Delphi Instrument for Hospital-based Domestic Violence Programs

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CATEGORY 1: HOSPITAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

| 1.1 | Are there official, written hospital policies regarding the assessment and treatment of victims of domestic violence? If yes, do these policies: | | No (0) | | □ Yes (1) |
|-----|---|---|--------|----|------------|
| | | | | | |
| | a) define domestic violence? | | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (2) |
| | b) mandate training on domestic violence for any staff? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | c) advocate universal screening for women anywhere in the hospital? | | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (2) |
| | d) define who is responsible for screening? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | e) address documentation? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | f) address referral of victims? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | g) address legal reporting requirements? | ۵ | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| 1.2 | Is there evidence of a hospital-based domestic violence task force? If yes, does the task force: | | No (0) | | □ Yes (3) |
| | a) meet at least every month? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | b) include representatives from more than two departments? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | c) include representatives from the security department? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | d) include physicians from the medical staff? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| | e) include representatives from a domestic violence advocacy organization? | | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (2) |
| | f) include representatives from hospital administration? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (2) |
| 1.3 | Does the hospital provide direct financial support for the domestic violence program? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (0) |
| | If yes, how much annual funding? (<u>Choose one</u>): | | | | |
| | a) < \$5000/year | | | | □ Yes (6) |
| | b) \$5000-\$10,000/year | | | or | □ Yes (12) |
| | c) > \$10,000/year | | | or | □ Yes (17) |
| 1.4 | Is there a mandatory universal screening policy in place? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (0) |

| | If yes, does the policy require screening of all women: (choose one) | | | | |
|-----|---|----|--------|-------|------------|
| | a) in the emergency department (ED) or any other out-patient area? | | | | ☐ Yes (6) |
| | b) in in-patient units only? | | | or | □ Yes (6) |
| | c) in more than one out-patient area? | | | or | □ Yes (10) |
| | d) in both in-patient and out-patient areas? | | | or | ☐ Yes (14) |
| 1.5 | Are there administrative enforcement procedures in place to ensure domestic violence screening? | | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (0) |
| | If yes, are there: | | | | |
| | a) regular chart audits to assess screening? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (6) |
| | b) positive reinforcers to promote screening? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (4) |
| | c) punitive measures for lack of screening? | | No (0) | | □ Yes (5) |
| 1.6 | Are there procedures for security measures to be taken when victims of domestic violence are identified? If yes, are there: | | No (0) | | □ Yes (0) |
| | a) written procedures that outline the security department's role in working with victims and perpetrators? | ٥ | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (6) |
| | b) procedures that include name/phone block for victims admitted to hospital? | ٥ | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (3) |
| | c) procedures that include provisions for safe transport from the hospital to shelter? | 0 | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (3) |
| 1.7 | Is there an identifiable domestic violence coordinator at the hospital? If yes is it a: (<u>choose one</u>) | ۰ | No (0) | | ☐ Yes (0) |
| | a) part time position or included in responsibilities of someone with other responsibilities? | | | | ☐ Yes (8) |
| | b) full-time position with no other responsibilities? | | | or | ☐ Yes (12) |
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CATEGORY 2: HOSPITAL PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

| 2.1 | Are there posters and/or brochures related to domestic violence on public display in the hospital? | | No (0) | □ Y | es (0) | |
|---|---|---|--------|-------------|---------|--|
| | If yes, list total number of <u>locations</u> (up to 35): | | |) (_ | _) | |
| 2.2 | Is there referral information (local, State, or national phone numbers) related to domestic violence services on public display in the hospital? (Can be included on the posters/brochure noted above). | | No (0) | □ Y | es (0) | |
| | If yes, list total number <u>locations</u> (up to 35): | | | • (_ | _) | |
| 2.3 | Does the hospital provide temporary (<24 hours) safe shelter for victims of domestic violence who cannot go home or cannot be placed in a community-based shelter? If yes: (choose one) | ٠ | No (0) | □ Y | es (0) | |
| | a) Victims are permitted to stay in ED until placement is secured. | | | □ Y | es (15) | |
| | b) Victims are provided with safe respite room, separate from ED, until placement is secured. | | or | □ Y | es (25) | |
| | c) In-patient beds are available for victims until placement is secured. | | or | □ Y | es (30) | |
| TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 2 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | | |

