Attachment 1

# COLORADO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

# MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2024

#### Attendance:

### Domestic Violence Board Members Present:

Andrea Bradbury, Honorable Bradley Burback, Erin Gazelka, Jeanette Barich, Jessica Fann, Karen Morgenthaler, Lori Griffith, Michelle Hunter, Nicole Collins, Nil Buckley, Raechel Alderete, Sandra Campanella, Stephanie Fritts, Tally Zuckerman, Tracey Martinez, Yolanda Arredondo

#### Domestic Violence Board Members Absent:

Glory McDaniel, Jackie List, and Jennifer Parker

#### Staff Present:

Brittinie Sandoval, Caroline Frane, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky, Jesse Hansen, Jill Trowbridge, Kelly Lippitt, Rachael Collie, Reggin Palmitesso-Martinez, Taylor Redding, and Yuanting Zhang,

#### Guests:

Courtney Davis, Jaime Stelzer, Kay Knaub, Marisela Elliott, Matt Cooper, and Sandra Merrow

#### Introductions:

The meeting convened at 9:05AM.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced herself and welcomed the Board and guests.

Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) introduced himself and noted that Taylor Redding would control the WebEx portion of the meeting. Jesse Hansen asked all attendees to sign-in if they haven't already done so and noted that this meeting was being recorded.

The in-person DVOMB members introduced themselves.

The DVOMB staff introduced themselves.

Taylor Redding introduced the online DVOMB members introduced themselves.

Taylor Redding introduced the on-line guests.

Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) introduced Kelly Lippitt as the new Office of Domestic Violence and Sex Offender Management (ODVSOM) Program Documentation Generalist. Kelly Lippitt gave a brief review of her past experience and background.

Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) indicated to Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) that a quorum was present.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that Judge Bradley Burback had to step away at about 9:10 am for a little bit and noted he will return to the meeting if possible.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked if there was consensus to approve the February agenda. There was consensus from the DVOMB members to approve the February agenda.

# **REVIEW AND VOTE ON JANUARY 2024 MEETING MINUTES:** (Attachment #1)

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the January 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Andrea Bradbury (DVOMB Member) 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

There was no additional discussion on the motion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) to prepare the vote.



# The Session ID: **#790035**

### Question #1

The motion passed with 12 votes to approve the January 2024 meeting minutes, 0 votes to object, and 1 vote to abstain.

	Responses		
	Percent	Count	
Yes	92.31%	12	
No	00.0%	0	
Abstain	7.69%	1	
Totals	100%	13	

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### Staff Announcements:

Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) announced the following:

- He recognized that February is Black History Month.
  - He indicated that Dr. Carolyn West has partnered with the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and noted that he would drop the link to the Technical Guidance Series on Serving Black Women Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence in the chat function of the meeting.
  - He announced that February is also Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. Jesse Hansen indicated that he was able to offer to the 18<sup>th</sup> District Attorney's Office the Best Practice Guidelines When Working with Youth Engaged in Relationship Abuse and provided them a list of approved providers who have youth-identified as a specialty.
  - He indicated that the ARC was asked to address Appendix I due to questions from the Judicial Department. He mentioned that the workgroup will be addressing those questions on another day in order to not overburden the members of the regular ARC meeting.
  - He noted the Annual Legislative Report is available on the DVOMB Website and indicated that there will be a review of the report during the meeting. He mentioned that the Annual Legislative Report was presented to the Legislature on 1/31/2024, and noted that it was well received.
  - He gave an update on the work that Orange Circle Consulting is doing and noted they have created messages regarding recruitment and retention. Jesse Hansen indicated that they would like to field this messaging with some audiences in the field (i.e., Attorneys, Clinical Supervisors, Adjunct University faculty.)

# Taylor Redding (ODVSOM Staff) Announced:

Training Events:

- 2024 Training Calendar:
  - Advanced Series Training on Assessing Risk for Sexual and Domestic Violence Recidivism: Latest Research, including Cross-Cultural Validity which will be held on April 18, 2024 by Dr. Helmus (full-day training)
  - Core Training:
    - DV102 scheduled for February 20, 2024
    - DV103 scheduled for March 4, 2024
  - Training Not Sponsored by the DVOMB:
    - The Denver Domestic Violence Task Force is scheduled on March 1, 2024 from 10:00 am 2:00 pm regarding Ten Strategies for Building Individual Accountability and Group Engagement



