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BISC-MI 20th Anniversary Conference
April 15th, 16th, and 17th 2015



Aquila Gathering

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US
7:45 PM IN THE GRAND RIVER
BALLROOM








Plenary #12

We are fortunate to have an outstanding faculty presenting at this year's conference but we also have outstanding participants who bring with them a lot of knowledge and wisdom. This year for our final plenary we are doing something creative and a little different. We are utilizing our faculty but we also want to hear your voices. Our plan is to capture your insights and bring them into the presentation. When you arrived you received a sheet with 3 questions that form the foundation of this plenary.





There are 3 ways for you to participate:

- 1) Sign up to record your answers,
- 2) Complete the sheet and sign your name, or
- 3) complete the sheet anonymously.



Written answers can be dropped off in the box at the registration table. Sign up for recording opportunities are also on a clipboard at the registration table. All input must be received by 6:00 pm Thursday.

We will be taking the recorded interviews and the written responses and incorporating them onto our final plenary session. Help us make this something special take few minutes to participate. If you have any questions about this see Carmelita Samuel and Jeffrie Cape who are coordinating.

Plenary #7

Using a Perpetrator Pattern-Based Approach to Reduce Mother-Blaming, Increase Accountability for Perpetrators as Parents and Improve Collaboration with Child Protection




Conference Faculty



DAVID MANDEL

David Mandel, MA, LPC has been working in the domestic violence field for 25 years. David's international training and consulting focuses on improving systems' responses to domestic violence when children are involved, and responsible fatherhood. David has developed the Safe and Together™ model to improve case practice and cross system collaboration in domestic violence cases involving children, and continuum of practice framework for promoting the development of domestic violence informed child welfare systems. David and his staff have consulted to United States' child welfare systems in a number of states including New York, Louisiana, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Vermont, Oregon and Ohio. This has included overseeing a statewide network of domestic violence consultants for the Connecticut Department of Children and Families; training domestic violence subject matter experts for Florida's Department of Children and Families; improving collaboration between child welfare and domestic violence advocates in Colorado; and the development of certified Safe and Together trainer network to support the roll out of differential response in all 88 Ohio county child welfare agencies.



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for his future by treating
his **mother** with
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*the **Safe and Together**[™] model:*
Using a Perpetrator Pattern-Based Approach to Reduce Mother-Blaming, Increase Accountability for Perpetrators as Parents and Improve Collaboration with Child Protection

