

Support the Cause!

DVSCP is always looking for volunteers. Below are a few ways you can get involved.

Direct Support of Clients - Training is required to answer the hotline and to provide confidential personal assistance to victims.

Shelter and Office Work - Call to learn about our current needs.

Community Activities - Agency information tables at community events.

Board Activities - Support the work of the board by helping with committee work.

All Volunteers must complete the volunteer application process—interview required.

Empowerment Philosophy

- Consider all relationships to be reciprocal and between equals.
- Communicate directly, with no hidden agenda.
- Value individual differences and belief systems equally in the organization.
- Nurture individual growth to enhance well-being.

Resources

Victim Services Division: 717-240-6220

Cumberland Co. Department of Aging & Community Services: 717-240-6110

Perry Co. Area Agency on Aging: 717-582-5128

Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Services of Cumberland Co. 24-Hour Hotline: 1-888-727-2877

MidPenn Legal Services: 717-243-9400

Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.pcadv.org

Break the Cycle: www.breakthecycle.org

Love is Respect: www.loveisrespect.org

The official registration and financial information of Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland & Perry Counties may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania 1 (800) 732-0999.

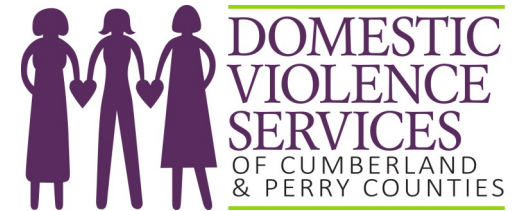
Registration does not imply endorsement.



A Program Partner

Intimate Partner Violence IN LATER LIFE

Mission: DVSCP supports the empowerment of those who are experiencing domestic violence through the provision of direct services and the promotion of nonviolence through social and systems change.



Cumberland Co. Phone: 717-258-4806

Perry Co. Phone: 717-582-8900

Hotline: 1-800-852-2102

Mailing Address:

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Carlisle, PA 17013

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/DVSCP



What Does IPVILL Look Like?

Intimate partner violence in later life (IPVILL) is the physical, financial, sexual, and/or emotional abuse of an individual aged 60 and older by a current or former intimate partner, spouse, or family member. It may include:

- Physical Abuse—Hitting; pinching; restraining; forcing the survivor to take medication against his/her will; breaking of bones; hiding walkers, chairs, glasses, hearing aids, dentures, and other assistive devices.
- Sexual Abuse—Forcing the survivor to perform sex acts or watch pornography; sexually touching or molesting the survivor while caregiving during toileting or bathing routines; taking unsolicited nude/sexual photos or videos and selling them or posting online without permission.
- Emotional Abuse—Gaslighting; isolation; treating a survivor like an infant; threatening to withdraw, destroy, or hide important paperwork relating to immigration status, passports, ID cards, and/or healthcare cards; threatening to withhold medications.
- Financial Abuse—Illegally misusing the survivor's money, property, and/or assets; abusing and/or exploiting power of attorney or guardianship; holding the older adult hostage for use of finances, assets, property and/or benefits; using finances as a coercive bargaining tool for daily care, food, etc.

How do We Spot IPVILL?

- Lack of social connections and support
- Unexplained bruising or broken bones
- Lack of basic hygiene
- No or limited access to adequate food and/or clothing
- Unexplained weight loss
- Unexplained lack of funds
- Missing medication
- Seemingly over or under medicated
- Suddenly pulled from enjoyable activities
- Missing or broken medical equipment

Power & Control Wheel



Client Services

All services are **FREE and CONFIDENTIAL**. This program is not a mandated reporter for elder abuse.

- 24-hour hotline: **1-800-852-2102**
- 30-day emergency shelter
- Legal and medical advocacy and accompaniment
- Assistance with protection from abuse orders (PFAs)
- Adult empowerment counseling
- Child supportive counseling
- Adult support groups
- Community education and prevention programming available for schools, organizations, and businesses
- Information and referrals

IPVILL by the Numbers

- Spouses or partners of older adult victims are the most frequent perpetrators of physical abuse (76%) and sexual abuse (36%).
- 1 in 10 adults over the age of 60 are abused, neglected, or financially exploited.
- 76% of physical abuse toward an older adult is perpetrated by a family member.