- Female Offender Domestic Violence Offender Evaluation & Treatment is scheduled for February 29<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. This is a Zoom training and will be led By Jeanette Barich,
- Lunch and Learns (for DV Providers only):
  - Report out on the Uncovering a Hidden Addiction; Problem Gambling as a Cause and Effect of Interpersonal Violence was given by Odessa Dwarika on February 7, 2024
  - Parental Alienation will be held on April 3, 2024, by Dr. William Beverly
- Taylor Redding indicated that a JotForm for pre-registration for LGBTQ+ training in the Colorado Springs area was sent out which is not scheduled yet.
- 2024 ODVSOM Conference Updates:
  - Conference Dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> week of July (7/9 7/12/24)
  - Call for papers was extended through 2/23/2024.
  - She noted to be on the lookout for hotel booking requests that will be forthcoming.
- Carolina Frane (ODVSOM Staff):
  - $\circ~$  She indicated that the Application Review Committee (ARC) has started implementing the Standards Compliance Reviews.
- Yuanting Zhang (ODVSOM Staff):
  - She noted that there is a popup reminder for the Data collection for ReliaTrax to close out cases. Dr. Zhang asked all to ensure to close out cases in ReliaTrax so that the data transfers to the Provider Data Management System (PDMS.) Yuanting Zhang indicated that she cannot see who has entered the data, but she does know who has not entered any data at all.
  - She mentioned that the Chinese New Year starts on February 10, and mentioned a huge New Year's party at the George Washington High School in Denver. She indicated to email her for a discount code to attend this party.

## Board Discussion:

Yolanda Arredondo (DVOMB Member) announced that she will be working with a sub-workgroup of the Child Protection Task Group who are creating standards for treatment for juveniles and families that are impacted by Domestic Violence abuse and are involved in dependency and neglect situations. She noted these standards are being created for court personnel, case workers, and child welfare workers, and mentioned that the goal is to mimic the DVOMB Standards. Yolanda Arredondo mentioned that she will keep the DVOMB informed and may ask for input with these standards as more information becomes available.

Yolanda Arredondo (DVOMB Member) Korey Elger, from the Division of Child Welfare will present at the next DVOMB meeting on the implementation of a bill regarding incarcerated parents who are child welfare system involved regarding a program to ensure parenting continues while being incarcerated. She noted the need for parenting classes and support groups for incarcerated parents to ensure continuity of visitation, treatment, learning parenting skills and for those involved with the Child Welfare System.

# Public Discussion:

None

# FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) asked if providers are required to use a second risk assessment when the DVRNA is validated for women and with LGBTQIA+ clients. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that this will be discussed at a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT REVIEW: REVISIONS REGARDING LANGUAGES AND INTERPRETATION SERVICES (Discussion & Vote): (Attachment #2) - Jennifer Parker and Raechel Alderete, DVOMB Members



Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item noting that it is a discussion and voting item. She then referred this discussion to Jennifer Parker and Raechel Alderete regarding the public comments received and review by the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging Committee (DEIB.)

Jennifer Parker (DOVMB Member & DEIB Committee Chair) was not in attendance during this discussion, so Raechel Alderete (DVOMB Member) discussed the following:

Raechel Alderete (DVOMB Member) noted that the Languages and Interpretation Services revisions were sent out for public comment. She reviewed the public comment received. Raechel Alderete indicated that the DEIB is working toward including this in the Standards with the possibility it would be found in the Appendices.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) indicated that the Interpretation Services guidance would be appropriate in Section 4.01 at the time of referral where it chronologically makes sense. He indicated that these revisions would not formally be approved until July, at which time a number of other revisions to the Standards will be up for approval. Jesse Hansen mentioned that in the meantime, the Interpretation Services guidance can be found in Section 4.01 of the DVOMB Standards.

Nil Buckley arrived at 9:39 am

Board Discussion: None

Public Discussion: None

VOTE TO APPROVE REVISIONS TO THE LANGUAGES AND INTERPRETATION SERVICES AS PRESENTED:

Raechel Alderete (DVOMB Member) made a motion to approve the revisions to the Languages and Interpretation Services as presented

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) to prepare the vote.

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# Question #2

The motion passed with 13 votes to approve the Revisions to the languages and Interpretation Services as presented, 0 votes to object, and 0 vote to abstain.

