

What is the purpose of this study? Why are we doing this?

> The purpose of this study is to assess domestic violence (DV) services in New Mexico (NM) from the perspectives of DV survivors, both those who have sought DV services and those who have experienced DV but not sought service.

- This is a follow-up to a previous study that focused on DV organizations and systems.
- We want to better understand the survivors' perspectives on DV services, barriers, access, supportive services, and recommendations.
- This will NOT be about the survivors' domestic violence experiences.

Who will conduct the study?

A research team from the University of New Mexico Prevention Research Center with experience in training, trauma-informed care, and best practices for interviewing.

### Are you evaluating our program?

No, it is a needs assessment of DV services and prevention statewide, from the perspective of survivors.



Who do we want to talk to?

• Adults at least 18 years old

- People who have experience of DV within the last 5 years, but not in active distress
- People in New Mexico at the time they experienced DV
- Ability to provide informed consent
- Anyone who experienced DV is eligible including LGBTQ+, men, people of all races and ethnicities, immigrants, and refugees

Who do people contact if they are interested?

They can contact the UNM Prevention Research Center number in the flyer.

# Can Spanish-speaking people participate?

#### Yes.

We will have a Spanish speaking interviewer and materials will be translated.



What's in it for the participants?

Interview participants could feel good about contributing to a study that will help to better understand domestic violence service needs in New Mexico. They will also receive a \$50 gift card as compensation for their time.

How many interviews will be conducted?

Up to eighty (80). Thirty-six (36) who have experienced DV and forty-four (44) who have experienced but did not seek services from mainstream programs.

How will the interviews be conducted?

- The participants will participate in a one-hour interview which will be conducted by phone or on Zoom. If a potential participant is unable or unwilling to use this mode, an in-person interview may be scheduled and conducted at a safe, quiet location agreed upon by the interviewee and interviewer.
- At the beginning of the interview, the interviewer will introduce themselves and the note taker and review the information on the consent document, then they will explain the process.

 Experienced interviewers will use trauma-informed approach to the interviews. The interview guide includes breaks for self-care and check-ins.

• The participant can stop the interview at any time if they want and can choose not to answer questions.

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What if someone experience distress in the interview?

We will stop the interview and check in with the participant to see what they need. We have a list of resources that we can connect them with including the crisis line.

What security and privacy measures will be employed to maintain confidentiality?

No identifying information is collected in the interviews. Data will be summarized. Audio files will be deleted after they have been transcribed.

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