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## TEXT CHAT TRANSCRIPT

### WEB CONFERENCE

Coaching Boys Into Men: Linking sports and teen dating violence prevention

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### Presenters and Guests

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California Coalition Against Sexual Assault

*Participant names have been removed from this chat record, unless provided by the participant in text.*

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Where's everyone from?

STOP Domestic Violence, Malone, NY

CT

**David Lee:** Welcome, we will start soon

Lafayette, LA

Indy, IN

Northampton, MA

Portland, OR

Denton County Friends of the Family - Corinth, TX

Coudersport PA

Northern British Columbia

cinci, OH

Riverside, Ca

Vicky Herrmann Erie, Pa

Marshalltown, IA

Prince Edward Island, CANADA

with my co-worker Allyson

Linda Slanina, Northwest British Columbia

Ami Rzasa- University Police, California State University Long Beach

quick question. Is it better if we dial in or communicate on chat?

DELTA Project, Ottawa County Michigan

Atlanta, GA-Governor's Office for Children and Families, Family Violence Division

Joe Farrell NYS Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Albany NY

Bend, Oregon (Local Health Department) =)

New Britain Youth and Family Services, New Britain, CT

Sara Anderson: CAPSA Rape Prevention Education Coordinator

Napa CA

DELTA Project, Cranston, Rhode Island

**David Lee:** We will start soon

TAALK San Diego Ca, and Blatt afram in Iceland. Both NGO's dedicated to CSA and prevention.

Lnn Chamberlain: Haven of Lake & Sumter Counties, Inc., Leesburg, FL.

Good morning everyone!

Brenda Walker w/ Haven of Lake & Sumter Cos., Inc. Leesburg, FL.

Kathy Brewer, IUP (Indiana Univ. of PA)

Santi Allende: Tahoe SAFE Alliance, Lake Tahoe, CA. Prevention Education

Lisa Frazier of Crisis Services of North Alabama, Scottsboro AL

Tiffany Braley w/ Vera House Inc., Syracuse, NY

Yenny Velazquez, Young Latina Future Leaders program coordinator from The Latina Center, Richmond, CA.

LA County DPH, Injury and Violence Prevention

Sarah Woodring, Deborah Boulware and Miranda Langley, STEP, Lancaster, SC

George Lester: Good afternoon, Americorps Sexual Assault Prevention Educator in Marion/Dillon South Carolina.

**David Lee:** We are about to begin

Dawn Stover, Native Alliance Against Violence, Oklahoma's tribal DV SA Coalition

God Morning All

Meshia Means, People Against Rape Charleston, SC Prevention Education Coordinator

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Houston, TX

Stephanie Murray, Women's Resource Center Oceanside Ca

St. Louis, MO

Marilyn Lowe

Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault

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Washington, PA

Hi from the Sierra foothills in El Dorado County of California

\*that was for charisa

Community Educator, Turning Point, Mt. Clemens Michigan

Bill Hawley: Prevention Specialist at the Community Resource Center in Buffalo, Wyoming

T.Yohannes from Monroe County Probation Dept, Rochester, NY

Hello from HOPE in beautiful Southeast Alaska

Meshia, can you explain more?

Defending Childhood Coordinator, Multnomah County Domestic Violence Coordination Office, Portland OR

Cathlamet, Wa. The Charlotte House DV/SA Services

Jill Gruenberg: RESPONSE DV/SA Agency

Cheryl Nelson

Check

A Safe Place, Lake County, IL

SHARE Director, Princeton University

Futures Without Violence, San Francisco

**David Lee:** <http://preventconnect.org/2012/03/web-conference-coaching-boys-into-men/>

Family Crisis Centers of NW Iowa

its next to the hand that he was just talking about at the very top. there is a speaker and it says audio. click that to be sure it is not muted. as well as check your sound on your computer to be sure you are not muted.