	Responses		
	Percent	Count	
Yes	100.0%	13	
No	00.0%	0	
Abstain	00.0%	0	
Totals	100%	0	

### <u>RESULTS OF THE 2024 ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Presentation & Discussion)</u>: (Attachment #3) - Dr. Rachael Collie, Dr. Yuanting Zhang, and Jesse Hansen, DVOMB Staff

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced the Results of the 2024 Annual Legislative Report agenda item noting that it is a presentation and discussion item. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) thanked the DEIB Committee for their input and work on this report.



Dr. Rachael Collie (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) noted that she will present on the information that she completed in this report, and indicated that Dr. Yuanting Zhang (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) and Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) will also report on various sections of this report. The following information was highlighted win the presentation:

Disclaimer Executive Summary Section 1 - Research & Evidence-based practice Section 2 - Relevant Policy Issues and Recommendations Section 3 - Milestones and Achievements Section 4 - Future Goals and Directions References Appendices

Reporting period: 7/1 - 6/30

Dr. Rachael Collie (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) presented as follows: <u>Section 1: Dynamic Risk Factors</u>: Research Review was completed:

- Dynamic Risk Factors & DV Treatment
  - Need Principle directs treatment and supervision to address and monitor dynamic risk factors (Criminogenic needs)
  - Important question involves determining the relevant set of dynamic risk factors and if apply across racial-ethnic, female gender, & LGVTQ+
  - Consider protective factors & trauma-sensitive care
  - Research review, 20+ studies, DV recidivism and DV correlates, meta-analyses/systematic review, majority published since 2020.
- Main Findings:
  - DV recidivism and predicted by broad criminogenic domains of RNR model
  - Range of more DV specific risk factors
  - Apply across racial-ethnic groups, female gender, and same-sex relationships, but unique factors
  - Lethality increases with access to firearms, prior severe DV, separation, mental health issues
  - Protective factors include internal locus of control, relationship satisfaction, communication and conflict resolution skills, coping skills, income and education, empathy, higher self-esteem, older age, healthy relationship beliefs.
  - Accepted dynamic risk factors develop out of or exacerbated by adverse childhood experiences. Research is identifying how ACEs increase propensity for DV via dynamic risk factors.

# Board Discussion:

Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) commented on the fact that empathy is listed as a Protective Factor. Dr. Rachael Collie (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) indicated that empathy does play an important role and noted research is including empathy.

### Public Discussion:

Patricia Murphy (Audience Member) commented that this is a great summary of how common-sense ideas are reflected in research.

- DVRNA Validation Study not presenting on this section at this time
- DVOMB Data Analysis Dr. Yuanting Zhang (ODVSOM Statistical Analyst) presented the following data results:
  - House Bill 22-1210 passed in June 2022 mandated the DVOMB to collect client level data at the time of discharge.
  - Two data entry options: Provider Data Management System (PDMS) and ReliaTrax (78.6" of providers)



- Training: October December 2022; ongoing technical support
- Provider Participation: The goal is to achieve 100% participation.

# Analysis Goals:

- Purpose of the data
- Time frame of analysis:  $1^{st}$  half (1/1 6/30) of FY 2023
- Sample Size: N-437, 130 from PDMS and 307 from ReliaTrax
- Client Consent rates: 46.9%

# **Client Demographics:**

- o Age
- Gender
- Sexual Orientation
- Primary Language
- $\circ$  Relationship with victims

# Client Race/Ethnicity & Education:

- Race/Ethnicity
- Highest Education (at time of offense)

# DV Clients by Referral Source (N-414\*):

- Probation
- Private Probation
- Community Corrections
- Parole
- o Diversion
- o Court
- Self-referred
- o Other
- County DHS/DYS

### Treatment Levels Placed (N-411):

- Treatment Level C (high intensity), B (moderate), or A (low-risk)
- Number of Clients

# Treatment Outcomes by DVRNA Levels (N-410):

- By Male and Female
- By Treatment Level
- Percent Completed, Unsuccessful, Administrative

Andrea Bradbury (DVOMB Member) asked what is happening with the 50% of those individuals who were unsuccessfully discharged from treatment. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) responded that they may go back to court, who can could term them out, put them in jail, or re-sentence them for continued treatment. Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) commented that in El Paso County these clients are sometimes sent to another provider from Probation.

Raechel Alderete (DVOMB Member) noted that information should be clarified in the report for the Legislature.

