

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**  
between  
**THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (OCS)**  
and the  
**JUNEAU BATTERER ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM (JBAP), a program of**  
**AIDING WOMEN IN ABUSE AND RAPE EMERGENCIES, INC. (AWARE)**

This agreement is between the Office of Children's Services Juneau Field Office and the Juneau Batterer Accountability Program. The parties agree:

**The primary purposes of this agreement are to:**

- protect victims of domestic violence from additional acts of violence committed by perpetrators, including children;
- deter perpetrators from committing continued acts of violence against others;
- create a general deterrence to domestic violence in this community;
- hold perpetrators of domestic violence accountable for their behaviors.

**The Juneau Batterer Accountability Program agrees to:**

1. Provide a batterer's intervention program that meets the standards set by and is approved by the Department of Corrections under AS 44.28.020(b) to persons who have been referred by the Court, OCS, etc., and have been admitted into its program. Requirements for admission into the program include an interview and intake with the referred person that includes screening for lethality, alcohol and drug abuse, history of abuse, and family and relationship history. In addition, the referred person will be required to complete two (2) orientation sessions, and fill out and submit required forms concerning the program's releases of information, confidentiality, duty to warn, duty to report child and vulnerable adult abuse, monitoring reports to the Court and other relevant agencies. The referred person will be required to enter into a written contract with the JBAP which specifies attendance requirements of the program, number of sessions required for completion, policies regarding missed sessions, homework requirements, and the consequences of failing to comply with the program requirements.
2. Warn OCS, when appropriate, of a participant's threat of harm, destruction of property, or violation of orders.
3. Notify OCS of any suspicion or knowledge of child abuse or neglect.
4. Meet with OCS on an as needed basis for participant compliance information when OCS has referred a participant to the JBAP.

**The Office Children's Services agrees to:**

1. Assist in helping to warn a victim (or others) of any perceived danger from a person ordered to participate in the JBAP.
2. Provide the JBAP with any relevant information allowed by law that is necessary to conduct an accurate evaluation of the participant's lethality.
3. Refer victims in need of domestic violence related intervention services to AWARE, Inc.

The parties acknowledge and understand that attendance and/or completion of the JBAP does not guarantee that the participant will not engage in violent or abusive behavior.

**Period of Agreement / Termination of Agreement**

This agreement has no expiration date but can be terminated upon written notice by either party.

**Modifications / Provisions Amendment**

This agreement, or any of its specific provisions, may be revised by written modification of both parties signatory hereto, or their respective designees.

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Ritchie Sonner  
Southeast Regional Manager  
Office of Children's Services

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Date

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Saralyn Tabachnick  
Executive Director  
AWARE, Inc.

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Date