Kim McArthur, Rape Prevention Education Coordinator - PAWS for Change in Klamath Falls Oregon

Hi David! PCAR in Enola, PA

Di Holmes, Harambee Family Services Consulting, Denver, Colorado

Diane Mayfield, West central Illinois, DV/SA and Partner Abuse agency

marge kleinsmith San Diego Unified

yes

Loida Henriquez-Pons, DV Shelter in NY

Sonvi Kapoor, San Francisco

Debi Reynolds - AmeriCorps Program Director - Sexual Assault/Teen Dating Violence Prevention/Healthy Relationships - Florence, SC

thank you!

In Our Own Voices, Albany, NY also here with Robin Roberts from Albany County DSS

no

have attended webinar but first time with this agency

Karishma Brownlee, Outreach Advocate at Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center

the polling questions aren't loading on our computer... we are with the school district

dv coalition

Hi Karishma!

World Health Organization

**Elizabeth Miller:** health care organization

Rape Crisis Center

Training institute

ICASA

Tribal Organization, Smith River Rancheria, Smith River, CA

We have both DV/SA and a partner abuse intervention program.

Crime Victim Center

ICF International

state government DV/SA funder

family social services non-profit

Tribal Nation

Domestic Violence Agency

VIBS Family Violence & Rape Crisis Center, Islandia, NY

Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Non profit, NGO

faith and DVSA volunteer. survivor of DV and have 3 sons

I am with a public health consulting firm

I'm the 1%!

my son is a survivor and is a PE teacher and coach

Americorps Sexual Assault Educator and Pee Dee Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault volunteer.

I'm not able to hear an audio.

**David Lee:** For audio please call 888-205-6786

Center For A Non Violent Community:Dixie Velte,Tim McCaffrey, Vix Williamson

**David Lee:** passcod 995 114#

Safe Home Coordinator and Children who witness abuse worker - Mackenzie Counseling Services

Remind us of your website again, plz

**David Lee:** <http://preventconnect.org/2012/03/web-conference-coaching-boys-into-men/>

**David Lee:** What are men willing to do to about the problems of domestic violence and sexual violence?

Mentorship

talk with their kids

activities that get them noticed.

Become role models and leaders

Volunteer. Speak out

share experiences

Mentor boys, volunteer, talk to sons

Become prevention volunteers

Model healthy relationships

**Brian O'Connor:** donate \$\$\$

Whatever is necessary. With support and training.

Mentor, get involved

Be champions and leaders.

They are willing to censure their friends, they are willing to use substances more responsibly

anything that needs to be done once they recognize they have a voice at the table

correct incorrect notions among friends

mentoring, with training

educate themselves

Hold their peers accountable

interrupting sexist behavior and language

Help other young men, mentorship

accountable bystanders

leaders for youth in schools

Holding friend's accountable

Kitchen table level conversations

Talking and mentoring their daughters

examine their behavior, their presumptions about masculinity...

mentoring and being educated

find their voice

PSAs

Support their wives

mentoring being THE example

be a role model

Say they are against it

walk in heels for a cause - men's march

Support other men who are standing up against violence

Help break down stereotypes

Getting Educated about how DV and SV affects all of society

great answer Lili

Community engagement

role modeling

Leading by example!!

Men are willing to mentor through volunteering in DJJ and reeducating young men

holding peers and family members accountable

pledge to not engage in violent behaviors

Help dispel the myths

Lead by being powerful examples

be a role model

Boys Circle Training

hold peer accountable

What are they not willing to do?

positive influence through mentoring, volunteering, etc

I work with teens and several male high school students have gotten involved with our domestic violence agency and our Teen Leadership Project to learn about the issues, and want to help promote respect in relationships and also our agency at their schools.

When men feel safe, they'll do whatever is needed of them.

MASV events

Il work with males in High school and Middle schools, and picked up DJJ recently. The absence of good male role models is very obvious to me.

Participate in Walk A Mile in Her Shoes

Is there a curriculum to this work. I currently operate from the Young Men's Work curriculum.

Helen I would be very interested to pick your brain about the Teen Leadership Project

**Chad Sniffen:** The video may take a while to load depending on the speed of your computer.

I remember this commercial !

have an error. did it start yet

**Chad Sniffen:** Or, rather, the speed of your internet connection.

can you post link for that video

Such an awesome clip!