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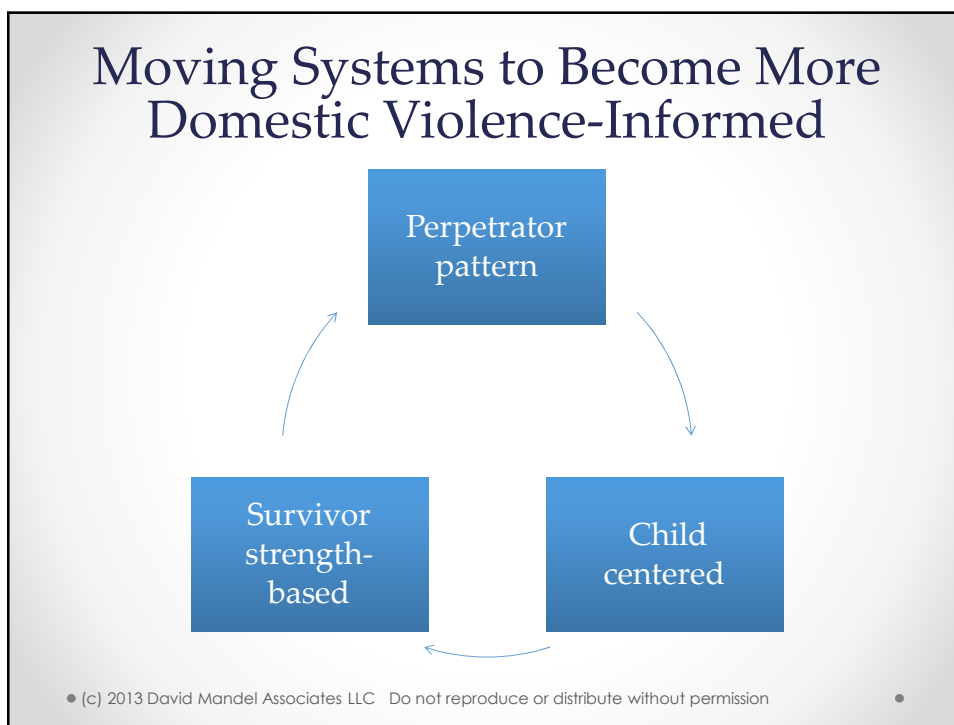
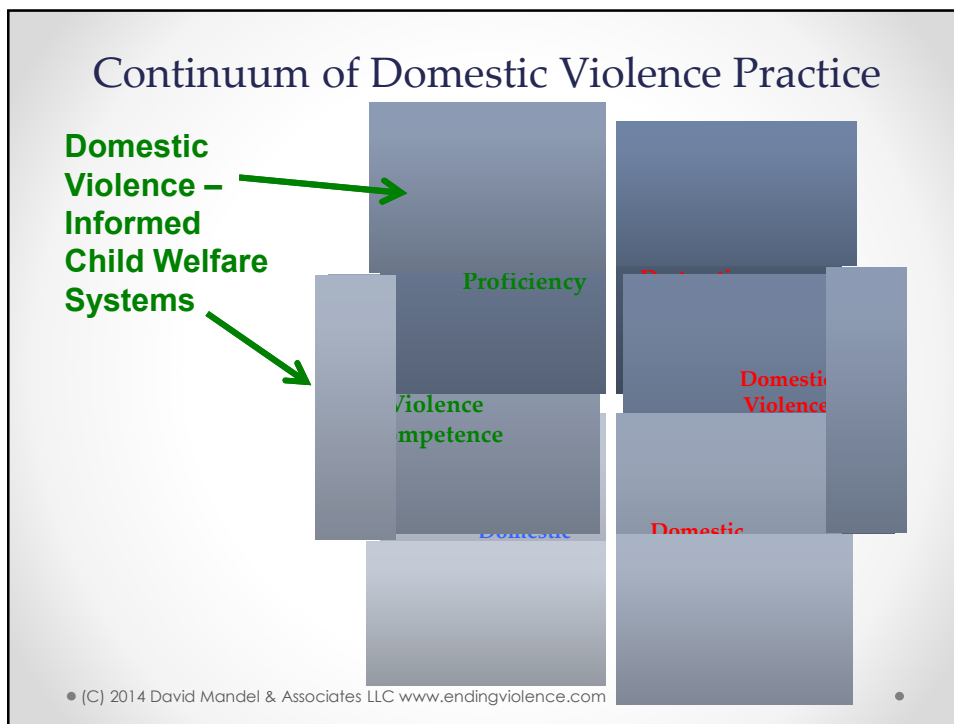
Safe & Together

The 'cardinal' question

Given the totality of the system's relationship with adult and child domestic violence survivors, is it likely that they see us as being on their side?

*adapted from Hodas, 2006

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Safe and Together™ Principles

- 1

Keeping child Safe and Together™ with non-offending parent

Safety Healing from trauma Stability and nurturance

- 2

Partnering with non-offending parent as default position

Efficient Effective Child-centered

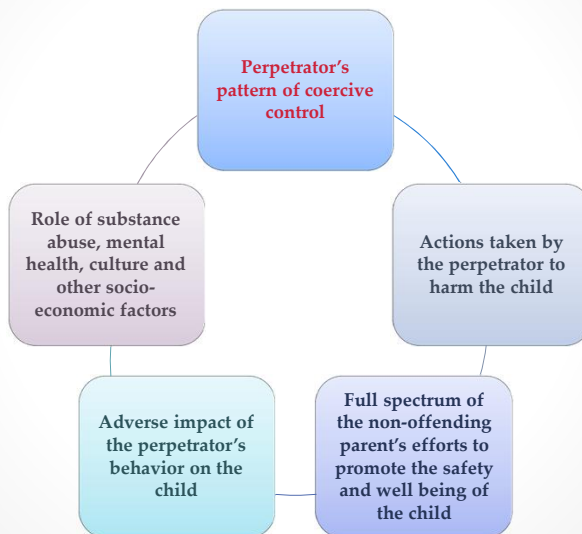
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Intervening with perpetrator to reduce risk and harm to child

