

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (EXCERPT)
Act 389 of 1978

400.1504 Powers and duties of board; staff.

Sec. 4. The department shall provide staff to enable the board to carry out the following powers and duties:

(a) Coordinate and monitor programs and services funded under this act for the prevention of domestic violence and the treatment of victims of domestic violence.

(b) Develop standards for the implementation and administration of services and procedures to prevent domestic violence and to provide services and programs for victims of domestic violence.

(c) Provide planning and technical assistance to prime sponsors for the development, implementation, and administration of programs and services for the prevention of domestic violence and the treatment of victims of domestic violence.

(d) Conduct research to develop and implement effective means for preventing domestic violence and treating victims of domestic violence.

(e) Provide assistance to the department of state police in developing a system for monitoring and maintaining a uniform reporting system to provide accurate statistical data on domestic violence.

(f) Coordinate educational and public informational programs for the purpose of developing appropriate public awareness regarding the problems of domestic violence; encourage professional persons and groups to recognize and deal with problems of domestic violence; to make information about the problems of domestic violence available to the public and organizations and agencies which deal with problems of domestic violence; and encourage the development of community programs to prevent domestic violence and provide services to victims of domestic violence.

(g) Study and recommend changes in civil and criminal procedures which will enable victims of domestic violence to receive equitable and fair treatment under the law.

(h) Advise the legislature and governor on the nature, magnitude, and priorities of the problem of domestic violence and the needs of victims of domestic violence; and recommend changes in state programs, statutes, policies, budgets, and standards which will reduce the problem and improve the condition of victims.

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Popular name: Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Act