

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children, Youth and Families**

**ACCESSING KEY TEEN DATING VIOLENCE RESOURCES**

February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month (TDVAM). The Family Violence Prevention and Services Program (FVPSA) fully supports efforts to raise awareness about abuse in teen and 20-something relationships and promote programs that prevent dating violence during TDVAM and throughout the year. For more information about TDVAM, visit: [www.teendvmonth.org](http://www.teendvmonth.org).



This February, the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (NRC DV) is pleased to announce newly updated resources on preventing and responding to teen dating violence, found at [VAWnet.org](http://VAWnet.org).

**If you know of a teen or parent that could benefit from speaking to a caring, well-trained peer advocate, please connect them with the National Dating Abuse Helpline, a project of the National Domestic Violence Hotline, at 1-866-331-9474 (TTY: 1-866-331-8453), by texting "loveis" to 77054, or through live chat at [loveisrespect.org](http://loveisrespect.org).**

**Special Collection**

***Preventing and Responding to Teen Dating Violence*** (Updated December 2011)

This collection of materials including curricula, training tools, guide books, fact sheets, Applied Research papers, and model programs, emphasizes collaborative and multilevel approaches to the prevention of and response to teen dating violence. It includes information related to: 1) young people, 2) parents and care takers, 3) men and boys, 4) teachers and school-based professionals, 5) health care professionals, and 6) domestic violence and sexual violence service providers.

<http://www.vawnet.org/special-collections/TDV.php>

**Online Toolkit**

***Runaway & Homeless Youth and Relationship Violence Toolkit*** (Updated August 2011)

This toolkit was developed by and for advocates, from the runaway and homeless youth and domestic violence and sexual assault fields, to help programs better address relationship violence among youth who have run away from home, are living on the streets or are homeless. Sections of the Toolkit include key terms and definitions, research and resources, a look at each field, recommendations for building partnerships and services, sample materials, and help for teens in need. For a one page fact sheet about the toolkit, visit: [http://www.vawnet.org/Assoc\\_Files\\_VAWnet/NRC DV\\_RHY1-pager.pdf](http://www.vawnet.org/Assoc_Files_VAWnet/NRC DV_RHY1-pager.pdf)

Access the toolkit directly at: <http://www.nrcdv.org/rhydvtoolkit/>

**About the NRC DV and VAWnet**

The [National Resource Center on Domestic Violence](http://www.nrcdv.org) (NRC DV) is a comprehensive source of information for those wanting to educate themselves and help others on the many issues related to domestic violence, offering technical assistance, training, resource development, and a variety of special projects that support effective prevention and response efforts. A project of the NRC DV, The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women (VAWnet) is a comprehensive and easily accessible online collection of full-text, searchable materials and resources on domestic violence, sexual violence and related issues.