



ÆQUITAS
THE PROSECUTORS' RESOURCE
ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON THE PROSECUTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**JANUARY 12-15, 2010
IN DALLAS, TEXAS**

The National Institute on the Prosecution of Domestic Violence (NIPDV) is a three and one-half day course designed to challenge participants to reevaluate their approach to prosecuting domestic violence crimes. NIPDV explores the complex issues faced by prosecutors in balancing offender accountability and the impact of criminal prosecution on victims. In addition to practical case evaluation and litigation skills, the curriculum addresses the development and improvement of culturally sensitive victim services by prosecutors; examines the benefits of developing a coordinated, victim-centered community response; explains common injuries, relevant medical evidence and offers guidance on the use of medical experts; explores ethical issues confronted by prosecutors; and offers prosecutors the ability to redefine outcomes and the very nature of justice in domestic violence cases.

NIPDV uses hypothetical case problems, role-playing exercises, small group discussions, mini-lectures, and faculty demonstrations. Rather than reading specific case law, participants employ case evaluation, preparation, and trial skills to understand domestic violence in the various contexts in which it occurs and examine their current attitudes and practices. The highly interactive format enables prosecutors from different jurisdictions, with varied levels of experience, to learn from one another and engage in "real-life" activities that are readily transferable to their everyday work. Prosecutors who have found strategies to overcome the unique challenges in handling domestic violence cases will share their success stories and techniques. Prosecutors will leave the institute with new ideas and methods for keeping victims safe and holding offenders accountable.

ÆEquitas is a new technical assistance and training provider created to address the needs of prosecutors and allied professionals - particularly OVW grantees - who work on issues related to the prosecution of violence against women.

ÆEquitas' mission is to improve the quality of justice in sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence cases by developing, evaluating, and refining prosecution practices that increase victim safety and offender accountability.





Application Process

This course is open to all prosecutors and attendance is free of charge; however, priority will be given to OVW grantees. There is no limit to the number of attendees from any jurisdiction. Seating is limited and applicants are encouraged to apply early. Applicants will be informed of acceptance by email.

CLE Credits

Attendance at this event will qualify participants for approximately 20 continuing legal education credit hours pending state approval. Please check with your state bar association in reference to application requirements.

Conference Location

Hotel Palomar Dallas
5300 East Mockingbird Lane
Dallas, TX 75206
Phone: (214) 520-7969
www.hotelpalomar-dallas.com

Transportation and Lodging

Participants are responsible for making and paying for their own travel and lodging arrangements. To ensure the special conference rate of \$115 at the Hotel Palomar, participants must call (214) 520-7969 or (800) 618-1090 and reference AEquitas. The special conference rate is available from January 8-18, 2010 if attendees are interested in extending their stay.

OVW Grantees

OVW Grant funds may be used to cover the cost of transportation and accommodations related to your attendance at NIPDV. Please contact your grant administrator for additional information.

Scholarships

Scholarships related to travel and accommodations may be available upon request. Please submit requests for financial aid to cmathews@aequitasresource.org for consideration.



NIPDV is presented by AEquitas: The Prosecutors' Resource on Violence Against Women in partnership with the Battered Women's Justice Project (BWJP) and the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

NIPDV 2010 COURSE APPLICATION FORM

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NOTE: Travel arrangements should not be made until email notification of individual acceptance into the course is received from AEquitas.

For additional information please call (202) 596-4226 or email cmathews@aequitasresource.org.

This application form must be completed in its entirety for consideration.

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Professional Title: _____

Jurisdiction/Organization: _____

Physical Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Office Phone: _____

Office Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Does your office receive OVW grant funds?

Yes No Unsure

If yes, please check all that apply:

GTEA Rural
S.T.O.P. Other



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