CATEGORY 3: HOSPITAL CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

| 3.1 | In the last 3 years, has there been a formal (written) assessment of the hospital staff's knowledge and attitude about domestic violence? If yes, which groups have been assessed? | ۵ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (0) |
|---|--|---|--------|----|------------|----------|
| | a) nursing staff | | No (0) | | □ Y | Yes (7) |
| | b) medical staff | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (7) |
| | c) administration | | No (0) | | □ Y | Yes (8) |
| | d) other staff/employees | | No (0) | | <u> </u> | Yes (7) |
| 3.2 | How long has the hospital's domestic violence program been in existence? (Choose one): | | | | | |
| | a) 1-24 months | | | | □ Y | Yes (3) |
| | b) 24-48 months | | | or | □ Y | Yes (6) |
| | c) >48 months | | | or | - Y | Yes (11) |
| 3.3 | Does the hospital have plans in place for responding to employees experiencing domestic violence? If yes: | ۵ | No (0) | | □ Y | Yes (0) |
| | a) Is there a hospital policy covering the topic of domestic violence in the workplace? | ۵ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (7) |
| | b) Does the Employee Assistance Program maintain specific policies and procedures for dealing with employees experiencing domestic violence? | ۵ | No (0) | | <u> </u> | Yes (7) |
| | c) Is the topic of domestic violence among employees covered in the hospital training sessions and/or orientation? | ٥ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (7) |
| 3.4 | Does the hospital's domestic violence program address cultural competency issues? If yes: | ۵ | No (0) | | □ Y | Yes (0) |
| | a) Does the hospital's policy specifically recommend universal screening regardless of the patient's cultural background? | ۵ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (6) |
| | b) Are cultural issues discussed in the hospital's domestic violence training program? | ۵ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (6) |
| | c) Are translators/interpreters available for working with victims if English is not the victim's first language? | ۵ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (3) |
| | d) Are referral information and brochures related to domestic violence available in languages other than English? | ۵ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (4) |
| 3.5 | Does the hospital participate in preventive outreach and public education activities on the topic of domestic violence? If yes, is there documentation of: (choose one) | ۵ | No (0) | | □ Y | Yes (0) |
| | a) 1 program in the last 12 months? | | | | □ Y | Yes (15) |
| | b) >1 program in the last 12 months? | | | or | <u> </u> | Yes (20) |
| TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 3 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | S) = | |

CATEGORY 4: TRAINING OF PROVIDERS

| 4.1 | Has a formal training plan been developed for the institution? If yes: | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (10) |
|---|---|---|--------|----|------------|----------|
| | a) Does the plan include the provision of regular, ongoing education for clinical staff? | ٥ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (10) |
| | b) Does the plan include the provision of regular, ongoing education for non-clinical staff? | ٥ | No (0) | | □ Y | Yes (10) |
| 4.2 | During the past 12 months, has the hospital provided training on domestic violence: | | | | | |
| | a) as part of the mandatory orientation for new staff? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (15) |
| | b) to members of the medical staff via grand rounds or other sessions? | ٥ | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (15) |
| 4.3 | Does the hospital's training/education on domestic violence include information about: | | | | | |
| | a) definitions of domestic violence? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | b) dynamics of domestic violence? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | c) epidemiology? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | d) health consequences? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | e) strategies for screening? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | f) assessment? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | g) documentation? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | h) intervention? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | i) safety planning? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | j) community resources? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | k) reporting requirements? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | I) legal issues? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | m) confidentiality? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | n) cultural competency? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| | o) clinical signs/symptoms? | | No (0) | | - Y | Yes (1) |
| 4.4 | Is the domestic violence training provided by: (choose one) | | | | | |
| | a) no training provided | | | | | Yes (0) |
| | b) a single individual? | | | or | - Y | Yes (10) |
| | c) a team of hospital employees only? | | | or | - Y | Yes (15) |
| | d) a team, including community expert/s? | | | or | <u> </u> | Yes (25) |
| TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 4 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | | |

CATEGORY 5: SCREENING AND SAFETY ASSESSMENT

| 5.1 | Does the hospital use a standardized instrument, with at least 3 questions, to screen patients for domestic violence? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (0) |
|---|---|--|--------|------------|----------|
| | If yes, is this instrument: (<u>choose one</u>) | | | | |
| | a) included, as a separate form, in the clinical record? | | | - Y | Yes (20) |
| | b) incorporated as questions in the clinical record for all charts in ED or other out-patient area? | | or | - Y | Yes (25) |
| | c) incorporated as questions in the clinical record for all charts in two or more out-patient areas? | | or | - Y | Yes (30) |
| | d) incorporated as questions in clinical record for all charts in out-patient and in-patient areas? | | or | - Y | Yes (36) |
| 5.2 | What percentage of eligible patients have documentation of domestic violence screening (based upon random sample of charts in any clinical area)? | | | | |
| | a) Not done or not applicable | | | - Y | Yes (0) |
| | b) 0%-10% | | or | - ' | Yes (4) |
| | c) 11%-25% | | or | □ Y | Yes (9) |
| | d) 26%-50% | | or | □ Y | Yes (18) |
| | e) 51%-75% | | or | _ Y | Yes (28) |
| | f) 76%-100% | | or | - Y | Yes (37) |
| 5.3 | Is a standardized safety assessment performed and discussed with victims who screen positive for domestic violence? | | No (0) | - 5 | Yes (27) |
| TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 5 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | |

