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CDVSA releases Intimate Partner Violence – Interactive Data Dashboard

October 7, 2020 (JUNEAU, Alaska) – The Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA) is excited to announce, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, a new interactive tool providing easier access to data related to intimate partner and domestic violence—the [Intimate Partner Violence-Interactive Data Dashboard](#) (IPV-IDD).

The data highlighted in the Dashboard is related to three primary aspects of domestic violence—physical violence, coercive control and entrapment, and psychological aggression.

“With the creation of this dashboard, Alaska illustrates the benefit of a true researcher-practitioner partnership. This easy-to-use tool gives victim advocates access to key data that can guide their work,” said Susan Howley, Director of the Center for Victim Research. “I love this tool!”

The IPV-IDD combined data from the Alaska Victimization Survey (AVS), conducted statewide in 2010 and 2015, with regional surveys in the intervening years. The AVS is primarily designed to provide estimates of both lifetime and past-year intimate partner violence (IPV) victimization for non-institutionalized, English-speaking adult women residing in Alaska. The AVS is a unique survey of Alaska women across the state, obtaining first person responses related to experienced domestic and sexual violence. The Alaska Victimization Survey, modeled after the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s *National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey*, is conducted in Alaska every five years. The UAA Justice Center and CDVSA are currently conducting the 2020 survey. After data from the 2020 AVS is collected and analyzed it will be added to the IPV-IDD.

“While findings from the AVS have been used by CDVSA and others within Alaska, this is the first time many of these data points have been available to the general public,” said Troy Payne, Director of Alaska Justice Information Center.

The AVS data has provided CDVSA and its partner agencies the ability to refine victim service delivery models, enhance prevention and intervention programming, and strengthen their advocacy efforts with state, local and tribal providers and policymakers. Through the IPV-IDD project, CDVSA can enhance the utility of AVS data to grantees and other state and community partners.

“Quality data that can tell the story of domestic violence in Alaska is key to better understanding needs, gaps and critical issues that contribute to violence including ways to reduce and end domestic violence across the state” said L. Diane Casto, Executive Director of CDVSA. “We are excited to share this new tool and encourage everyone to visit the IPV-IDD and explore the data.”

The IPV-IDD project was funded with a mini-grant from the Center for Victim Research (CVR), which is funded by the Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. In collaboration with CVR and the Alaska Justice Information Center at the University of Alaska Anchorage, an interactive data dashboard was developed to provide users with customizable, compelling and dynamic visualizations of Alaska's intimate partner violence (IPV) victimization patterns.

More information regarding CDVSA and its programs and services can be found online at: <https://dps.alaska.gov/CDVSA/Home>

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