

**NEVADA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (CDV)  
SERVICES AND TRAINING SUBCOMMITTEE**

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*Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.*

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1. Call to order and roll call of members.
  - a. The Committee on Domestic Violence (CDV) Services and Training Subcommittee meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.
  - b. Present
    - Greene, Elynne (Greene)
    - Green, April (Green)
    - Ortenburger, Liz (Ortenburger)
    - Ramos, Suzanne (Ramos)
    - Larson, Zac (Larson)
    - Morris, Marla (Morris)
    - Harig, Traci (Harig)
  - c. Absent
    - Scott, Annette (Scott)

- a. Staff
    - Reilly, Nicole (Reilly)
    - Henna Rasul (Rasul)
  - b. Public
    - Pam Payne (UNR)
  - d. **Quorum established**
2. Public Comment.
    - None
3. **For Discussion and Possible Action:**
    - a. Approval of meeting minutes from March 3, 2022.
    - b. Motion to amend the meeting minutes to show Harig was in attendance.
    - c. Meeting Minutes approved as amended.

1. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** Ortenburger, of SafeNest provided research and findings regarding **Standards for Advocacy Training**. Ortenburger stated that the Victim Advocacy definition is lacking. Ortenburger recommended following California as a model for its victim advocacy training. In California, Victim Advocates are called Victim Counselors, they provide 40 hours of supervised training, they go into a long list of what needs to be included in that training. Requirements for trainers is they must have a certificate from the State of California showing they are a qualified victim advocacy trainer- State Certified Advocacy Training. While an increase in the number of hours for advocacy training is important, we should also use California as a model for its victim advocacy training. Also, should add batterer's assistance to take the training as well. Greene stated that current Nevada law includes HT, DV, and SA advocacy and Best Practices information. Ortenburger stated the 40-hour training should have a recertification period, once per year, or every two years, etc. Greene stated OVC attendees must renew certification annually and she also stated offering continuing education is essential.

Reilly will compile the research from both Greene and Ortenburger and will create a draft for review and discussion at a meeting before the upcoming CVD meeting.

2. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** Ramos provided the Blue Cards. Ortenburger stated the DA-LE vs. Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) should be added as it is a better screening mechanism as it is weighted in the scoring. LAP screens assumes everyone is high risk. Ortenburger stated we need a better screening mechanism. DA-LE is a more meaningful and effective mechanism in comparison to LAP. Greene believes the DA-LE will be much

more effective, however, she fears this mechanism will become too political, and requests to find an alternative solution. Greene went on to say that the process went from a conversational situation where a police officer speaks to the victim during a 911 call, but the processes of DA-LE and LAP has become a check box process which has eliminated human interaction. Pam stated that part of the problem is having law enforcement as an audience, engaging law enforcement more and the problem being they are not open to the process. Larson suggested implementing a strong follow up process. Ortenburger stated it is difficult to follow up with victims.

Reilly to add DA-LE mechanism to the recommendation sheet.

Reilly suggested to continue the discussion on LAP and DA-LE mechanisms at the next subcommittee.

4. Public Comment.

a. None

5. **For Possible Action**

Adjournment.

a. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by **Gina Hinds**  
Edited by **Nicole Reilly**  
Office of the Attorney General

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