Rachael Collie (ODVSOM Statistical Analyst) noted that the Legislative Report does give the list of reasons for unsuccessful discharge. She mentioned it would be helpful to include the various processes involved when a client is unsuccessfully discharged. Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Program Manager) indicated that most times providers are out of the loop when a client unsuccessfully discharges from treatment and would not know if another referral is made (this information is not tracked in the database.)

Michelle Hunter (DVOMB Member) noted that Legislatively, Parole has different obligations and processes regarding unsuccessful discharges or violations to take the clients back before the Parole Board.



Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) commented that as a provider, typically clients who are discharged unsuccessfully are referred to another agency. She noted that the new provider should have a discharge summary from the previous provider. Jeanette Barich then asked if for those whose treatment is increasing if the PDMS is collecting data as to why treatment is increasing. She asked if increasing risk factors are part of the reason. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that there is a post DVRNA that can be given when a client is unsuccessfully discharged from treatment which can allude to the risk factors, and he indicated that due to the cut-off date of 7/1 there is not any data that would capture those situations. He noted that inconsistency with providers scoring on those situations could be part of the reason.

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) asked if a survey can be polled with Probation and Parole to obtain the unsuccessful discharges and the reasons. The general response to her question was "no."

Patricia Murphy (Audience Member) noted that there are many crucial considerations with defendants who do not successfully complete their DV treatment at one agency and then have to try another agency. She noted that perhaps they can try to develop a better clinical rapport with another agency. Patricia Murphy also suggested that the inability to pay for treatment also factors into treatment failure rates.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) presented as follows: Section 2 - Relevant Policy and Recommendations:

- Issues related to Cannabis use with Domestic Violence Offenders
  - Literature Review Domestic Violence
  - Total of 14 articles were reviewed and considered
  - The link between domestic violence and substance use is established.
  - Decriminalization and medical marijuana legalization
  - Domestic violence specific considerations
    - Three meta-analyses reported that cannabis use was positively associated with partner violence.
    - Cannabis use and perpetration is on par with substances more typically associated with Intimate partner violence (IPV.)
    - Frequency of cannabis use in the past year demonstrated a modest, but positive, association with the frequency of report of IPV.
    - Domestic violence is not caused as a result of substance use or misuse.
    - Causal mechanisms...
    - High-Potency Marijuana
  - <u>Recommendation</u>: The DVOMB recommends that the legislative statutorily require the DVOMB to conduct a study examining how the use of cannabis by domestic violence offenders is associated with domestic violence offender treatment participation, compliance, outcomes, ad victim safety.
    - 2020 White Paper Review and Summary
    - Key Issues:
      - Restorative Justice Practitioners and Practice Lack Regulatory Oversight
      - Prohibition Against Couples Counseling
      - Ethical and Practice Related Concerns regarding Victim Safety
  - <u>Recommendation:</u> It is recommended that further data and research that examine the effects and implications of RJ Programs prior to the adoption and implementation of broad policies or statutory changes regarding RJ Programs for domestic violence offenders.

### Board and Audience Discussion:

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked if there was a literature review done for Restorative Justice practices. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) replied that yes this was done and indicated that outcomes were better for clients who had treatment and in conjunction with Restorative Justice Programs.

Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) discussed some clients who continue to use marijuana and the difficulty faced with them moving forward in treatment. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that this issue was



highlighted for the Legislature, and noted that the Board approved this research study and how high use of marijuana directly affects domestic violence clients and their ability to adhere to treatment. Nil Buckley suggested further Board discussion regarding this study and the normalization of cannabis use in Colorado and how it affects client treatment.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) indicated that the data has been helpful analyzing those in live treatment and those using tele-therapy. He also noted that the data indicates what happens for those high-risk clients (Level C) who unsuccessfully discharge and how to help them be more successful.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) noted that a copy of the Annual Legislative Report will be available in the Chat function.

Dr. Rachael Collie (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) reviewed the following: Section - Milestones & Achievements:

- Manage 6 DVOMB Committees
- Approved 74 applications for approved providers
- 153 active & 32 not currently practicing Treatment Providers. 111approved for services to females, 44 for LGBTQ+ clients
- Conducted 38 trainings to 1,400+ attendees (includes the ODVSOM Conference)
- Validated DVRNA
- Supported monthly technical hours
- Shared about recruitment and retention characteristics
- Implemented client data collection requirements (HB 22-1210)

# Section 4: Future Goals & Directions

- Focus on Public Safety
- Periodic Revisions in the Standards
- Recognize Role in RNR

Dr. Yuanting Zhang (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) indicated that the DV providers are very tech savvy and are great at using the PDMS system.

