic training in DV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An additional 20 hours of continued education <p><i>Supervisors:</i> At least 3 years working in DV and 2 years of facilitating experience</p>	Yes. However, “BIP providers shall submit annually to the funding source(s) a cooperative working agreement with a victim services program in their county. If more than one victim services program in a county, the program must have a working agreement with at least one shelter from that county”.	Not addressed in standards.
Idaho	<p><i>Trainees:</i> A trainee may serve as a co-facilitator of groups but may not facilitate a group alone. An individual may be considered a trainee for no more than 2 years unless exceptional circumstances are demonstrated, and provisional approval of the Council is granted, subject to additional requirements.</p>	Yes. All application forms can be found below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forms and Policies Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance 	Yes, there is a policy and application for Offender Intervention Telecommunication Services: https://icdv.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/80/2019/10/T-telecommunication-Services-Policy-Final-rev.pdf

	<p><i>Direct Service Provider:</i> a Bachelor’s degree in a behavioral science related field or equivalent work related experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete a minimum of 60 hours of education about DV - Have completed a minimum of 150 hours of supervised intervention experience <p><i>Program Supervisor:</i> Hold a Master’s or Doctorate Degree in counseling, psychology, social work or related field</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must be licensed in their respective field - Complete a minimum of 60 hours of education about DV - Have completed a minimum of 500 hours of supervised intervention experience 		
Illinois	<p><i>Staff:</i> must complete 40 hours of training consistent with the requirements of the Illinois Domestic Violence Act [750 ILCS 60], and an additional 20 hours of Department approved training in abuser services. (Facilitators who are unable to complete the Department approved 20 hour training within the first three months of employment must submit a training plan to the Department for approval.)</p> <p><i>Supervision</i> of PAIP facilitators must be provided by an individual who meets the required 40-hour training standard and</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Section 501.40: Protocol Application Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Protocol applications from PAIPs seeking approval must be submitted to the Department. The Department will publish lists of approved PAIPs via the Internet 	Not addressed in standards.

	<p>includes structured supervision of facilitators.</p>	<p>(www.state.il.us/agency/dhs) semiannually. The Department will notify listed programs of renewal dates and procedures.</p>	
<p>Indiana</p>	<p>The following information can be found in section V of Indiana’s standards: https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/14%20-%20Batterers%20Intervention.pdf <i>Facilitators:</i> Participation in a full curriculum cycle of at least 26 different BIP sessions in a certified program to work on their own issues of power and control</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Co-facilitation of a curriculum cycle like the one above with a certified senior facilitator - Completion of 100 hours of formal training approved by ICADV <p><i>Senior Facilitators:</i> Evidence of meeting all the requirements of a Facilitator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evidence of facilitating a minimum of 26 additional sessions as a Facilitator with a certified Senior Facilitator - Completion of an additional 50 hours of formal training 	<p>“IX. Service Access”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All services must be accessed and pre-approved through a referral form from the referring DCS staff. - Referrals are valid for a maximum of 6 months unless otherwise specified by the DCS. - Providers must initiate a re-authorization for services to continue beyond the approved period.” 	<p>VTS groups are possibly in-person groups are not available and service providers developed detailed policies and procedures which are effectively communicated with participants.</p>

Iowa	No specific training mentioned but note that Iowa follows the Achieving Change Through Value-based Behavior (ACTV) curriculum. It incorporates essential components of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy/Treatment (ACT), an empirically-based psychological intervention that uses acceptance and mindfulness strategies to increase psychological flexibility.	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.
Kansas	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> 40 hours of direct, face-to-face co-facilitating experience in batterer intervention groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 40 hours of domestic violence specific training that is approved by the Office of the Attorney General <p><i>Co-facilitators:</i> 40 hours of domestic violence specific training that is approved by the Office of the Attorney General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - After initial certification is granted to a program, any new co-facilitator must complete the 40 hours of training within the first year of co-facilitation. 	<p>Yes. Found at this website: Batterer Intervention Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New Program Certification Application: Office of the Kansas Attorney General Application for Batterer Intervention Program Certification 	Not addressed in standards.
Kentucky	<p>The standards listed below are that for an autonomous provider. To see the standards for a associate provider go to: 922 CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES - DEPARTME Chapter: \922\005.020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least a master's degree from an accredited university or college 	<p>Yes. Link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dcbs/dpp/fvfp/Documents/BattererInterventionProviderApplication.pdf 	Not addressed in standards.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possession of a certificate or license to practice under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky - 150 hours of clinical experience providing domestic violence services under the direct supervision of a professional who is licensed or certified of which 120 hours of the time shall have been with offenders and 30 hours with victims - Completion of 24 clock hours of specialty training in domestic violence - A written recommendation for certification from the professional that provided the supervision of the 150 hours - Written recommendations for certification from 2 victim advocates, at least 1 of whom works in an agency separate from the applicant 		
Louisiana	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> A minimum of 40 hours of victim-centered training prior to working with offenders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least 40 hours of direct experience co-facilitating batterer intervention groups before leading facilitation of a group. - Require facilitators to have completed a nationally recognized training program in providing 	<p>Yes. Link found on website below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Batterer Intervention Program Membership LCADV 	Not addressed in standards.

