

WHAT IS BISCMI?

HERSTORY

BISC was formed in July of 1994 when the staff of First Step's Violence Intervention Project (Canton, MI) met with the staff of Catholic Social Service of Washtenaw County's Alternatives to Domestic Aggression Program (Ypsilanti, MI) to discuss issues of mutual interest and concern. BISC's membership grew rapidly, primarily with people who work with batterer intervention services and battered women's services organizations. In May 1996 BISC held the first Michigan Statewide Conference on batterer intervention and state standards. As a result, BISCMI was initiated in November 1996, pulling together all six regions of Michigan.

MISSION STATEMENT

- & We will provide a working forum for interaction and information sharing among agencies and individuals concerned with the provision of batterer intervention services in Michigan.
- & We will create and maintain coordinated community actions that hold batterers accountable for their behavior and promote safety and empowerment for victims.
- & We will keep the needs of victims foremost in our efforts rather than the interests of batterers or any batterer intervention service or model.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in BISCMI is open to anyone, or any organization, who wishes to help us work toward our mutually chosen goals. Specific information about how to join BISCMI will be available at this conference.

GOALS

- & Networking
- & Social Action
- & Standards for Batterer Intervention Services
- & Accountability
- & Coordinated Community Response

PURPOSE OF THIS CONFERENCE

Batterer Intervention Services Coalition of Michigan (BISCMI) presents a weekend conference to:

- & Discuss the process of developing state standards for batterer intervention services.
- & Establish a statewide network for those interested in batterer intervention.
- & Continue the organization of regional working groups.
- & Informally discuss intervention strategies.

AGENDA

Thursday, April 10, 1997

- Arrival and Registration 3:00 P.M..
- Roundtable discussion #1*
- Dinner
- Roundtable discussion #2*

Friday, April 11, 1997

- Breakfast
- Judith Barr: M.C.A.D.S.V., BIS Standards
- Roundtable discussion #3*
- Lunch
- Regional meetings
- BISCMI Business meeting
- Dinner
- Roundtable discussion #4*

Saturday, April 12, 1997

- Breakfast
- Rich Tolman: U of M School of Social Work, Standards and Mandates for Michigan
- BISCMI Futuring for 1997 and Wrap-up
- Lunch 12:00 P.M..

**A final agenda for the conference will be mailed with confirmation of registration.*

ACCOMMODATIONS

- & **Treetops Sylvan Resort** located in Gaylord, Michigan.

YOUR REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- & Lodging for Thursday, and Friday nights, in double occupancy rooms.
- & Dinner on Thursday, all meals on Friday, and breakfast and lunch on Saturday.
- & Resource materials.

Casual attire recommended.

Space is limited, please register ASAP.

Cost
\$145.00 per person <i>before</i> March 24, 1997
\$160.00 per person <i>after</i> March 24, 1997
NO REFUNDS

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please contact Rick Fall, Conference Chair, at the Bay County Women's Center, (517) 686-4551.

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REGISTRATION

Please include a separate registration form for each person registering.

Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (Home) (____)____-_____

(Work) (____)____-_____

(Fax) (____)____-_____

Who would you like to room with? _____

I am:

- Female Male
- Non-vegetarian Vegetarian (meatless)
- Smoker Non-Smoker
- I need wheelchair accessible facilities.
- I give permission for you to print my name on a published list of attendees.

Directions will be mailed with confirmation of registration.

- Regular registration fee (\$160)
- Early registration fee (\$145) (if postmarked before 3/24/97)
- Single room (add \$51.00 to the registration fee)

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "BISC" and remit with registration to:

BISCMI
4925 Packard Rd.
Ann Arbor, MI 48108-1521

- No, I do not want to attend the Conference, but please place me on the BISCMI mailing list using the information above.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- & Medical Professionals
- & Mental Health Professionals
- & Domestic Violence Shelter Staff
- & Law Enforcement Officers
- & Prosecutors
- & Probation/Parole Officers
- & Judges/Magistrates
- & Employers
- & Drug & Alcohol Treatment Professionals
- & Teachers
- & Clergy
- & Politicians

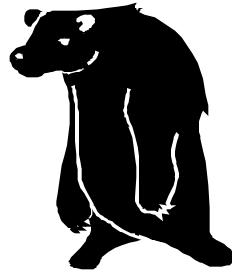
STATE STANDARDS

One task BISCMI has taken on is reviewing the standards for batterer intervention services which have been/are being written by other states or municipalities.

To date those states/municipalities include:

Alaska
California
Colorado
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Illinois
Indianapolis, Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
San Diego, California
Massachusetts
Michigan – Ann Arbor
Michigan – Region III
Michigan – Wayne County
New Hampshire
New York
Ohio
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
Texas
Utah
Washington
Wisconsin

Information on how to acquire copies of these standards, as well as other up to date information, will be made available at the Conference.



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PRESENTS:*

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