Engagement Accountability Courts

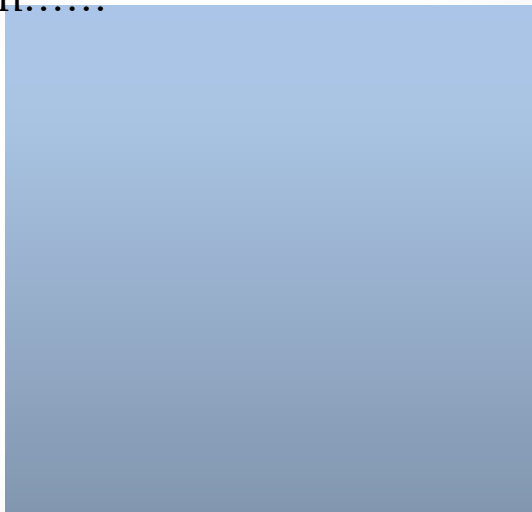
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Safe and Together™ Critical Components



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When Domestic Violence is the Concern.....



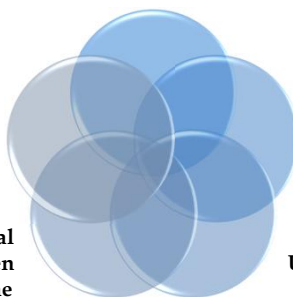
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Actions Taken by the Batterer to Harm the Children

Choosing to expose them to their abusive behavior

Physical/sexual/emotional abuse or neglect perpetrated directly against the children

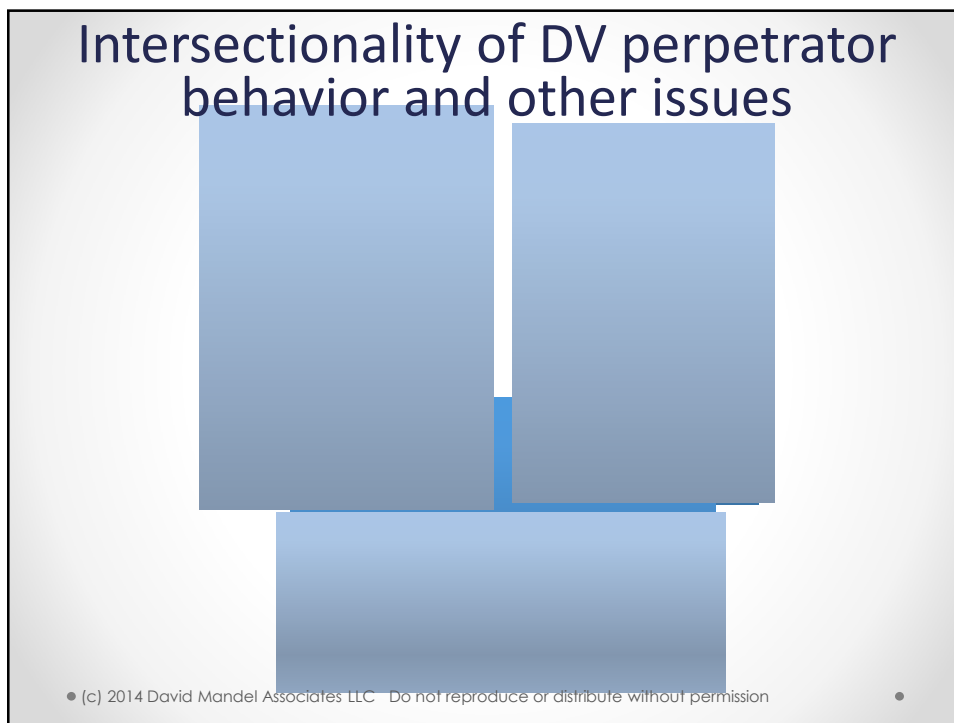
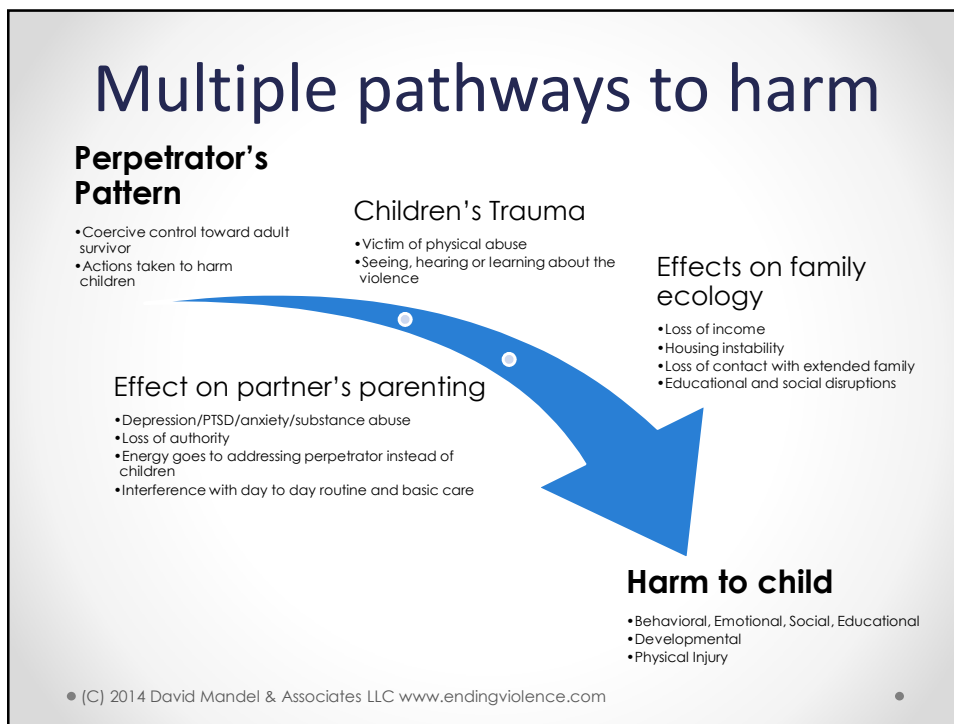
Accidentally causing physical harm to children as a result of the violence towards non-offending parent