	<p>batterer intervention services that addresses the dynamics of domestic violence in the context of power and control (e.g. Duluth Model or EMERGE).</p>		
<p>Maine</p>	<p>Under “4.5 BIProgram Staff Selection, Supervision, and Training” in link: file:///C:/Users/hanna/OneDrive/Documents/Stuff%20Regarding%20Life/GRW/Maine%20OBIP%20state%20standards.pdf <i>Staff:</i> must receive training in a curriculum used by the BIP that is based upon, and adheres to, models developed by acceptable nationally recognized programs or similar training in a curriculum determined to be sufficient by the DOC and that is consistent with Maine BIP Standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of observation of six sessions of group, followed by co-educating an additional six sessions of group with a trained experienced educator prior to assuming responsibility for a group <p><i>Supervisors:</i> 2 year minimum in experience with DV</p>	<p>Yes. Found in part 2.2 Application for Certification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - file:///C:/Users/hanna/OneDrive/Documents/Stuff%20Regarding%20Life/GRW/Maine%20OBIP%20state%20standards.pdf 	<p>Not addressed in standards</p>

<p>Maryland</p>	<p>Minimum requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 30 hours of training from a comprehensive intimate partner violence victim service agency, as defined by Code of Maryland Regulations, on dynamics of intimate partner violence and its effects on children. - A minimum of 30 hours of training specific to working with perpetrators of intimate partner violence from an abuse intervention program certified in its state. <i>The program providing training does not have to be certified in Maryland but must be certified in the state it resides.</i> 	<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programs interested in obtaining certification should contact the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention for information on the next certification cycle. - The application and all required documents must be submitted electronically to Rebecca Allyn, Victim Services Program Manager, Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention, at Rebecca.allyn@maryland.gov. 	<p>There are currently no BIP standards.</p>
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Massachusetts	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> a minimum of 24 hours of training from a DPH (Department of Public Health)-approved Intimate Partner Abuse Education training Program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Observation of at least 6 Intimate Partner Abuse Education group sessions led by staff from a DPH-approved training Program <p><i>Supervisors and Consultants:</i> Programs are required to have at least one person in a supervisory position that has at least 3 years of experience in group facilitation, abusive partners, and working with victims/partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 24 hours of training in intimate partner violence from a DPH-approved Intimate Partner Abuse Education training Program. - At least 6 Intimate Partner Abuse Education group sessions led by staff from a DPH-approved training Program 	<p>Yes. Information found on p. 4 from link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Massachusetts Guidelines and Standards for the Certification of Intimate Partner Abuse Education Programs 	Not addressed in standards.
Michigan	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> a bachelor's degree or 2 years experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 40 hours of direct, face-to-face facilitating or co-facilitating experience in BIPs - 40 hours of training <p><i>Program Coordinators:</i> In addition to the requirements for facilitators, they must have</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Master's degree with one year of work experience in domestic violence 	<p>Yes. Link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BATTERER INTERVENTION PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR PROVIDERSHIP 	Not addressed in standards.

	or a bachelor's degree with two years of work experience in domestic violence		
Minnesota	Not addressed in standards.	No	Not addressed in standards.
Mississippi	There are currently no BIP standards.	No	There are currently no BIP standards.