Nice I like it

I love it!

wonderful!

still seems very relevant

Great!

these are wonderful. I remember when they came out.

Great video.

WOW! I remember this campaign

great video must be said

the truth is always relevant

Is there a captioned version of the video for the Deaf and hard of hearing?

**Chad Sniffen:**

[http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/section/our\\_work/men\\_and\\_boys/\\_multimedia](http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/section/our_work/men_and_boys/_multimedia)

excellent!

excellent!

Thank you!

**David Lee:** Who are potential positive role models for young males?

fathers, coaches, teachers, mothers, relatives

pastors, coaches

parents

church leaders

fathers

Father's

parents  
parents  
Coaches  
parents  
Coaches  
Coaches  
celebrities  
coaches  
coaches and teachers  
siblings  
Fathers, coaches, celebrities  
parents, teachers  
Uncles, fathers, step-fathers, pastors, teachers  
Youth Pastors  
siblings  
Teachers  
siblings  
other young males  
principals  
coaches  
parents & teachers  
Pastors, fathers, coaches, teachers  
pastors  
Teachers, Fathers, Grandfathers  
Uncles  
athletes  
Coaches, teachers, community leaders  
faith leader  
counselors  
pastors, teachers, big brothers  
totally coaches  
Brothers  
Everyone!  
Coaches, teachers, fathers, siblings, older cousins

athletes

big brothers

Teachers

big brothers, coaches

older peers and brothers

older peers

older peers

Dads, Pastors, Male Teachers, Parents

friends

young adults

their peers

administrators

big brothers/ youth

Fathers, coaches, teachers, clergy, scout leaders, siblings,

youth leaders

celebrities

older role models, ball players

parents

Explorer Post Leaders

brothers

healthy women

camp staff

Mothers

Any male

athletes

mentors

unfortunately stars and athletes

Public servants

peers

media

hip hop artists

Dads, Coaches, teachers, community leaders, pastors, church deacons, responsible young men.

famous men

Any men who are in their lives

camp counselors

celebrities

fathers\

Athletes,

hip hop artists

Grandpas

older peers

fathers that promote respect

anyone positive in heir lives

video game characters

any man in the community willing to step up

law enforcement, veterans

important women in their lives

gang leaders

musicians

any adult that listens

grandfather

soldiers

uncle

teachers

coaches

NOT gang leaders!! Sorry

love michelle's any adult that listens because we don't always listen

neighbors

agreed-any man has potential to be in their lives

Fathers and famous soccer players

former gang members

Former gang leaders...right, thanks

Are/ Can these slides be emailed to us?

<http://preventconnect.org/2012/03/web-conference-coaching-boys-into-men/>

that is so true. many high schoolers view their coaches as friends and are much more open with what is going on in their lives

Thank you Abby

**David Lee:** <http://www.coachescorner.org/>

**Chad Sniffen:** Thanks Abby!

As a high school athlete, I can attest to the fact that we didn't question that what the coaches were telling us was meant to make us successful.

Engaging young men through athletics seems like such a powerful and dynamic way to more naturally support social norms change.

"awaiting instructions"

I am not sure our school has anything in place to discuss the issue of violence, in any proportion.

what if the issue isn't important to the coach?

What kind of parental consent do you get in order to implement this program?

great questions Lesley

Is it challenging to get buy in from school districts and/or coaches? what have the challenges been?

It can be Erin. However, I don't think that today the focus is on these issues. We have athletes that abuse their girlfriends, but sports overshadows things sometimes, unfortunately.

thanks!

My program sent out a form that parents could return if they DID NOT want their child/student to participate in our program.

what age ranges is CBIM used for?

