

## **Appendix C: Glossary of Terms**

ADAD: [See DBH (Division of Behavioral Health)]

Aftercare Plan: An offender's written plan for utilizing concepts learned in treatment. This plan shall include ways to maintain continued sobriety and continued pro-social support systems, and to maintain mental health needs.

Approved Provider: An individual who advertises or sets him/herself forth as having the capacity, knowledge, and training to evaluate and/or treat court ordered domestic violence offenders and has been approved by the Domestic Violence Offender Management Board and whose credentials have been verified by the Department of Regulatory Agencies pursuant to Section 16-11.8-103, C.R.S.

Approved Provider Working with Specific Offender Populations: An Approved Provider who has demonstrated his/her ability to meet the criteria as described in the *Standards* and the application process for specific offender populations.

Board: As defined in Section 16-11.8-102, C.R.S.

Clock Hours: 60 minutes in an hour.

Competencies, Additional: Some offenders have additional risk factors that require demonstration of additional competencies. Additional competencies shall be required for offenders based on risk factors and individual treatment needs, as determined at the initial evaluation or during Treatment Plan Reviews. Examples of additional competencies are listed in *Standard 5.08VI (A-G)*.

Competencies, Core: They represent the goals of treatment to be measured at Treatment Plan Reviews. There are 18 core competencies listed in *Standard 5.08V (A-R)*. These competencies shall be demonstrated by offenders prior to discharge.

Containment: The process of restraining, halting, and preventing the offender from engaging in further violence against an intimate partner through the application of supervision, surveillance, consequences, restrictions, and treatment as imposed by the courts, supervising agents of the courts, and approved providers.

Containment Group: Those involved in the containment of a specific domestic violence offender. These persons may include supervising agents of the court (in some instances may be more than one agent of the court), the court, and Approved Providers in conjunction with the victim advocate.

Criminal Justice System: includes activities and agencies, whether state or local, public or private, pertaining to the prevention, prosecution and defense of offenses, the disposition of offenders under the criminal law and the disposition or treatment of

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juveniles adjudicated to have committed an act which, if committed by an adult, would be a crime. This system includes police, public prosecutors, defense counsel, courts, correction systems, mental health agencies, crime victims and all public and private agencies providing services in connection with those elements, whether voluntarily, contractually or by order of a court.

DBH: The Division of Behavioral Health, formerly Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division (ADAD), is responsible for licensing substance abuse programs, pursuant to Part 2 of Article 2 of Title 25, C.R.S. DBH's address and phone number is as follows: Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health, 3824 West Princeton Circle., Denver, Colorado, 80236, 303-866-7400.

Denial, Severe: This level of denial consists of offenders who deny committing the current offense and refuse to acknowledge responsibility for even remotely similar behaviors. Offenders may also appear excessively hostile or defensive. This type of denial is the most resistant to change.

DPS: Department of Public Safety is responsible for staffing the Board pursuant to Section 16.11.8-103, C.R.S.

Domestic Violence: The term is defined in Section 18-6-800.3(1), C.R.S. and is expanded to include the following definitions for the purpose of the approved provider's use in treatment:

- a) Physical violence: aggressive behavior including but not limited to hitting, pushing, choking, scratching, pinching, restraining, slapping, pulling, hitting with weapons or objects, shooting, stabbing, damaging property or pets, or threatening to do so.
- b) Sexual violence: forcing someone to perform any sexual act without consent.
- c) Psychological violence: intense and repetitive degradation, creating isolation, and controlling the actions or behaviors of another person through intimidation (such as stalking or harassing) or manipulation to the detriment of the individual.
- d) Economic Deprivation/Financial Abuse: use of financial means to control the actions or behaviors of another person. May include such acts as withholding funds, taking economic resources from intimate partner, and using funds to manipulate or control intimate partner.

