

LEARNING GOALS & AGENDA

Training Goals:

1. Learn strategies for increasing the number of non-court-involved abusive partners engaged in services
2. Learn common differences between court-involved and non-court-involved abusive partners that can inform interventions with non-court-involved abusive partners
3. Identify programmatic aspects that can encourage non-court-involved abusive partner engagement and retention

AGENDA

- Why do we need to be working more with non-court-involved abusive partners?
- How to increase the number of non-court-involved abusive partners engaging in services
- How to effectively engage, and work with non-court-involved abusive partners
- Distinct program structure and content in working with non-court-involved abusive partners

Up-coming 1-Day Advanced Trainings on Working with Abusive Partners

Thursday, January 22, 2026

Cultural Humility and Trauma Informed Care in Working with Abusive Partners

Every group member with whom we interact is both similar to us and different from us in myriad ways. How do we go about being mindful of these similarities and differences without falling into mistaken presumptions and biases? This training will provide deeper and more comprehensive explanations of both cultural humility and trauma informed care, highlighting the common ground they share that is rarely mentioned or identified. Included along the way will be an extended explanation of oppression and privilege.

Thursday, February 26, 2026

Special Considerations in Identifying and Working with Women in Abuse Intervention Programming

There is extensive evidence indicating that a substantial number of women who are arrested or mandated to abuse intervention do not have patterns of abuse and control. This training will provide detailed information on how to differentiate between women who do and do not truly need abuse intervention programming. The similarities and differences between male and female abusive partners and how to adequately address the distinct needs of female abusive partners will be discussed. This workshop draws on 15 years of experience the staff at Allies in Change has in working separately with women who do and do not have patterns of abuse and control.



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Working with Non-Court Involved Abusive Partners

November 20, 2025

8:30am to 4:00pm PST
11:30am to 7:00pm EST

◆ **6 CEU's Available** ◆

Featuring:
Chris Huffine, Psy.D

Training Via Zoom

EVENT LOCATION

Training Provided Via Zoom

DESCRIPTION

Most abuse intervention programs in the U.S. work almost solely with court-involved abusive partners (i.e., abusive partners who are mandated by criminal court, family court, and/or child protective services).

While this is an important population to work with, it leaves out a large number of abusive partners who will never become involved with the court system in the first place.

Given that most domestic violence is not illegal and many abusive partners rarely, if ever, commit domestic violence that could lead to their arrest or involvement with child protective services, how do we engage with these larger population of abusive partners?

This workshop will outline the distinct qualities of this population that may often get overlooked, offer guidelines on how to effectively engage such individuals and how programing has been modified to more effectively work with them.

Pricing

EARLY*

\$100

REGULAR

\$125

*Early registration must be received 14 days prior to the training.
Group discounts are available. Contact our office for details.

EASY REGISTRATION!

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For more information about this workshop, or to register, please contact our office at: (503)297-7979 or Training@AlliesinChange.org.

ABOUT THE PRESENTER & ALLIES IN CHANGE

Chris Huffine, Psy.D., licensed psychologist, has worked with abusive men for over 30 years and solely for voluntary abusive partners for over twenty years. He is the Executive Director of Allies in Change in Portland, Oregon, which he founded in 2004. During his career he has worked with thousands of abusive men and hundreds of abused partners. He is a founding member of the advisory group to the Oregon Attorney General to establish batterer intervention standards. He is a former member of the Oregon Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. He is considered to be a national expert on working with abusive partners and has provided trainings around the country. He is the author of "Becoming Allies ... With Your Partner, Yourself, and Others: Addressing the Abuse and Control in Your Relationships", a comprehensive book for abusive partners on identifying and changing their patterns of abuse and control.

Allies in Change is a 501(c)3 non-profit based in Portland, OR. It offers individual and couples counseling at four locations as well as via Zoom. It offers thirty weekly groups for abusive partners, including specialized groups for voluntary attendees, women, and one multigender group for LGBTQ+ abusive partners. Allies in Change currently has over 70 non-court-involved abusive partners of every gender receiving services (about 25% of the population it serves).