Rena, do you have an outline of the type of program you implemented that you could email me?

can it be used below high school

middle and high school age

thanks

**Chad Sniffen:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8N5emwY-wE>

Mindy, sure. Give me an email and I will send it to you after the webinar.

mmshelter@eoni.com

thank you Rena

Erin, George and I live in a very poor, rural, southeastern area in which sports are viewed as "a way out" and that is why athletes' behaviors are sometimes overlooked...very sad. We are

working on it though...

this is my first week on the job and I am learning so much

**Chad Sniffen:** Just FYI - to send a private text chat, click on the "private" tab at the top of the chat box and select the name of the person you want to send a message to

@Debi, we too live in a very small town of about 900 and sports comes first before everything and it gets old really fast. Our town doesn't like changes, so it is going very slow

Thanks for that, Debi. There's a lot of nuance to this work, fo rsure.

thank you Chad

Are you going to podt the other short video clip about the boy and his uncle?

great video!!

how do we avoid icky chivalry though while teaching boys to be 'stand-up citizens' to fight sexism? Do they teach how to really hear womens' and girls' voices? I'm guessing they are, but I just wanted to find out...

yes

yes

yes

Watched

yes

no

yes!

yes

no. school district.

yes

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yes!

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not in the ilinc, but online yes

Yes

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yes

yes

**Brian O'Connor:** yes

yes

yes

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lynn chamberlain yes

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yes

No

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1/2 of it

yes I was able to watch the video

Do you talk about same sex relationships and/or hazing or violence within the team?

Laurie Seaman you may want to repost your excellent question

**Chad Sniffen:** If you are having problems with the online audio, try calling into the audio portion of the web conference: Audio Details

Primary Dial-In: 888-205-6786

Alternate Dial-In: 913-312-1294

Passcode: 995 114 #

it's a real challenge, and goes to the training for facilitators, I would suggest

Does it work with a coed team or just boys - I have a hockey team with 3 girls ?!?

**David Lee:** All of these materials are available at <http://www.coachescorner.org/>

reposting: how do we avoid icky chivalry though while teaching boys to be 'stand-up citizens' to fight sexism? Do they teach how to really hear womens' and girls' voices? I'm guessing they are, but I just wanted to find out...

I actually lead my own program that serves (separately) both boys' and girls' teams, since we are ALL responsible for change...

great question!

Yes! It's very empowering for girls to hear their coaches addressing this!

I love the idea of involving girls!!

modeling how to have respectful dialogue across differences and tough topics

most of these victims will not stand up and state they are being abused...having coaches address would probably give them the courage to do so.

yay healthy masculinity! So important! It's really meaningful to address not 'how you treat women', but 'how you treat people', women included AS people...

What about coaches who may be current perpetrators? or who may have witness DV as a child?

\*witnessed

a real challenge for bringing these kinds of programs to scale ... do we have facilitators who are really on board, or will they end up reinforcing unhealthy masculinity?

Yeah , I have a lot of fantastic coaches in my program, but there are some I don't know as well, and I'm curious whether they really understand the topics we're dealing with... fortunately, though, they're not the teachers/facilitators, but I hope to have more access to all coaches in the future to get everyone on the same page with what is healthy masculinity/femininity?

I like this

I feel that training the coaches could be very beneficial in introducing student athletes into being leaders off the field as well as on the field, since they are seen as popular in the high school setting. Great idea

Just wondering how we can get a "coaches" training to be of interest

That's a great idea to start with: "Why do you think Jeremy is talking like this? What pressures might he be going through?" that's smart!

**David Lee:** What are potential indicators of change that you could expect from a program like CBIM?

Peers challenging peers

Increase in bystander intervention behavior

ownership

increase in bystander intervention

change in attitude

aggression minimized

Creating a culture of respect in the schools

reduced expulsion, suspension, in school complaints to guidance counseling

conversations that may not normally take place

change in school culture around accountability and safety

visible support and action

change in language

accountable bystanders

You really have to have strong buy-in from school administrators and athletic directors to fully access coaches

awareness of their own behavior

healthier relationships

parent speaking up

less "lockerroom vocabulary"

increased reporting of sexual harassment

shifts]

team building around the idea of respect

Change in attitude not only by the young men, but by some of the adult men as well.