Domestic Violence Clinical Supervisor: An approved provider who meets the qualifications identified in *Standard 9.18*

DORA: The Department of Regulatory Agencies, Division of Registrations is responsible for supervision and control of the mental health professional boards and unlicensed psychotherapists pursuant to Section 12-43-101, et. seq., C.R.S. DORA's address and phone number are as follows: 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350, Denver, Colorado 80202 303-894-7800

DSM: The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, published by the American Psychiatric Association.

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Evaluator: An Approved Provider who conducts a post-sentence intake evaluations. If the Approved Provider conducts the pre-sentence evaluation, he/she shall also be a licensed mental health professional.

Face-to-Face Client Contact Hours: The actual time that an applicant or approved provider spends with a client/offender providing assessments/evaluations, individual, group, couple's, or family therapy.

Indigent Offender: Individual who is declared indigent by the courts based on the federal poverty guidelines.

Offender: As defined in Section 16-11.8-102, C.R.S.

Offender Accountability: The offender claiming responsibility for his/her abusive behaviors, accepting the consequences of those behaviors, and actively working to repair the harm and preventing future abusive behavior.

Offender Containment: The process of restraining, halting or preventing the offender from further violence against an intimate partner through consequences and restrictions imposed by the Coordinated Community Response.

Offense: Any crime in which the underlying factual basis is an act of domestic violence.

Personal Change Plan: An offender's personal change plan includes a plan for preventing abusive behaviors, identifying triggers, identifying cycles of abusive thoughts and behaviors, as well as a plan for preventing or interrupting the triggers and cycles. This plan is to be designed and implemented during treatment and utilized after discharge as well.

Responsible Criminal Justice Agency: The criminal justice agency that has jurisdiction and/or responsibility for supervision of the offender.

SARA: The Spousal Assault Risk Assessment tool created by P. Randall Kropp and Stephen D. Hart includes a clinical checklist of 20 risk factors for spousal assault.

SCAO: State Court Administrator's Office performs duties pursuant to Section 13-3-101, C.R.S.

Sliding Fee Scale: As defined in Section 18-6-802.5 C.R.S., a sliding fee scale is a policy and procedure that is written and available to all clients and is based on criteria developed by the approved provider. The fee scale has two or more levels of fees and is based on the offenders' ability to pay. The fee scale is available to each offender. Approved providers must not withhold this information from clients.

Specific Offender Populations: Defined as a group of individuals that share one or more common characteristics such as race, religion, ethnicity, language, gender, age, culture,

sexual orientation and/or gender identity that would allow for the group to be considered homogenous.

Specific Offender Populations – Assessment Criteria: A section of the Appendices containing criteria based on research and literature for working with specific offender populations. This section may be periodically modified.

Supervising Agents: Those agents of the court including but not limited to private probation and state probation that supervise offenders for the court. In some cases the court itself is the only supervising agent.

Training: Specific education instruction that supports the philosophy and principles as described in the *Standards*.

Training, Demonstrated Equivalent Experience and Training: The ability to document the equivalent experience and training for a specific requirement.

Treatment: As defined in Section 16-11.8.102, C.R.S.

Treatment Plan Review: The purpose of the Treatment Plan Review is to re-assess offender degree of progress and risk, and to make any necessary modifications to the Treatment Plan and goals. All offenders shall have at least the minimum number of required Treatment Plan Reviews at identified intervals based on level of treatment and individual Treatment Plan(s).

Treatment Program: A program that provides treatment as defined in Section 16-11.8.102 (4), C.R.S. by one or more approved providers.

Treatment Report: At a minimum of once a month, approved providers shall submit a written report to the supervising criminal justice agency that includes results from most recent offender Treatment Plan Review; progress regarding competencies; recommendations related to discharge planning; level of treatment; evidence of new risk factors; and offender's degree of compliance with fees, attendance, and level of participation.

Treatment Victim Advocate: The person who works in conjunction with the Approved Provider and the domestic violence community to provide advocacy to the victim

Victim: An adult who is or has been the target of domestic violence as defined in the Glossary.

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