Missouri	<p><i>Facilitators:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 50 hours of educational training, including but not limited to the topics listed on the previous page - A minimum of 24 hours of direct co-facilitation with a qualified facilitator in batterer intervention groups <p>To <i>supervise</i> or direct a batterer intervention program, or to train facilitators, an individual must have a minimum of 80 hours of educational training.</p>	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.
Montana	<p>Nothing specific to domestic violence. But must be qualified under Montana’s definition of a “Mental Health Professional”. (Found under Trainee and Supervisor requirements)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “a certified professional person” 	No	Not addressed in standards
Nebraska	<p><i>Staff and Supervisors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completed structured training specific to Nebraska on the basics of domestic abuse (Principles and Practices training) - Attend an offenders’ education curriculum (Emerge or Duluth). - One facilitator must have had the approved training before the program begins and the other 	<p>Yes. There is no link but programs wishing to receive initial approval must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete the application form - Supply needed information as requested 	<p><i>The Use of Technology to Facilitate a Remote Group:</i></p> <p>No BIP provider is authorized to use electronic communications device, such as but not limited to telephones or computers, to allow participants to participate in a program remotely. Any program desiring to provide remote access through the use of an</p>

	<p>facilitator must have the approved training within 6 months of the program beginning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate the ability to meet these Standards - Create in writing MOUs with Adult Probation districts and local domestic violence/sexual assault victim services programs - Participate in an in-person, on-site review with the BIPSRC. 	<p>electronic communications devices must develop policies and procedures specific to this practice. These policies and written procedures must be submitted to the State Standards Committee for review and approval prior to providing such access to a group. <i>Note about Online BIPs from the list of approved programs:</i> No online provider has been approved to provide BIP services in Nebraska.</p>
Nevada	<p><i>Directors:</i> must be at least 18 years of age and possess a high school diploma or its equivalent <i>Supervisors:</i> Possesses a master’s or doctorate degree in a field of clinical human services from an accredited college or university</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - proper licensing - At least 2 years of experience in a supervisory capacity in the provision of DV services or at least 5 years of experience in the direct provision of DV services - Has satisfactorily completed at least 60 hours of training 	<p>Yes. Link to NAC 228.100 application rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - https://www.leg.state.nv.us/NAC/NAC228.html#NAC228Sec100 <p>Link to application forms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Domestic Violence Treatment Programs 	<p>Not addressed in standards.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Has satisfactorily completed at least 15 hours of the training in DV required above during the 2 years immediately preceding the date on which the person is approved in the position of a supervisor of treatment at the program - exceptions to these standards provided in NAC 228.110: https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nac/nac-228.html#NAC228Sec110 		
New Hampshire	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> Observe in 6 sessions facilitated by a qualified provider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shadow a qualified provider for at least 6 sessions - Complete 40 hours of domestic violence-related training prior to offering services 	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.
New Jersey	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> While qualifications for group facilitators shall be determined by individual programs and supervisors/coordinators, a minimum of 40 hours of DV victim and batterer intervention training is strongly recommended.</p> <p><i>Supervisors:</i> Masters level with a NJ Domestic Violence Specialist certification and a license in a related professional discipline is preferred; otherwise the supervisor should have the equivalent 180 hours of domestic violence education and</p>	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.

	2,000 hours of experience working in the domestic violence field.		
New Mexico	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> DVOTI facilitators are required to receive 40 hours of initial domestic violence training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 20 additional hours specific to batterer intervention - Facilitators must act as co-facilitators for at least 6 sessions before facilitating a group alone <p><i>Supervisors:</i> The supervisor must have received the initial 60 hours of domestic violence training</p>	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.
New York	There are currently no BIP standards.	No	There are currently no BIP standards.

