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NEWSLETTER

Intimate Partner Homicide Prevention PROACTIVE, NOT REACTIVE



The Lethality Assessment Protocol (or LAP) is a life-saving tool used across Oklahoma to identify victims of intimate partner violence (IPV) who are at the highest risk of homicide. Required by Oklahoma state law, LAP shall be completed by law enforcement in qualifying IPV cases to ensure high-risk individuals are identified and connected with services. By swiftly connecting individuals with local service providers for immediate safety planning and advocacy, LAP seeks to interrupt the cycle of violence before it turns deadly. This proactive approach delivers vital support and information at the most crucial moment—when it can save lives.

OAG's LAP Team

The OAG's LAP team has launched a comprehensive, statewide LAP Training and Outreach initiative designed to strengthen Oklahoma's coordinated community response to intimate partner homicide. Through this effort, law enforcement agencies are being equipped to send lethality screening data directly to local victim service providers and district attorney offices, facilitating timely safety planning and intervention. In addition to streamlining data sharing, the training provides officers with the tools, knowledge, and statewide connections needed to identify high-risk situations and respond effectively. This initiative prioritizes a proactive—not reactive—approach, ensuring that victims receive critical support before violence escalates





Bring LAP Training to Your Community

Partner with Us to Strengthen Your Response to IPV

If your agency or community is interested in strengthening your response to intimate partner violence, we would be happy to provide a LAP training. Our team offers in-person and virtual sessions tailored to law enforcement, prosecutors, and service providers. To request a training or learn more, please fill out the form below—we're here to support your team in implementing a proactive, coordinated approach to victim safety.

Training Request Form

Statistics

Oklahoma has consistently ranked in the Top 10 in women being murdered by men in single victim/single offender incidents since 1996. The most recent state rankings ranked Oklahoma as 2nd in the nation when analyzing 2020 homicide data.

Protect & Serve

The LAP team is responsible for statewide training and outreach to raise LAP awareness, its application in the field, and its impact on victims. Educational materials, including infographics, flyers, and videos, will be used to train law enforcement. The LAP Team will partner with the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs' of Police (OACP), Sheriffs' Association (OSA), and the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET), among others, to ensure proper LAP implementation.

Intervene & Connect

The Victim Advocacy & Service Unit (or VASU) will recruit 100 agencies to onboard to a new LAP 2.0 database platform. This database allows law enforcement to digitally input LAP data during the initial call, utilizing a mobile application or on a web-based platform. The system can also be integrated with existing records management systems. This information can then be sent to a local victim service provider to connect the victim with an advocate. LAP 2.0 helps streamline the connection from law enforcement to the victim service provider.

Tangible Takeaways



TIME MANAGEMENT

Officers can enter LAP data directly at the scene using a mobile app, reducing paperwork and saving time during critical moments.



STREAMLINEDCONNECTIONS

LAP 2.0 streamlines the referral process, allowing advocates to receive and respond to cases in real time, improving victim support and intervention.



IMPROVED DATA ACCURACY

Digital input reduces errors that can occur with handwritten notes or delayed reporting, ensuring more reliable data collection.

Offered Trainings

Lethality Assessment Protocol Training (2 Hour Training)

Coming Soon! LAP 2.0 Training (2 Hour Training)

Coming Soon! Evidenced Based Domestic Violence & Lethality Assessment (4 Hour Training)

Coming Soon! Protective Orders & Lethality Assessment (4 Hour Training)

Resources

LAP Form

LAP 2.0 Informational Video
OAG LAP Team Webpage

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The Lethality Assessment Protocol represents one of our most critical tools in protecting vulnerable Oklahomans. This partnership between law enforcement and victim advocates isn't just procedure - it is a lifeline that saves lives."