Using children as a weapon against the children's other parent

Undermining the other person's parenting efforts

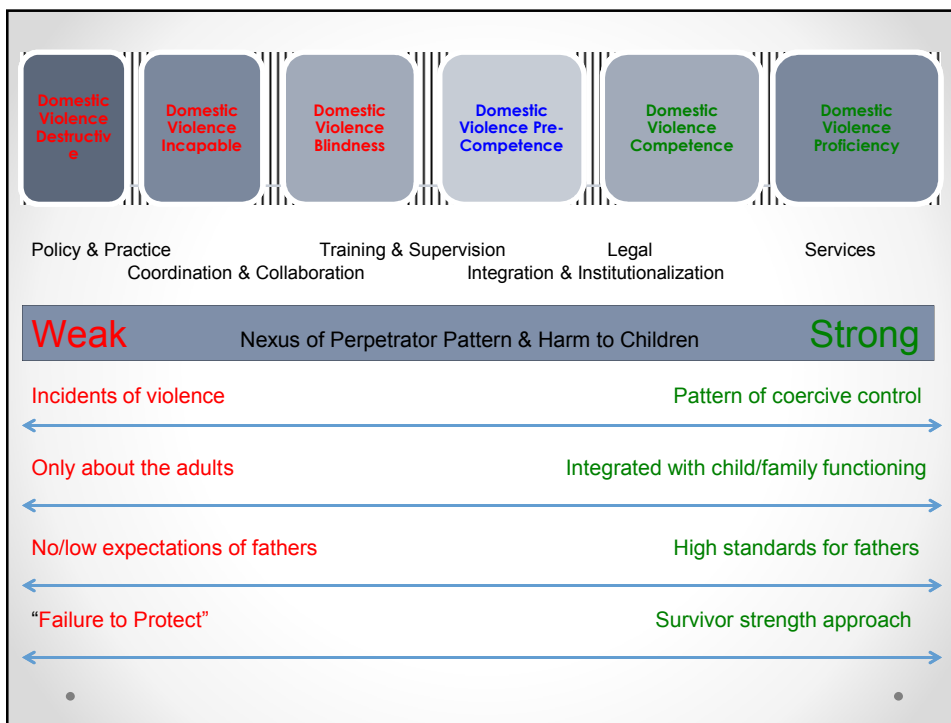
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Perpetrator Pattern-Based Approach to Domestic Violence and Children

