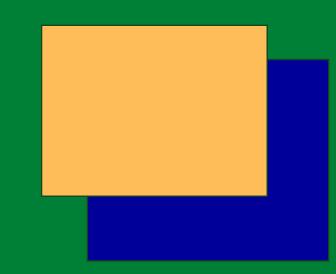
The Intersection of Disability & Abuse

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Welcome

• ASL Interpreters

• Language Interpreters







Quick Tips on How to Ensure Effective & Inclusive Communication

- . Verify that your microphone is <u>muted</u> when others are speaking during the meeting.
- . Always speak slowly and clearly
- . Always take turns when speaking
- . Utilize the 'Raise Hand' or chat room feature for your questions and comments.

Schedule

June 24, 2020

✓ How to Produce Accessible Materials

July 8, 2020

✓ Disability 101

July 29, 2020

✓ The Intersection of Disability & Civic Engagement

August 12, 2020

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August 26, 2020

How to Host an Accessible Event

The Enable Project



This training is brought to you by the Enable Project, a coalition that brings together non-profit and social justice organizations and their staff to create channels for integration of people with disabilities within their organizations and movements. This training is designed to guide organizations on how to integrate and include people with disabilities in ongoing civic engagement. Doing so can empower people with disabilities to take advantage of their rights and participate in social justice and political movements. As a society, we all benefit when everyone is able to participate and contribute.





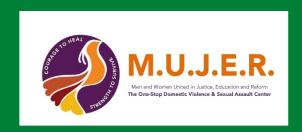




Speakers

Anna Obregon MUJER







Katherine Magnoli, MIA Liaison & self-advocate











Mission

The mission of the Miami Inclusion Alliance (MIA), is to learn about the intersection of disability and domestic violence and/or sexual assault in order to promote a culture of inclusion within and between all collaborating agencies.

This Collaboration will implement the necessary changes so that persons with disabilities who are affected by domestic violence and/or sexual assault have access to services.



The Vision

Our vision is that every agency that serves victim/survivors is accessible, safe, and promotes dignity and respect

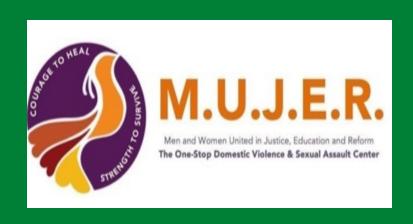
MISSION: At MUJER we provide a trusting environment that promotes emotional wellness and stability by empowering individuals through advocacy, direct response to domestic and sexual abuse, and support services that strengthen families.

- Established in 1994
- Nonprofit 501(c)(3)
- Dual Domestic and Sexual Violence Center
- 2009: Becomes A Certified Sexual Assault Center
- 2014: Exclusive 24/7 Sexual Assault/Violence Helpline



HelpLine: 305-763-2459

Men & Women, United in Justice, Education and Reform



-27112 So. Dixie Highway Naranja, FL 33032

-Main Office: 305/247-1388

-SA Helpline: 305/763-2459

-mujerfla.org

Impact of Sexual Violence- Video #1

Sexual Violence devastates victims, their families, loved ones, and communities.

"Unresolved trauma is the fuel for the cycle of violence in our country"

Brian Rogers

Statistics

 Anyone can experience sexual violence including female and male: children, teens, adults, and elders.

 In Florida, its estimated that 1 in 9 women are sexually assaulted at some point of their lives.

• 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys will be sexually abused before they turn 18 years old. 34% of people who sexually abuse a child are family members. (CDC)

Forms of Sexual Violence

- Child sexual abuse and incest
- Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault
- Intimate Partner Sexual Abuse: Marital Rape and Dating Violence
- Acquaintance Rape
- Statutory Rape
- Sexual Harassment

Forms of Sexual Violence (con't)

- Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking
- Stranger Rape
- Unwanted Sexual Gestures
- Coerced
- Exposure to un-wanted sexual content porn

Sexual Assault Certified Center

Since 2009, MUJER has been one of two certified centers serving Miami-Dade County, our geographic service area is from Florida City to Kendall Drive.

Advocates of a sexual assault certified center:

- Have victim/counselor privilege
- Are able to provide support during any medical exam
- Are allowed in the law enforcement and state attorney's interviews.

Florida Statute: Title VII 90.5035 Sexual assault counselor-victim privilege

Sexual Assault Certified Center (con't)

Required Certification Core Services

24/7 Advocacy and On scene Response

24/7 Crisis Intervention

24/7 Helpline

Support Groups

Coordinated Community Response

Accompaniment

Information and Referral

Therapy

Community Education Awareness

Resources/Services

- In-Person Crisis Intervention and Advocacy
- Accompaniment for Victims to Legal, Medical, and other Service Facilities
- Individual and Group Therapy (Children and Adults)
- Survivor-led Service Coordination
- Safety Planning
- Civil, Legal, Family, and Immigration Services

Resources/Services (con't)

- Emergency Assistance
- Victim's Compensation
- Presentations on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and HIV/AIDS
- Community Outreach and Awareness
- Engagement in Community Activities

Sexual Assault HelpLine

• 24/7

• (305) 763-2459

What is Domestic Violence (DV)?