North Carolina	No weeks of experience noted. However, "List all BIP staff name(s) with job title, and provide documentation (such as certification, course completion) of DV training or equivalent experience. Please indicate which staff are directly trained in the BIP curriculum and include their curriculum training certificate."	Yes. Link below: - This section of the application acts as a guide for you to check the policies and	Temporarily, yes. Statement from NCDOA: April 2, 2020 To: NC State-Certified Domestic Violence Intervention Programs From
North Dakota	No requirements of experience noted. However, a facilitator must complete a formal DVIT training program	Not addressed. However, BIP programs must "establish cooperative, accountable relationships with local domestic violence programs, visitation and exchange centers, CAWS North Dakota (formerly the North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services), and the ND Alliance to End Partner Abuse." p. 16 https://www.cawsnorthdakota.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/2019-NDAEPA-Battering-Intervention-Standards.pdf	Not addressed in standards

Ohio	<p>BIP group <i>facilitators</i> shall have on-going training in the areas including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The dynamics of domestic violence and the behaviors used by batterers as part of a pattern of power and control - Issues of victim safety and batterer accountability <p><i>Supervisors:</i> BIPs shall have a supervisor experienced in the batterers intervention work for facilitators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If a supervisor is not available, BIPs may arrange for peer review or other forms of internal monitoring of BIP activities 	Not addressed in standards.	Not addressed in standards.
Oklahoma	<p>Under “Part 3. Training” p. 41 in http://www.oag.ok.gov/Websites/oag/images/Title%2075_Ch%2015%20DVSA_Promulgated%209-19.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 30 hour minimum training 	<p>Yes. Link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - http://www.oag.ok.gov/Websites/oag/images/Documents/Divisions/Victim%20Services/OAG_VictimServices_Initial_and_Renewal_Application-2017Fillable.pdf 	Not addressed in standards.

<p>Oregon</p>	<p>Link to personnel standards: Oregon Secretary of State Administrative Rules Facilitator Training: A facilitator shall document completion of 80 hours of training regarding domestic violence specific issues. 40 hours of the training must be provided by a nongovernmental victim advocacy program approved by the local Council or in the absence of a Council, the LSA or MSA. For purposes of this section, "local" refers to a program that is located in or serves victims in the county in which the facilitator is applying to work. When the required training has been or will be provided by a nongovernmental victim advocacy program that is not local, at least 8 of the 40 hours shall be provided by a local nongovernmental victim advocacy program, if one exists. The remaining 40 hours of required training can be provided by the hiring BIP or another BIP that adheres to these standards.</p> <p>Link to see the distinction between "Facilitator training" vs. "Facilitator Experience" Oregon Secretary of State Administrative Rules</p>	<p>Not addressed in standards. Reference link below: Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) Standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "How do I become licensed as a BIP in Oregon? There is no licensure process at this time. Each county's Local Supervisory Authority, often in cooperation with their domestic or family violence council, is responsible for screening and approving a BIP for referral of clients in the county." 	<p>Not addressed in standards.</p>
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Pennsylvania	There are currently no BIP standards.	No	There are currently no BIP standards.
Rhode Island	There are no mentioned training requirements for BIP providers. However, the state police academy, and the municipal police academy shall include at least 8 hours of training on domestic violence issues. Also, each law enforcement agency shall provide 4 hours of in-service training to its officers on issues of domestic violence.	Yes. The Oversight Committee certifies BIPS as stated in Chapter 12-29 Domestic Violence Prevention Act: https://law.justia.com/codes/rhode-island/2019/title-12/chapter-12-29/section-12-29-5-2/	Not addressed in standards.
South Carolina	All VSPs must obtain a minimum of 15 hours in approved Basic Core for VSPs in year 1 of employment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 12 hours of approved VSP continuing education each subsequent calendar year for VSPs All Notifiers/support staff must obtain 2 hours of specialized training for Notifiers every other year	Yes. Link Below: Department of Crime Victim Services Training, Provider Certification & Statistical Analysis (CVST)	Not addressed in standards.

South Dakota	There are currently no BIP standards.	No	There are currently no BIP standards.
Tennessee	<i>Instructors and Supervisors:</i> a minimum of 40 hours of training within the first 12 months after a Certified Program has received its initial certification, except that if an instructor or supervisor has worked in a BIP for two years, or has received other domestic violence training, such instructor or supervisor may request a waiver, in whole or in part, of this requirement from the Domestic Violence State Coordinating Council.	Yes. Application found under Rules and Resources for BIPs - https://www.tncoalition.org/bips-dvsc	Not addressed in standards.
Texas	<i>Staff:</i> 15 hours of family violence and 25 hours of battering intervention <i>Licensed four years and four years working in the field of battering intervention:</i> 5 hours of family violence and 10 hours of battering intervention <i>Licensed Professionals:</i> 8 hours of family violence and 16 hours of battering intervention	Yes. Link below: - https://www.tdcj.texas.gov/documents/BIPP_Application_for_Accreditation.pdf	Not addressed in standards.