Starting the dialogue

increased communication between brother and sister

talking to opponents

coaches being mentors instead of their athletes friends

school district actually taking complaints seriously

young men able to openly experience a fuller range of emotions

calling out disrespectful behavior

all of those are great!

Less violence on college campuses

impact on hiring process of coaches

a culture change

More compassion in the halls.

more disclosure of abuse

which of these are measurable?

athletics becoming about more than the "win"

Girls feeling more empowered to seek help.

How about athletes challenging their parents or other spectators on issues of sportsmanship?

A shift in peer response. Kids follow the cool kids. Sports athletes could lead a respectful culture.

less truancy

Increasing the amount of acceptance of talking about these issues in schools in general

young men speaking with parents more about what masculinity means

greater communication between coaches and athletes as well as more respect on campus

change in school policy ... require training for all coaches

decrease of bullying

men's groups collaborating with women's programs

Different reaction and more support for survivors by both the adults and the teens they work with

creating a place of safety for all kids and to ask for help, to show vulnerability.

parents wanting to get involved

more disclosures of family violence and abuse/assault

**David Lee:** <http://www.jahonline.org/article/S1054-139X%2812%2900052-3/abstract>

**David Lee:** article from Journal of Adolescent Health

**David Lee:** Social Norms Theory Alan Berkowitz <http://www.alanberkowitz.com/>

also Dr. Jeff Linkenbach at [www.mostofus.org](http://www.mostofus.org)

is there also any evaluation of the coaches' behavior change. i would imagine that being part of the program as a mentor is in itself transformative

Would the schools be linked to CBOs to deal with any interventions that may be needed once the school becomes a safe place for students to disclose?

**David Lee:** great question Ilene

thanks david, i love validation!

can you please speak up? thanks

Lili, I'll be addressing your question soon

there's a pre-and post season coaches survey that asked how often they talk to their athletes about these issues and how comfortable they feel bringing them up, as well as asking in the post season one which components of the program they used. I think it's on the coaches corner website.

Is this program given in Spanish too?

what's semi-urban?

**Brian O'Connor:** Evaluations tools found here:  
<http://coachescorner.org/filelibrary/EvaluationGuidelines.pdf>

**Brian O'Connor:** Unfortunately most materials for the CBIM domestic program are in English. However, there is an international playbook in partnership with UNICEF in Spanish, English, and French.

do i need more training than this discussion to implement this program with coaches? DO i need to do a special training program? I looked on the web site and it doesn't specifically say under the become a trainer information.

how might a coach adapt CBIM for a coed team? boys tend to be a lot less honest with their female peers around

Will there ever be a training offered in the future sponsored by Futures Without Violence? I think this would be great.

Are there any cross trainings opportunities?

**Brian O'Connor:** Yes, Ed! Let's talk.

Yes, Brian, I am very interested. I do have the ability to travel if that is necessary.

I feel this is a powerful tool that through the sports arena and coaches can have a profound impact, where it is necessary, especially since in my rural area, the majority of male role models, being the father, is not in the home while the youth is growing up, but a great many see sports as a way out of their present situations. Again. Great ideas.

why was there a decline in the likelihood of interventions by control athletes?

I'm interested in exploring options for DCI and CBIM in Portland OR.

**Brian O'Connor:** Yes, Erin ... we're working with a couple other Defending Childhood sites, too.

Note, \*exploring options\* bc we are in very early stages and not sure what's possible

maybe it just generally decreases with age

sonvi's question is interesting... I wonder if male bonding among teammates made for reinforcement of traditional norms?

Thanks, brian!

subtitles have stopped

**Brian O'Connor:** Erin - I'll follow up with you later.

No more captions

Ditto

Any of the visitors, have programs or know of a specific youth program that works with Latina Young Girls???

are we stuck on this one slide?

**David Lee:** We are still discussing this slide

I think she's still talking about it?

Yenny i just went to a conference on the safe dates prevention curriculum on teen dating violence you could look at that.