- It is a pattern of controlling behaviors violence or threats of violence – that one person uses to establish power over an intimate partner in order to control that partners actions and activity.
- Domestic violence is abusive, disrespectful, and hurtful behaviors that one intimate partner chooses to use against the other partner.



Warning Signs of an Abuse Relationship

- Quick Attachment & Expression (I love you, marry me)
- Frightening temper (reckless driving, blow up)
- Rough physical treatment
- The Mean & Sweet Cycle
- Places blame on the other person
- Breakup Panic (threaten suicide)
- Unwanted sexual contact
- Emotional abuse (harassment, ridicule, killing self-confidence)
- Economic control/exploitation



Statistics – Disability and Abuse

 92% of women with disabilities ranked violence and abuse as their top priority of topics affecting their lives (Berkeley Planning Associates 1996)

 Women with disabilities are at least 2 times more likely to experience abuse (Disabled Women Network 1991)

• 97% to 99% of abusers are known and trusted by victim/survivors with an intellectual disability (Accessing Safety Initiative)



Increased Risk

- Research indicates that people with disabilities face increased risks for violence compared to people without disabilities.
- The vast majority, 97% of abusers, are known by the victim who has an intellectual disability
- Of those, 32% were family members or acquaintances and 44% had a relationship with the victim/survivor specifically related to the person's disability (Baladerian 1991)
- Survivors with disabilities often have experienced multiple victimizations and the abuse is longer in duration compared to survivors without disabilities.



Factors that Increase Rates of Abuse

- 1. Devaluation of persons with disabilities in society
- 2. Isolation and segregation
- 3. Increased exposure to potential abusers
- 4. Culture of compliance
- 5. Seen as "easy targets"



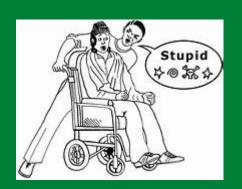
Tactics Used by Abusers



- Physical: use of restraints or hitting
- Sexual: taking advantage of lack of understanding about sex



- Isolation: controlling access to communication devices
- Emotional: ridiculing disability
- Economic: forcing victim/survivor to turn over benefits



Unique Challenges for Victims with Disabilities

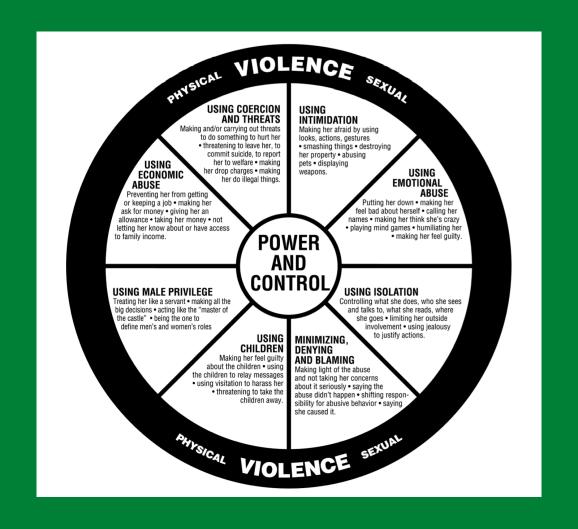
Understanding what happened

Restricted ability to communicate

High level of assistance needed from caregivers



Power and Control Wheel



Power and Control Wheel (Deaf)



Power and Control Wheel (Animal Abuse & DV)



Safety Planning for Persons with Disabilities (1)

Stay longer in abusive situations

Have fewer options

Negative encounters with support systems

Fear of losing their autonomy



Safety Planning for Persons with Disabilities (2)

Advocates must understand barriers to be effective

- Physical
- Communication
- Programmatic
- Attitudinal



Safety Planning for Persons with Disabilities (3)

Create a Strategy

Think through possible barriers

Identify accessible options for safe stay

Plan for calling 911



Meet Kat – MIA Liaison



Katherine Magnoli

MIA Liaison Project

What is the one thing that you would like to hear when you go to an office to get help?

Video #2

Resources from MIA Project

- DV 101 (https://youtu.be/7 FuHyn20KA)
- SA 101 (https://youtu.be/TaRcyuMdal8)
- The Legal System 101 (https://youtu.be/ -J91brPEb8)
- Disability 101 (https://youtu.be/hMWfAitG1Xk)
- The Intersection (https://youtu.be/rDx3uGbg7hE)
- Your Lived Experience #1: (https://youtu.be/tgMAy16FY0M)

Video #3

Questions



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Next Workshop How to Host an Accessible Event

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Links to presentation materials

How to Produce Accessible Materials

(https://www.justdigit.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/How-to-Produce-Accessible-Materials-FINAL-3acces.pdf)

Disability 101

(https://www.justdigit.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Disability-101-final-2acces..pdf)

The Intersection of Disability & Civic Engagement

(https://www.justdigit.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Intersection-of-disability-civic-engagment-final.pdf)





Thank You