	<p><i>Non-licensed and Other Professionals:</i>15 hours of family violence and 25 hours of battering intervention every 2 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ALL must complete an ethics training with a 6 hour minimum 		
Utah	<p><i>Initial training:</i> 24-hour UADVDT Pre-service Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The 24-hour training is required of any provider who has not previously been approved in Utah to provide offender treatment OR a previously approved provider who has not completed at least 16 hours of approved domestic-violence related CE during the previous 2 years. - If comparable training has been completed in another state, the applicant may submit documentation to demonstrate equivalency. <p><i>Supervisors:</i> Licensed Mental Health Therapist who has met the DV Provider Requirements plus a minimum of two years or 1000 hours of DV treatment experience</p>	<p>Yes. Review of applications, determination of eligibility, notification of approval, and recordkeeping of approved applications shall be under the supervision of the Domestic Violence Offender Management Group (DVOMG) and subsequent DVOTF</p>	<p>Not addressed in standards.</p>

Vermont	<p><i>Staff members:</i> must attend and complete a training approved by the Batterer Accountability Committee of the Vermont Council on Domestic Violence within three months of their employment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must observe at least three groups at a certified batterer intervention program within one month of their employment and a total of six within 12 months of their employment - New staff members (facilitators for 2 years or less) attend and document at least ten hours per year of professional development approved by the Domestic Violence Accountability Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff with more than two years of facilitation experience must attend and document 6 hours of annual professional development approved by the DVAC 	<p>Yes. Information found in ch. 14 (p.43) in link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vermont Statewide Standards for Domestic Violence Accountability Programming 	Not addressed in standards.
Virginia	<p><i>Volunteer Staff:</i> At least 3 months of weekly direct co-facilitation or observation of batterer intervention groups under the supervision and direction of staff in a certified program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 16 hours of domestic violence training <p>The board does not endorse a particular training program; however, certified</p>	<p>Yes. Link below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Virginia Batterer Intervention Program Certification Board 	Not addressed in standards.

	<p>programs must ensure that <i>each individual providing certified BIP services</i> has received a minimum of 32 hours of DV training.</p>		
Washington	<p><i>Trainees:</i> a minimum of 30 hours of domestic violence training and a minimum of 30 hours of training on the provision of domestic violence intervention treatment.</p> <p><i>Staff:</i> a minimum of 50 hours of supervised, direct treatment services to domestic violence participants in a certified DVIT program or out of state equivalent and the experience includes observation of at least 6 certified DVIT groups including debriefings with the facilitator.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a minimum of 50 hours of experience working with victims of domestic violence <p><i>Supervisors:</i> I have a master’s degree from an accredited university in a related field</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of two years of experience in facilitating DVIT groups at a certified DVIT program. - At least two hundred and fifty hours of direct treatment contact with participants in a certified DVIT program. 	<p>Yes. All treatment forms found here:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Domestic Violence Intervention Treatment DSHS <p>Application for New Program Certification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application for New Program Certification 	<p>Yes.</p> <p>“There is a provision that allows certified DVIT programs to conduct group or individual sessions confidentially online with good cause. This typically requires the program to request online attendance for each person they’d like to treat that way and to explain the good cause for doing so, such as the client living more than 50 miles from treatment or having a physical disability that creates a hardship for attending in person. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we have waived the DVIT program’s requirement to request online attendance for each client. So, programs may provide DVIT services in person, online, or through a combination of both. All other standards (linked above) have remained the same. We require a</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least one hundred hours of experience working with victims of domestic violence 		HIPAA compliant video platform for those doing DVIT groups or individual sessions online.”
West Virginia	<p><i>Facilitators:</i> shall have at a minimum a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of 30 hours of training approved by the Board 	Yes. All applications are considered by the Family Protection Services board.	Not addressed in standards
Wisconsin	There are currently no BIP standards.	No	There are currently no BIP standards.

Wyoming	There are currently no BIP standards.	There are currently no BIP standards.	There are currently no BIP standards.
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