Thank you Ashley!

your welcome

**Chad Sniffen:** Sorry, our captioner appears to have lost her connection.

**Brian O'Connor:** I still see it.

It's back

**Chad Sniffen:** The captioning is back - if it is not appearing for you, turn the CC button off and on.

changing school cultures seems like great movement towards larger social norms change

Yenny, Girls Circle also has one in Spanish that has been culturally adapted. I private messaged you info

Will there be a power point to this presentation be available?

debi,

did you have relationships with the coaches prior to the training?

**Chad Sniffen:** <http://preventconnect.org/2012/03/web-conference-coaching-boys-into-men/>

oops, debi, can you share more info on girls circle please? thanks!

**Chad Sniffen:** The slides are on the website link I just shared.

Debi, did you email me the info?

has this study found by having this program that teen pregnancy is down?

Thank you

<http://www.girlscircle.com/>

thanks debi!

**Chad Sniffen:** If you have received a private message, the tabs at the top of the text chat box will show that.

oh! Okay got it!

what other types of on the ground preparations are needed to support the implementation of CBIM?

no

yes

yes

no

no

Yes

yes

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no

yes

No

no

No

yes

no

No

No

yes

Yes in Utah

no

not yet but we are in the process of bringing them into a violence prevention coalition

We are providing CBIM training next month for the first time

Yes

no

no

I know many local sexual assault center are trying to engage coaches and athletic directors

no

yes

yes

no

no

no

no

No.

no for me, but not sure what others in my city have done

support for the coaches

what other types of on the ground preparations are needed to support the implementation of CBIM?

We are beginning to approach coaches/community to implement CBIM

**David Lee:** How might you apply the lessons learned from CBIM for prevention efforts in your community?

very helpful to hear that men are more willing to talk with kids about healthy relationships rather than talking with other men - helpful frame

We are providing CBIM training next month for our coaches, we will be thinking more about follow up support we can provide for coaches

WE are planning a Coaches Clinic to introduce the coaches to the program and hopefully get them to buy in.

curriculum, training, SVPC collaboration, and BOE networking

That is awesome to hear Katie!

This was great. I perused all the resources also. I serve as a teacher and district sports coordinator in my community. I am also a DV advocate/volunteer for C.O.R.A. I will be running this by my principal and district office to pilot with my 8th graders next year

I need resources on conducting a CBIM evaluation

brian, are you in boston or sf?

we are still in the planning phase of our grant, can't implement until August; however, collaboration within the community has been WONDERFUL!!! and finding helpful organizations like CALCASA.

GREAT info!

so how do we get a training for our coaches to our campus?

**Brian O'Connor:** San Francisco

in New jersey?

thank you so much for the webinars!

Thank you!

thanks!

will you be sending out the slides and recording to participants?

thank you!

With my program director, Debi Reynolds. I hope to look at how to use this powerful tool. Thank you.

No.

Fantastic info! Thanks!

**Brian O'Connor:** Great Sarah ... would love to speak with you.

Thanks!

thanks, great job!

thank you

Thanks

Thank You.

Thanks!

Thank you!

**Brian O'Connor:** Thank you!!!

Enjoy this. Looking forward to speaking with Brian

i can send you our contact info, brian

Muchas Gracias!

Brian, will you be at the DCI Boston meeting?

This has been so awesome!! We are looking forward to learning more about CBIM and hopefully implementing soon!!! Thanks so much!!!

Thank you! Excellent training.

You can also download all CBIM materials for free at [www.CoachesCorner.org](http://www.CoachesCorner.org).

thanks

Anyone can feel free to contact me with individual questions if you like.  
mminnick@weaveinc.org

thank you

Thank you!

great information!

This is a great program.Thanks

**Brian O'Connor:** boconnor@futureswithoutviolence.org

thank you!

Thanks a million

thank you

thank you

Erin, yes, Brian will be at the DCI meeting next week. Thanks!

Will we be able to access a copy of the PPT presentation?

Thank you!

Thanks Joe--Can't reply privately, but appreciate your message about your new book!

**Chad Sniffen:** The slides are at <http://preventconnect.org/2012/03/web-conference-coaching-boys-into-men/>

Thanks!

Thank YOU!