

# Improving Batterer Accountability within your Coordinated Community Response

911 Response & Dispatch	Law Enforcement	Medical Response	Community Based Victim Advocacy	Jail, Pretrial Release & Supervision	Defense Attorney	Court Admin	Prosecution	Judiciary	Probation, Parole & Re-Entry	Batterer Intervention Program
<p>911 recordings easily available for prosecutor</p> <p>DV calls coded accurately</p> <p>Prosecutors &amp; advocates partner for 911 training</p> <p>View DV as pattern crime</p> <p>Databases of protection orders, criminal no-contact orders &amp; dangerousness info from other jurisdictions accessible to dispatcher</p> <p>DV programs routinely review dispatch records</p>	<p>Written DV policy requires incident reports regardless of outcome</p> <p>Written justification when no arrest</p> <p>Arrest for violation of protection order</p> <p>Petitioner doesn't violate protection order by contacting respondent</p> <p>Identify stalking behavior &amp; use new laws</p> <p>Ask about prior unreported assaults</p> <p>Prioritize arresting abusers who flee the scene</p> <p>Promptly share all DV reports with DV programs</p> <p>DV program reads all reports, give feedback</p> <p>Predominant aggressor policy closely monitored by supervisors</p> <p>Investigators prioritize most dangerous DV cases in liaison with victim advocates</p> <p>Use report writing guidelines developed through CCR</p> <p>Assess risk, history of abuse &amp; document</p>	<p>Prepare detailed release plan that accounts for safety from the offender</p> <p>Forensic nurse examiners available as expert witness in DV &amp; SA cases</p> <p>Build referral process with BIPs for offenders identified through screening</p>	<p>Identify offenders in police reports who may be mostly victims, provide advocacy</p> <p>Visit women arrested to assess needs &amp; monitor case</p> <p>Establish referral process with public defenders that represent battered women charged with assaults</p> <p>Participate in monitoring of BIPs</p> <p>Lead &amp; participate in interagency case managing of most dangerous offenders</p> <p>Liaise closely with sexual assault advocates &amp; child protection to manage shared issues &amp; cases</p> <p>Advise victims of victim tampering guidelines &amp; explain how to safeguard evidence</p>	<p>Hold alleged offenders in custody until next hearing, transport to court</p> <p>Document threats made by alleged offender</p> <p>Notify arresting agency &amp; victim when releasing offender</p> <p>Participate in interagency case managing of most dangerous offenders</p> <p>Block victim's phone from jail at victim's request</p> <p>Make recordings of jail calls available to prosecutor</p> <p>DV programming in jail &amp; prisons is coordinated with re-entry &amp; community programs</p> <p>DV program monitors hold &amp; release practices</p> <p>Pre-trial release conditions address risk factors &amp; victim needs</p>	<p>Identify offenders who may be mostly victims, discuss pleas in depth, and refer to advocacy programs</p> <p>Learn about and observe BIPs, able and willing to describe program accurately to defendant</p>	<p>Work with CCR partners to prioritize speedy scheduling of DV cases</p> <p>Create safe space &amp; practices to prevent offenders harassing victims at court</p> <p>Share court docket with advocates &amp; other CCR partners</p> <p>Create specialized DV court with CCR partners</p>	<p>Work with CCR partners to prioritize speedy scheduling of dv cases</p> <p>Ensure victim input on no-contact orders</p> <p>Create policies to assess &amp; respond to offenders who are victims of battering</p> <p>Do not drop prosecution because victim doesn't want to testify</p> <p>Discuss with advocates which offenders are most dangerous &amp; negotiate responses</p> <p>Use 911 &amp; jail recordings to hold offenders more accountable</p> <p>Advise victims of victim tampering guidelines &amp; explain how to safeguard evidence</p> <p>Use creative charging to maximize consequences when appropriate</p> <p>Liaise closely with pre-trial release agencies to ensure risk factors addressed</p>	<p>Work with CCR partners to prioritize speedy scheduling of DV cases</p> <p>Issue no contact orders unless victim specifically requests no order</p> <p>Require pre-sentence reports on all DV offenders</p> <p>Place controls on suspect that are enforceable</p> <p>Use electronic monitoring of offenders where suited</p> <p>Balance punishment with rehabilitation</p> <p>Increase consequences for continued reoffending</p> <p>DV programs track sentencing &amp; consequences for reoffending</p> <p>Require risk assessment at arraignment</p> <p>Include children in criminal no contact orders when victims express concerns</p> <p>Improve linkages between Criminal, Family, &amp; Juvenile Courts</p>	<p>Probation work with CCR partners to prioritize speedy scheduling of DV cases</p> <p>Refer offenders only to BIPs that prioritize victim safety &amp; meet state guidelines</p> <p>Assess social risk to victim, document patterns &amp; severity of abuse</p> <p>Use a consistent response to address context in sentencing recommendations</p> <p>Build other community resources that address battering into offender management, e.g. visitation centers, drug &amp; alcohol programs, culturally specific agencies</p> <p>Revoke probation for failure to complete sentence, continued threats, harassment, &amp; use of violence</p> <p>Use short, sharp jail sentences to enforce sentence</p> <p>Closely monitor more dangerous offenders</p> <p>Intensive monitoring &amp; programming during early supervision period</p>	<p>Work with CCR partners to prioritize speedy entry of offenders into programs</p> <p>Provide orientation for victims whose partners are sent to BIP</p> <p>Ensure effective partner contact in liaison with victim advocates</p> <p>Provide regular attendance reports to referral agencies</p> <p>Work with advocates &amp; CCR partners to closely monitor the most dangerous offenders</p> <p>Orientation forms focus on violence, curriculum focuses on stopping violence, safety &amp; autonomy of victim &amp; family</p> <p>Comply with state standards</p> <p>Provide culturally specific programs</p> <p>Encourage regular observation of groups by CCR partners</p> <p>Initiate &amp; take part in public awareness campaigns</p> <p>Build &amp; monitor referral agreements with mental health providers &amp; child protection</p> <p>Identify batterers' manipulation of custody issues &amp; inform victims and/or advocates of risks</p>

Circle the items in each column that you DO NOT THINK ARE PRESENT OR WORKING WELL in your Criminal Justice CCR. Put an ✨ beside the items that ARE working well.  
 Write in underneath the columns any other specific batterer accountability strategy you have in place. Feedback, questions? [gbarnes@bwjp.org](mailto:gbarnes@bwjp.org) or 612 824 8768 x107  
 (Batterer accountability is always trumped by victim safety & autonomy! Ideally, all new strategies are assessed for their effects on victims & marginalized people before changes are made)