- Looks at the perpetrator's behavior, not the relationship or the survivor's behavior, as the source of the domestic violence child risk and safety concerns
- Beyond current relationship: 360 degrees assessment of perpetrator pattern
- Strong nexus between domestic violence perpetrator's behaviors child safety and well being
- Highlights the choice(s) to be violent, abusive and controlling as parenting choices

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Where we've been

What we look at with mothers

- Parenting skills
- Substance Abuse
- Mental Health
- Relationship choices
- Meeting children's basic needs (food, medical, safe shelter, education)
- Kin network
- Employment choices
- Childcare choices

What we look at with fathers

- Employment
 - Criminal history
 - Substance abuse

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Where we want to go

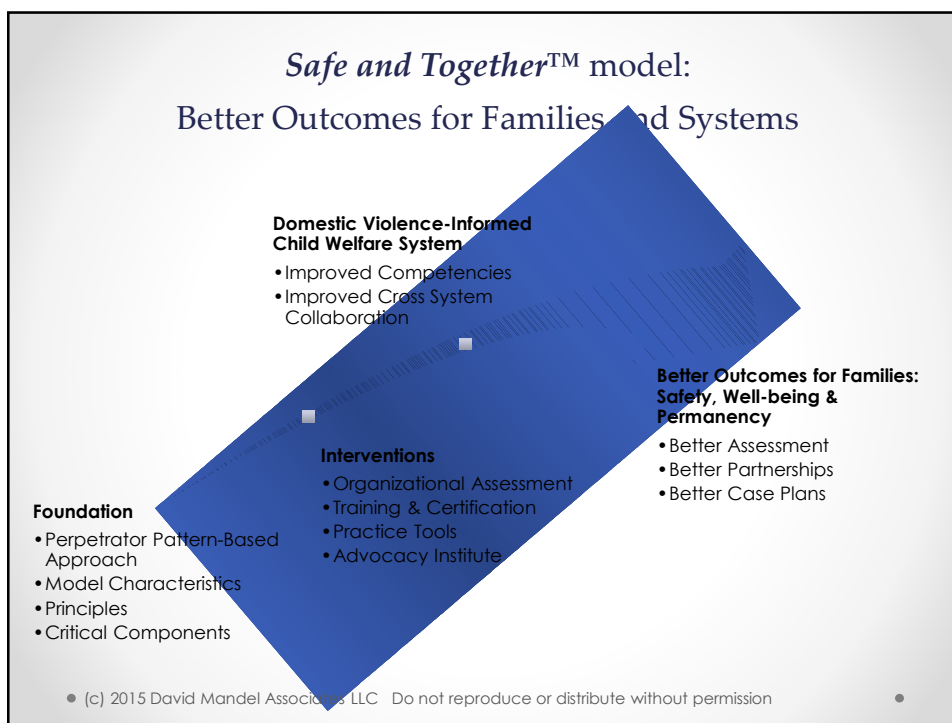
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- Substance Abuse
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- Relationship choices
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- Kin network
- Employment choices
- Childcare choices
- Supporting/respecting child's mother

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Major Projects/Clients Highlights

- Statewide certified trainers (Ohio & Michigan)
- Training and integration with Safety Methodology (Florida)
- Advocacy Institutes (National, Florida, New York)
- Domestic Violence Consultant Network (CT)
- Case Consultation (Florida & Queensland Australia)
- 300 minutes of video modeling (Florida)
- Organizational Assessment (District of Columbia)
- Core Safe and Together Certification (District of Columbia)
- Safe and Together Integration with Differential Response and Structured Decision-Making (Nationally)
- Other states: Oregon, New Jersey, Iowa, Vermont, Nebraska
- International work: Australia, Canada, Scotland, Ireland, Singapore

