

Domestic Violence Homicide Review: Case Analysis and Recommendation Report



Summary

The purpose of the report is to:

- Highlight the profound impact of domestic violence, specifically focusing on systemic actors involved in domestic violence cases
- Serve as a practical resource for systems to identify and drive positive change across key areas of identification, understanding and responding to domestic violence, as well as perpetrator accountability
- Give a voice to victims of domestic violence by learning from their lived experiences

Key Recommendations:

- 1.1 Consistent annual training for systemic actors on the understanding of domestic violence lethality factors and the utilization of a shared evidence-based danger assessment tool when making determinations related to domestic violence cases.
- 1.2 Increased understanding of the presence of domestic violence lethality factors.
- 1.3 Implement consistent training for systemic actors on recognizing the use and effects of coercive control within domestic violence relationships.
- 2.1 Stop any existing practice of encouraging parties to enter into a Mutual Restraining Order in lieu of a Personal Protection Order at the onset of divorce proceedings.
- 3.1 Continue supervised parenting time until the concerns underlying the supervision are genuinely addressed.
- 4.1 Implement consistent training for systemic actors on the impact domestic violence has on secondary trauma and compassion fatigue.