# Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General (OAG) BIP Facilitator Training FAQ.

#### Am I a certified facilitator after I attend the training?

This training is not a certification. This training is required by Oklahoma Administrative Code 75:25-5-21. The training satisfies a portion of the documentation you will need to facilitate Batterers Intervention Program (BIP) groups at Oklahoma office of the Attorney General (OAG) certified agencies.

#### What is OAC 75:25-5-21?

75:25-5-21. Personnel training, batterers intervention services, section (b) requires All BIP staff, BIP volunteers, BIP contractors, and BIP program supervisors to complete Batterers Intervention Facilitator Training sponsored by the Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General within six months of employment or volunteer service.

#### Are there any qualifications required to be a facilitator?

Yes. Personnel facilitating batterers intervention groups shall minimally have a graduate degree in a behavioral health or criminal justice filed and one-year related work experience, have a Bachelor's degree in a behavioral health or criminal justice filed and two years related work experience, or have been employed as a facilitator in a certified batterers intervention program prior to July 1, 2008.

#### What other documentation is needed to facilitate BIP groups?

Per section (c) of 75:25-5-21. Before providing any direct services, personnel facilitating batterers' intervention services shall observe a minimum of 12 batterers' intervention group sessions from an OAG certified program.

### How do I track my observations?

Observation forms are available by request. Please email miguel.mojica@oag.ok.gov

## What happens after I attend the facilitator training?

After you attend the *facilitator training* you will receive a certificate of attendance. If you have not already, you can begin your observation hours. Provide your OAG BIP certified agency with a copy of your completed observations hours form and your facilitator training attendance certificate.

## How do I obtain the 20 hours of topics listed in section (c) of Chapter 75:25-5-21?

The OAG Facilitator Training covers the training topics listed in that section. Your agency may also provide you with additional training on those topics.

## What is an OAG certified program?

Batterers Intervention Program Certification indicates approval to provide batterers intervention programs pursuant to 74 O.S. § 18p-6. In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, 75 O.S. § 250.3(8), certification is defined as a "license."

My agency is not certified. What steps should we take to obtain OAG certification? Contact Miguel Mojica at miguel.mojica@oag.ok.gov to request information for the certification process.