Improving Community Preparedness to Assist Victims of Mass Violence & Domestic Terrorism: Training & Technical Assistance (ICP TTA)

**BEST PRACTICE AREAS:**

- Criminal Justice System - Victim Support
- Behavioral Health Response

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**ICPTTA & NOVA**

- ICPTTA works to augment existing emergency response plans to include comprehensive and realistic victim care in response to mass violence and domestic terrorism.

- As the leading training organization for victim advocates in the country and a partner in the ICPTTA program, NOVA has adapted trainings that focus on certain response areas and how they fit into the larger overall planning and response.

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**ICPTTA BEST PRACTICE AREAS**

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Criminal Justice System - Victim Support

Does your plan include how to support a large volume of victims and families as the case moves through the criminal justice system?

• An overview of the role of the victim advocate (e.g. 24-hour crisis response, companionsing, criminal justice victim support)
• Training on the use of prosecutorial advocacy
• Understanding the long-term impact of trauma
• Training on skill-based intervention
• Practical issues for multiple victims involved in protracted criminal justice processes
• Understanding the use of post-trauma resources

Behavioral Health Response - Early Planning

• Do service providers have training in Disaster and/or Mass Violence Response?
• Are trained providers included in the community response plan?
• Identification of local behavioral health services & responders
• Plan for pre-crisis training of local behavioral health responders (NOVA 3-hour “down & dirty” or 3-day NOVA Basic Crisis Response Training)™
• Review of NOVA “Companions” services and training of behavioral health responders

Behavioral Health Response - Activation/Deployment/Response

• Review of standby/activation/deployment of local crisis response team(s) process – including use of state or national support resources, if necessary
• Use of behavioral health staff/volunteers to respond to mass violence under the direction of local law enforcement, FBI, EMA, Governor’s Office, victim assistance, Red Cross, etc. (Companions survive through available services, Group Crisis Intervention, etc.)
• Staffing of table at FAC/Resiliency Center with local behavioral health resources, materials, one-on-one services, follow up, etc.
Accessing NOVA's ICPTTA Trainings

• To access the trainings discussed in this recording:

Please contact ICPTTA at
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ICPTTA will work with NOVA to schedule trainings.

Sampling of Resources

A full list of resources will be provided during training

• National Organization for Victim Assistance The Community Crisis Response Team Training Manual Edition 4.0


• National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center https://www.nmvvrc.org/