Rachael Alderete (DVOMB Member) thanked Dr. Collie and Dr. Zhang for all the hard work involved in creating this report.

<u>SECTION 1.00 REVISIONS REGARDING PURVIEW OF THE DVOMB (Presentation & Review)</u>: (Attachment #4) -Jesse Hansen, DVOMB Staff and Stephanie Fritts, DVOMB Chair

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item as a discussion item. She then asked Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) to update the Board regarding revisions made by the Executive Committee to Section 1.00.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Coordinator) reviewed that the DVOMB Standards still have purview over domestic violence offenders that have criminal charges (or they have been dropped) without an underlying factual basis of domestic violence and are required by the Courts (both Criminal and Civil) to enter into Domestic Violence Offender related treatment. He noted that due to this information from the Attorney General's office, revisions to Section 1.00 have been suggested as follows:

Section 1.00

• Added the last paragraph: According to the Statute, treatment is defined as 'Therapy, Monitoring, and Supervision of any domestic violence offender which conforms to the Standards created by the Board' (§ 16-11.8-102 C.R.S.). These Standards govern the practice of mental health professionals who meet the qualification requirements and are approved by the DVOMB."

Section 1.01-I. - Purview of the Board

• Added: Pursuant to Statutory purview of \$16-11.8-103(4)(A)(II) C.R.S., the DVOMB has purview over guilty pleas, pleas of Nolo Contendere, convictions after criminal trials, deferred sentences, and stipulation/finding of a domestic violence factual basis. These Standards and Guidelines are required for adult domestic violence offenders whose criminal charges include an



underlying factual basis of domestic violence §18-6.800.3 C.R.S.) and are required to undergo an evaluation and treatment by a DVOMB approved provider as:

- $\circ$  Ordered by the Court to be placed on State Probation, Municipal, or Private Probation
- Ordered by the Parole Board per the Parole Agreement
- Ordered by a Community Corrections Board (i.e., Direct Sentence, DOC Inmates occupying State funded Community Correction beds)
- Ordered to complete as part of a pre-sentence offender evaluation.
- Added Discussion Point: "In cases where the domestic violence offender enhancer/tag has been removed, the Court may still order a defendant to domestic violence offender treatment when the Court makes a finding for the requirement to undergo treatment as being reasonably related to the defendant's rehabilitation, community safety, or the goals of Probation. Defendants who are ordered to undergo domestic violence offender treatment shall meet the requirements of the DVOMB Standards and Guidelines which includes addressing responsibility for the Domestic Violence related behaviors in the index offense."

#### Section 1.01 - II.

- Added: "The Board provides the following guidance regarding use of the Standards for adults who are <u>not</u> under the statutory purview of the DVOMB. These Standards and Guidelines may be utilized as best practice in the following situations where there are concerns of abusive, harmful, or domestic violence behavior for:
  - Adults placed on Diversion, without a deferred sentence,
  - Adults requesting a pre-plea evaluation, or
  - Adults requesting a domestic violence evaluation as part of a domestic relations or civil protection order case pursuant to \$14-10-124, C.R.S.
  - Where a party is receiving services for domestic abuse behavior provided by a county Department of Human Services/Social Services (DHS/DSS) without a legal requirement.
    - A person wo voluntarily enters into treatment due to self-disclosed behaviors related to domestic violence behaviors."

#### Section 1.01 - VI. - Youth Who Engage in Relationship Abuse

• Added: "It is not the intention of the Legislation, or the DVOMB, that these Standards and Guidelines be Applied to the treatment of juveniles who have engaged in teen dating violence or relationship abuse. Despite many similarities in the behavior and treatment of juveniles and adults, important differences exist in their developmental stages, the process of their offending behaviors, and the context for juveniles who must be addressed differently in their diagnosis and treatment. Please see the current publication of the <u>Best Practice Guidelines for Working with Youth Who Engage in Relationship abuse.</u>"

#### Section 1.02 - II. - Terms of Reference

• Added: Adherence to the Standards by approved providers is monitored through the application, complain, and Standards Compliance review processes. Standards are mandatory and designated by 'Shall' or 'Must', while Guidelines are distinguished by the use of the term 'Should.' Although the DVOMB does not have purview over other stakeholders involved in the supervision of defendants convicted of a domestic violence offense (for example, Probation, Parole, and the Judiciary), it offers these Guidelines as a tool to assist in the management of offenders and to enhance collaboration among stakeholders and to provide guidance on best practices."