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Safe and Together Ohio Data

- Ohio 3rd Party Evaluation: Study coordinated by Ohio IPV Collaboration with support from
 - HealthPath Foundation
 - NCALP
 - ODJFS
- Data collected from 12 of the counties trained during 2013, as well as 12 Ohio counties that had participated in Safe and Together training during previous years, and 7 local CPS from AR counties that had not yet participated in the training.
- 5 data collection activities:
 - an online pre/posttest survey of 837 CPS caseworkers and supervisors
 - semi-structured interviews with 16 supervisors;
 - semi-structured interviews with 8 community stakeholders;
 - desk reviews of 191 CPS case files; and
 - review of written policies from 15 counties that had completed Safe and Together training. Exhaustive descriptions of each of these methods are appended to this report."

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Strong evidence that:

- CPS staff assign less blame to victims for staying in a violent relationship;
- CPS staff increase their concern about, and documentation of the effects of children witnessing domestic violence.

Mixed Evidence:

- CPS staff increase their understanding of coercive control;
- CPS staff enhance safety planning for victims and children;
- CPS staff increase perpetrators' accountability.

Little evidence that:

- CPS agencies change written policies; and
- Community stakeholders become more receptive to Safe and Together policies and principles.

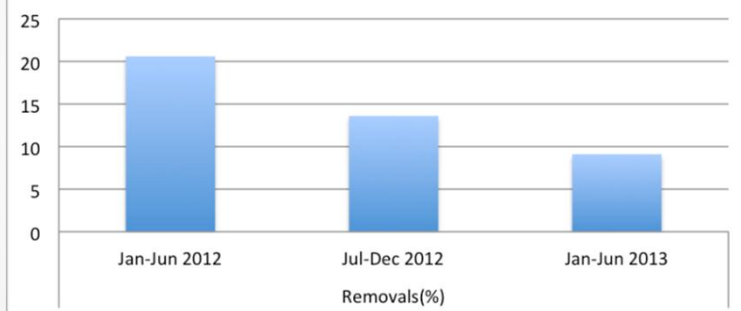
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Safe and Together Florida Data

