

Interpersonal Violence includes: Dating Violence Domestic Violence And Sexual Violence

These come in the form of physical, sexual, emotional or economic actions or threats that influence another person. They include any behaviors that involve a pattern of control and attempts to frighten, intimidate, terrorize, manipulate, hurt, humiliate, blame, injure or wound someone. Children can be affected either directly or indirectly by interpersonal violence.

Interpersonal violence can happen to anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender. It can happen to couples who are married, living together, dating, or no longer together. It can also happen among family members living together. These things affect people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels.

What We Do

- Emergency shelter
- Crisis intervention, case management, and legal services
- Support groups
- Children's services
- Community Education and Prevention programs
- Information & referrals
- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Response Teams

Services are

- Always **free and confidential** with the exception of threats to harm self, others or in cases of child abuse
- Available from **bilingual/bicultural** advocates in Spanish and Arabic
- Available **regardless** of sex, gender, sexual orientation, race, religion, national origin, immigration status, or socioeconomic status

The **Passaic County Women's Center** assists those affected by:

- gender harassment
- lesbian or gay baiting
- sexual harassment
- stalking
- dating violence
- intimate partner violence
- criminal sexual contact
- sexual assault
- drug facilitated sexual assault

The **Passaic County Women's Center** provides accompaniment to hospitals for the collection of forensic evidence, preventative treatment for exposure to sexually transmitted diseases, and options regarding potential pregnancy as a result of a sexual assault.

Accompaniment to law enforcement agencies and court is also available.

How you can help

You can help a friend or family member who is, or has been, affected by interpersonal violence:

- ❖ Physical safety is the first priority. If you believe a person is in danger, refer them to 911 for medical attention or to the shelter hotline for a safe place.
- ❖ Know the facts about interpersonal violence/relationship abuse.
- ❖ Assure the person that you believe them and want to help.
- ❖ Do not judge or give advice.
- ❖ Help them to find out what options are available to them.
- ❖ Assure them that they are not to blame for their partner's behavior.

Passaic County Women's Center is a private, non-profit agency located in Passaic County, New Jersey and is a division of NJAC

Helpful Numbers

Passaic County Women's Center

24-hour Hotline:

973-881-1450

Outreach Services:

Monday-Friday

9am-5pm

973-881-0725

Medical Treatment

St. Joseph's Hospital 973-754-2000

St. Mary's Hospital 973-365-4300

Legal

PCWC Legal Advocate 973-247-8490

Northeast NJ Legal Services 973-523-2900

Family Court DV Unit 973-247-8487, 8488

Children's Services

PALS Program 973-777-2058

Victim Assistance

Victim Witness Advocacy 973-881-4887

Hotlines

Statewide Domestic Violence 800-572-SAFE

Statewide Sexual Assault 800-601-7200

Legal Services of NJ 888-576-5529

*Child Abuse & Neglect 877-NJ Abuse
877-652-2873*

Health & Human Services 2-1-1

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