CATEGORY 6: DOCUMENTATION

| 6.1 | Does the hospital use a standardized documentation instrument to record known or suspected cases of domestic violence? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (0) | | |
|-------|--|---|--------|------------|----------|--|--|
| | If yes, does the form include: | | | | | | |
| | a) information on the results of domestic violence screening? | ۵ | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | b) the victim's description of current and/or past abuse? | ۵ | No (0) | □ Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | c) the name of the alleged perpetrator and relationship to the victim? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | d) a body map to document injuries? | | No (0) | □ Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | e) information documenting the referrals provided to the victim? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| 6.2 | Is forensic photography incorporated in the documentation procedure? | | No (0) | _ Y | Yes (0) | | |
| | If yes: | | | | | | |
| | a) Is a fully operational camera with adequate film available in the treatment area? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | b) Do hospital staff receive on-going training on the use of the camera? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | c) Do hospital staff routinely offer to photograph all abused patients with injuries? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | d) Is a specific, unique consent-to-photograph form obtained prior to photographing any injuries? | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) | | |
| | e) Do medical or nursing staff (not social work or a DV advocate) photograph all injuries for medical documentation purposes, even if police obtain their own photographs for evidence purposes? | | No (0) | <u> </u> | Yes (10) | | |
| TOTAL | OTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 6 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | | |

CATEGORY 7: INTERVENTION SERVICES

| 7.1 | Is there a standard intervention checklist for staff to use/refer to when victims are identified? | | No (0) | | □ Y | es (14) |
|-------|---|--|--------|-----|-------|----------|
| 7.2 | Are "on-site" victim advocacy services provided? If yes, <u>choose one</u> : | | No (0) | | □ Y | (es (0) |
| | a) A trained victim advocate provides services during certain hours. | | | | □ Y | es (10) |
| | b) A trained victim advocate provides service at all times. | | | or | □ Y | es (20) |
| 7.3 | Are mental health/psychological assessments performed within the context of the program? If yes, are they: (choose one) | | No (0) | | □ Y | (es (0) |
| | a) available, when indicated? | | | | □ Y | (es (5) |
| | b) performed routinely? | | | or | □ Y | es (9) |
| 7.4 | Is transportation provided for victims, if needed? | | No (0) | | □ Y | es (10) |
| 7.5 | Does the hospital domestic violence program include follow-up contact and counseling with victims after the initial assessment? | | No (0) | | □ Y | Tes (15) |
| 7.6 | Does the hospital domestic violence program offer and provide on-site legal options counseling for victims? | | No (0) | | □ Y | (es (9) |
| 7.7 | Does the hospital domestic violence program offer and provide domestic violence services for the children of victims? | | No (0) | | □ Y | Tes (11) |
| 7.8 | Is there evidence of coordination between the hospital domestic violence program and sexual assault, mental health and substance abuse screening and treatment? | | No (0) | | □ Y | es (12) |
| TOTAL | TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 7 | | | OIN | ΓS) = | |

CATEGORY 8: EVALUATION ACTIVITIES

| 8.1 | Are any formal evaluation procedures in place to monitor the quality of the domestic violence program? If yes: | | No (0) | □ Y | ves (25) |
|---|---|--|--------|-----|----------|
| | a) Do evaluation activities include periodic monitoring of charts to audit for domestic violence screening? | | No (0) | □ Y | es (18) |
| | b) Do evaluation activities include peer-to-peer case reviews around domestic violence? | | No (0) | □ Y | es (17) |
| 8.2 | Do health care providers receive standardized feedback on their performance and on patients? | | No (0) | □ Y | es (21) |
| 8.3 | Is there any measurement of client satisfaction and/or community satisfaction with the domestic violence program? | | No (0) | □ Y | es (19) |
| TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 8 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | |

CATEGORY 9: COLLABORATION

| 9.1 | Does the hospital collaborate with local domestic violence programs? If yes, which types of collaboration apply: | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (0) |
|---|---|---|--------|------------|----------|
| | a) collaboration with training? | ۵ | No (0) | - Y | Yes (10) |
| | b) collaboration on policy and procedure development? | ۵ | No (0) | □ Y | Yes (10) |
| | c) collaboration on DV task force? | ٥ | No (0) | - Y | es (10) |
| | d) collaboration on site service provision? | ٥ | No (0) | - Y | Yes (12) |
| 9.2 | Does the hospital collaborate with local law enforcement agencies in conjunction with their DV program? If yes, which types of collaboration apply: | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (0) |
| | a) collaboration with training? | ۵ | No (0) | - Y | Yes (11) |
| | b) collaboration on policy and procedure development? | ۵ | No (0) | □ Y | es (11) |
| | c) collaboration on DV task force? | ۵ | No (0) | - Y | Yes (12) |
| 9.3 | Is there collaboration with the domestic violence program of other health care facilities? If yes, which types of collaboration apply: | | No (0) | - Y | Yes (0) |
| | a) within the same health care system? | ٥ | No (0) | - Y | es (12) |
| | b) with other systems in the region? | ٥ | No (0) | - Y | Yes (12) |
| TOTAL SCORE FOR CATEGORY 9 (SUM ALL POINTS) = | | | | | |