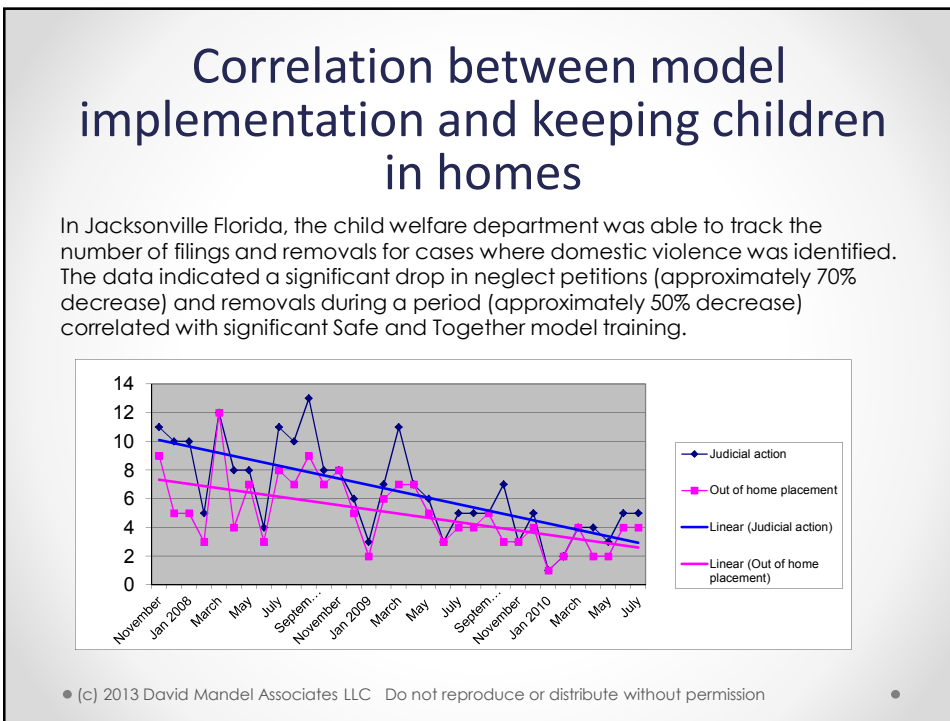
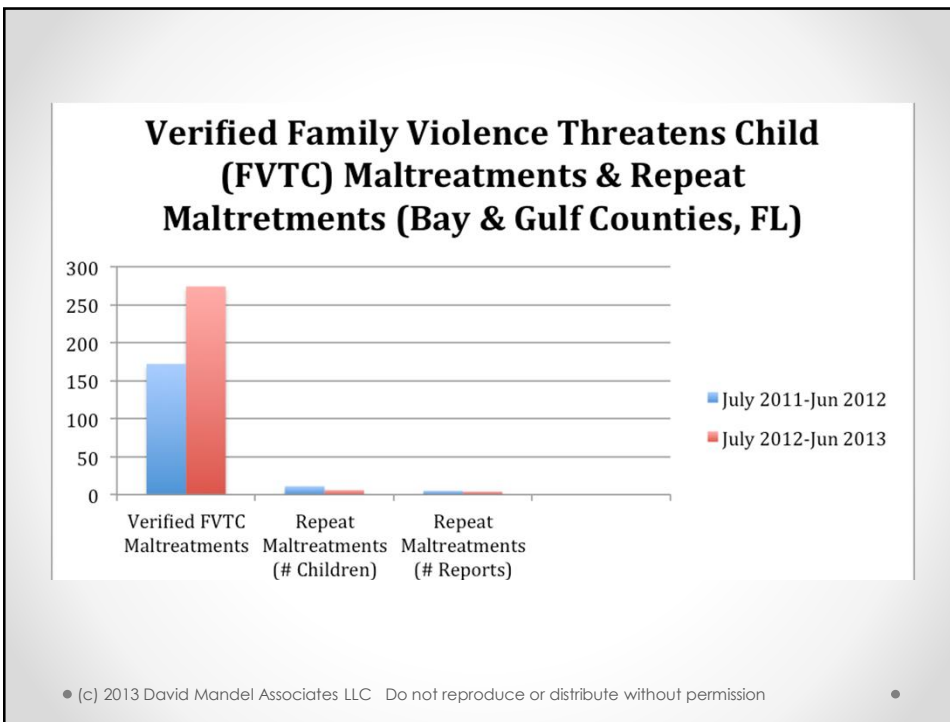
- Work with both child welfare and domestic violence advocates
 - Multi-site work with DCF in Florida since 2008
 - Relationship with Florida Coalition since 2006
 - Different projects
 - Subject Matter Experts
 - Co-located Advocates
 - Children's Legal Services
 - Cultural & Linguistically specific work
- Panhandle
 - Training and technical assistance for both child welfare and co-located domestic violence advocates

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Domestic Violence Removals as Percent of Overall Removals (Bay & Gulf Counties, FL)



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Safe and Together Model Resources & Educational Events

- Open Events
 - 3rd National Safe and Together Children and Domestic Violence Symposium Orlando, Florida October 14-16, 2015
 - Thursday Webinar Series
- Resources
 - Website: www.endingviolence.com
 - Safe and Together videos:
 - <https://www.youtube.com/user/SafeandTogetherModel>
 - <http://endingviolence.com/our-products/training/safe-and-together-model-videos/>
 - Safe and Together model blog: safe-and-together.endingviolence.com/blog/
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Workshops #2a-2d

Workshop #2a, Motivating Change in Abusers: Humanizing Oppression Theory.
Faculty: Chris Hall

Workshop #2b, Ethical Considerations in Batterer Intervention Services.
Faculty: Bob Agnoli

Workshop #2c, In a Class by Themselves: Intervening with Psychopathic DV Perpetrators.
Faculty: Chris Huffine

Workshop #2d, Batterer Intervention Programs as Research Partners.
Faculty: Etiony Aldarondo & Neil Blacklock