#### Board Discussion:

Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) expressed approval of the revised language, but indicated she still has concerns with the treatment aspect. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) indicated that a Policy Brief will be created to address the scope of the purview of treatment providers.

Nicole Collins (DVOMB Member) asked if Adams County uses Diversion programs for DV offenders. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) responded yes, and that it is not necessarily DV treatment. There was discussion regarding when DV treatment is used in diversion programs that are funded by the State.

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) asked for clarification of Section 1.02 - II which discusses situations when the DVOMB Standards do not have purview but "may" be used. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) and Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) noted that the providers should use their professional judgement for these cases. Raechel Alderete (DVOMB Member) noted that for juvenile sex offender cases, there has been guidance issued when working with populations in these circumstances. She noted that the SOMB staff works with the Office of Adult and Juvenile Justice Assistance (OAJJA) for diversion clients, and indicated that the DV or SO Standards do not have authority over treatment. Raechel Alderete noted that if the Diversion Program is Grant funded, they are then required to use approved DV or SO providers, who can adjust treatment as needed.

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) noted regarding Juvenile Diversion that there is a need for training for clients on diversion and what the responsibilities of the providers are in these situations. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) noted that this is a broader topic and outside the scope of the current discussion and should be addressed at a later date.



Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) asked when a civil client files a grievance on a provider who is provided treatment when they do not have purview over their civil case. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that if it is strictly a civil case, then the client does not fall under the purview of the DVOMB.

Carolina Frane (DVOMB Implementation Specialist) commented even when there is not purview, providers can include in their documentation that they are referring to the DVOMB Standards for treatment to ensure best practices are adhered to. She clarified that in evaluations that fall under the purview of the DVOMB, they must be evaluated by a pre-sentence evaluator but the evaluation does not have to be a pre-sentence evaluation.

Nicole Collins (DVOMB Member) asked if there are "practice tips" for providers when faced with these cases, and suggested if it is warranted to create these for providers. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) and Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) both agreed for this clarification.

Yolanda Arredondo (DVOMB Member) indicated that the language highlighted in red may not apply for all agencies.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) asked for any recommended language changes be sent to him by February 20<sup>th</sup> so the Executive Committee can contemplate those.

Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) asked for clarification on how changes to Statute happen without considering the DVOMB. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that the Division of Criminal Justice Legislative Liaison works for the entire Division, and mentioned that some of these bill recommendations fall through the cracks. He noted that he can highlight issues in the Legislative Report.

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) confirmed that the Standards are best practice and are to be utilized to the best of their ability based on the circumstance. She noted that when a victim does not want to participate in the criminal process that it might not be trauma involved

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) indicated that each county has their own way of doing work in this field, and reminded all to keep in mind that the use of the Standards is best practice and is voluntary based on the situation.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that these revisions will go back to the Executive Committee

Jennifer Parker arrived at the meeting at 11:05 am.

Public Discussion:

None

BREAK: 11:17 - 11:30

LUNCH AND LEARN: INTERSTATE COMPACT REQUIREMENTS TRAINING (Presentation and Discussion)(1/2 Hour of Training Credit): (Attachment #5) Matt Cooper and Courtney Davis

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item as a presentation and discussion item. She then referred to Matt Cooper (Presenter) and Courtney Davis (Presenter) for more information

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) introduced Matt Cooper and Courtney Davis who presented on the Interstate Compact Requirements.

Matt Cooper and Courtney Davis presented the following information:

- Why does Colorado have this Law
- Interstate Compact
  - Supervision
    - Interstate Compact Offender Tracking System (ICOTS)
    - Information can be found at Interstate Compact
- Required Forms



- Notification of Out-of-State Offender Placement (Form A)
- Registration Form (Form B) fingerprint card
- Client Questionnaire (Form C)
- Email completed packet (Form A, B, C and Provider's Release of Information) to the <u>Interstate</u> <u>Compact Office</u>
- Treatment Notification Letter
  - o An Approval
  - A Denial

Additional Information Questions

Matt Cooper (Presenter) indicated that if there is not a referral from the other state and is not in the ICOTS system, then a complete background check will have to be done. He noted for those who have an outstanding warrant(s) that they will have to be reviewed to see if this will affect public safety.

