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## **TEXT CHAT TRANSCRIPT**

## PEER LEARNING FORUM

Better Multi-Sector Partnerships: What does it really take to work across sectors to prevent sexual and domestic violence – Session 2

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- What phrases or ideas stuck with you from our first session?
- Victimization and perpetration
- "A good solution solves multiple problems"
- The discussion about the social determinants of health
- And structural determinants...
- I agree with what Rebecca said. It's something I have dealt with but this looked at it another way
- The way in which SV/IPV intersects with other topics and how important it is to collaborate with those folks!
- risk factors that are common in different types of violence
- Building trauma-informed systems, not just trauma-informed individuals
- Will you all be sharing some evaluation tools to measure the contextual pieces?
- Can you further define who you are including within "child maltreatment"

- Here's a resource for the CDC's three types of evidence that include contextual and experiential:
  - http://www.preventconnect.org/2013/04/understanding\_evidence/
- Thank you!
- Are child welfare practitioners working on prevention? Or, intervention?
- I guess that could differ state to state, community to community, right?
- The Center for Women and Families: www.thecenteronline.org
- I think it does differ, Rebecca.
- I guess they are a good list and all important!
- There's always the eenie meenie minie mo method. ③
- Office of Disability, Injury & Violence Prevention at the Iowa Department of Public Health: www.idph.state.ia.us/bh/injury\_violence.asp
- "When reality is personified, its hard to look the other way."
- It is so very, very important to check our assumptions as we interact with individuals and communities. I can make assumptions at both levels. Unless I ask about my assumptions, my assumptions become my reality. Too often assumptions don't live in reality.
- Shared vision is an important place to start. Visions and like philosophies
- Core values, too.
- Making core values visible on an ongoing basis is important, too. Core values in action and lifting them up as such.
- I think to answer this we need to bring the experience our victims go through to the partners. I know so many I work with just don't know enough about the dynamics of what our victims go through completely.
- Building a partnership between organizations is like building a healthy friendship in many ways.
- And, acknowledging partners is an investment, too.
- I love that crock pot analogy.
- Ditto, Sarah!
- We started with a visioning exercise as well.
- Marta it sounds like you let them define their level of involvement. That is a great way of building commitment.
- Very good idea!
- Getting back to the idea of smalls steps I wanted to give some examples two things we have done is work together on how to improve school climate (make schools safe for learning) and shared training opportunities related to working with media, policy, and environmental health work).
- Use risk and protective factor info and knowledge of social determinants to develop your own "big picture" focus. Then you can explain the links more clearly to others in language they understand.
- Yeah, this is huge! So many folks don't understand primary prevention. They
  think it is self-defense classes or measuring the length of skirts.
- What would be most helpful to explore during our last session?
- Just talking here about how to work across differences = the challenges of respecting areas of work – finding small overlaps and then know we will going

back and doing our respective areas of work, hopefully informed by what we have learned together. – how to do this well.