



Effective Programming with Voluntary Services with Anna Melbin, National Network to End Domestic Violence

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The Voluntary Services (VS) model is becoming recognized as best practice for providers serving victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Federal funders, such as the Office on Violence Against Women, are increasingly requiring this approach to victim services as a funding condition, and feedback from advocates and survivors is overwhelmingly positive. The VS model allows survivors to choose which supports they will participate in and means that program eligibility is not contingent upon participation in support services. This model can be a shift from 'business as usual' for some providers and their community partners. Join us as we provide an overview of the service model and consider strategies for promoting survivor participation without mandating services. Our discussion will include:

- A brief overview of the history and supporting research of this approach
- The basics of the model and strategies for implementation
- Program outcomes and definitions of success, and
- Resources for using this model with community members and other funders.

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