# Board Discussion:

Jeanne Barich (DVOMB Member) noted that there are those who have old convictions that are closed. She asked if the treatment providers need to initiate the form process for those clients. Courtney Davis (Presenter) responded yes, and noted they should at least hand them the fingerprint card and let the client have the entire packet to complete. She noted that the client should supply the documentation and the provider would have to submit it to the Office of Interstate Compact.

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) asked about those with Diversion sentences and if they are to follow the same process. Caroline Frane (DVOMB Implementation Specialist) responded that she has worked with these clients before and noted that it is not too complicated or time consuming. She mentioned that the Diversion treatment provided is compliant with the DVOMB Standards for public safety purposes.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) asked where the Interstate Compact office is located. Matt Cooper (Presenter) responded that the Department of Corrections and the Probation Departments have an office.

Matt Cooper (Presenter) asked if the forms and PowerPoint could be added to the DVOMB website. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) noted that the forms are already on the website, but noted that an updated PowerPoint would be beneficial.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) thanked Matt Cooper and Courtney Davis for this presentation and the work they do.

Public Discussion:

None

BREAK: 12:00 - 12:15

# OFFICE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEX OFFENDER MANAGEMENT TRAINING CONDUCT POLICY (Presentation & Discussion): (Attachment #6) - Jesse Hansen, DVOMB Staff

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item as a presentation and discussion item. She then deferred to Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) and Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Program Manager) for more information.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) noted that there has been an ODVSOM Training Conduct Policy for many years and indicated the possible inclusion of the Anti-harassment and an Anti-discrimination policy. He mentioned that when someone registers for a training, the registration will include this policy and indicated they will have to approve this in order to participate. He noted that the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) policy was referred to for help in crafting this policy and was sent to Danielle Lewis (Attorney General's Office). Jesse Hansen noted that Danielle Lewis made a few changes to the Training Policy, and mentioned the Training Committee and the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) Committee also



**COLORADO Division of Criminal Justice** Department of Public Safety reviewed the policy. The DEIB Committee suggested some changes to the Background and Purpose section of the policy which were made.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) indicated that the policy will be ready to go in the next few weeks, and mentioned that there will not be a vote on this, but asked for consensus from the Board. Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (DVOMB Program Manager) noted that a section was added to the policy that indicates an individual may possibly be removed from the training or conference and may be denied access entry to future ODVSOM training or conference events if they make unsafe comments.

# Board Discussion:

None

# Public Discussion:

None

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) outlined the next steps and ways Board members can be involved with the conference

# IMPLEMENTATION REGARDING THE DVRNA-R PILOT AND THE REVISED CORE COMPETENCIES (Discussion and

<u>Consensus</u>): (Attachment #6) - Jesse Hansen, Dr. Rachael Collie, and Taylor Redding (DVOMB Staff) Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item as a discussion and consensus item. She then referred it to Jesse Hansen, Dr. Rachael Collie, and Taylor Redding for more information (DVOMB Staff.)

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) noted that there were a number of things that have been identified to the DVRNA-R Pilot. He indicated the need to initiate some major changes in the Standards and the following information was presented:

- Overall Goal and Purpose (Presented by Jesse Hansen)
  - Update Regarding DVRNA-Revised Pilot
  - Discuss Major Standards Revisions
  - Communicate Estimated Goals and Timeline
  - Identify Next Steps
- DVRNA Validation Conclusions (Presented by Dr. Rachael Collie)
  - The greatest reduction in recidivism will most likely happen in Group C (highest risk category)
  - What's next: Review domains that are causing extra work or are not related to risk
  - The domains were re-evaluated and it was found by removing the weak domains risk was reduced by 5-10%
    - She noted the need to update the DVRNA for better accuracy
      - Current Limitations of the DVRNA
      - Planning for the DVRNA-R Pilot
        - Use the tool to inform treatment and as a risk assessment
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- Planning for the DVRNA-R Pilot (Presented by Taylor Redding)
  - Applications and DVOMB Approved Providers
  - Potential Partners:
    - State Court Administrators Office (SCAO)
    - Colorado Department of Corrections
    - Cuyahoga County, Ohio Domestic Relations Court's Parenting After Violence (PAVE)
  - Multiple Moving Parts the Pilot will affect Change Management, which will revise Offender Competencies, ultimately driving numerous Standards Revisions
- DVOMB Strategic Goals
  - Phased and integrated approach
  - Delayed Implementation
  - o Reorganization of the DVOMB Standards and Guidelines



- Complete Revisions for Section 1.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, and 10.0.
- Creation of a new Section in the Standards specific to the Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team (MTT)
- Change Management
  - Phase 1 2024
    - Development: DVRNA-Pilot Standards Revisions
  - Phase 2 2025
    - Implementation: Publish Standards

Training and Technical Assistance Information Systems Onboard and Partner Organizations Probation Parole/DOC Community Corrections

• Phase 3 - 2026 - 2027

Fidelity Measures: Sunset Review

DVRNA-R Validation Study Process Evaluation

- Call to Action
  - $\circ$  ~ Time for innovation and change
  - All hands on deck philosophy
  - Interrogate our processes

# Board Discussion:

Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) noted that there is a high probability that all providers cannot follow along with the Standards overhaul, and indicated the need for training for providers who are having trouble following the current Standards. She discussed the difficulties that will be incurred with the extra DVRNA-R reviews, and that a large amount of training would be helpful. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that training is tantamount, and indicated that the new DVRNA-R will be more streamlined due to the nature of the additional workload. He indicated that it will take 12-18 months to implement these changes and reviewed the timing for all three phases of this proposal. Nil Buckley then expressed support of these proposed changes.

Dr. Rachael Collie (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) noted that the risk assessment field has been accelerated with better models to use as a guide. She noted that standardizing practices will point out the community of knowledge. Dr. Collie expressed her appreciation for the evaluations that are being done. She agreed that they are time consuming which will drive some of the modifications to the DVRNA. Jesse Hansen mentioned that the SCAO is interested in this instrument, and is looking for continuity throughout the State for supervision. He mentioned that it will take an implementation process and a lot of work to reach uniformity using this new instrument. Nil Buckley (DVOMB Member) agreed with Jesse Hansen's response and the value in using this instrument.

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) asked if there is a goal as to the number of providers involved, and if a link to the application can be provided. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) responded that they want a good number of providers, but not too many for the pilot. He indicated the need for expertise around female offenders, underrepresented populations, and the LGBTQ+ communities.

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) asked what the timeframe is for collecting data. Dr. Rachael Collie (DVOMB Statistical Analyst) responded that the data should include a minimum of 6 months from the start of treatment through 6 months after the end of treatment. She indicated that after 2 years, there should be plenty of data and will capture recidivism numbers. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) and Dr. Collie indicated that 6-9 months after the pilot should garner enough data to see how it is working and what will need to be tweaked. Jesse Hansen noted the need to implement the Core Competencies along with the DVRNA to ensure the validation study will show progress. Jeanette Barich indicated that the providers will have to build in administrative time to enter the data for this study.



#### Judge Burback (DVOMB Member) left the meeting at 12:46 pm Tracey Martinez (DVOMB Member) left the meeting at 1:03 pm

#### Public Discussion:

Kay Knaub (Audience) expressed that this information makes sense. Patricia Murphy (Audience Member) noted that this was a great meeting.

#### Further Discussion:

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Program Coordinator) indicated that this proposed timeframe is fluid and noted it might take longer or shorter. He mentioned that it might be necessary to shorten Board meetings in order to craft the major revisions to the Standards or have Standards Revisions meetings right after the Board meetings.

# <u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting adjourned at 1:07 pm

Respectfully submitted by,



	Motion to Approve the	Motion to Approve the revisions
	January Minutes	regarding Languages and
		Interpretation Services.
Name	Q1	Q2
Nil Buckley	1	1
Bradley Burback	NP	NP
Nicole Collins	3	1
Andrea Bradbury	1	1
Jessica Fann	1	1
Lori Griffith	1	
Stephanie Fritts	1	1
Jennifer Parker	NP	NP
Karen Morgenthaler	NP	NP
Michelle Hunter	1	1
Sandie Campanella	1	1
Glory McDaniel	NP	NP
Yolanda Arredondo	1	1
Tally Zuckerman	1	1
Erin Gazelka	NP	NP
Jackie List	NP	NP
Jeanette Barich	1	1
Tracey Martinez	1	1
Raechel Alderete	1	1
Total	Yes = 12	Yes = 13
	No = 0	No = 0
	Abstain = 1	Abstain = 0
	Total Present = 13	Total Present = 13

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1 = Yes

2 = No

3 = Abstain

NP = Not Present

