

Domestic Violence and Homeless Services Coalition (DVHSC)
Education & Training Workgroup

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Domestic Violence and Homeless Services Coalition (DVHSC) - Education & Training Workgroup?

A workgroup under the DVHSC comprised of regional experts who come together as thought partners to advise and develop training content that homeless and victim service providers need to ensure the alignment process is successful. The group focuses on identifying, developing, and delivering training that will increase knowledge and enhance skills to ensure survivors are safely connected to permanent housing.

Who is part of the Education & Training Workgroup?

Members are comprised of lived experience advocates and individuals working within the intersection of homelessness and victimization (DV, sexual assault/abuse, human trafficking, stalking, dating violence) that have an interest in collaborating in the Workgroup.

How can I contribute to the Education & Training Workgroup?

The workgroup has a few ways its members can contribute:

- Outreach & Engagement (e.g., identify potential presenters and spread the word about the coalition)
- Training Development (e.g., develop and create trainings)
- Peer Reviewer (e.g., offer feedback on developed training)
- Rotating Presenter (e.g., open to presenting trainings to community agencies)
- Networking (e.g. offering training assistance or requesting training assistance from the collaborative)

If you feel you can collaborate in another way not listed here, you are welcome to bring those ideas to the Workgroup!

How much time will I need to invest in the Education & Training Workgroup if I join?

Your continued involvement in this Workgroup would be greatly encouraged through monthly meeting attendance and participation or support with Workgroup events.

When are the monthly meetings?

Meetings are held virtually on the third Tuesdays of the month from 3pm to 4pm.

Do I need to join the Education & Training Workgroup to attend training sessions developed by the group?

No, you do not need to join the Workgroup to attend training sessions facilitated by the Workgroup.

How do I find out when the Education & Training Workgroup hosts training?

Training sessions will be advertised through the DVHSC and the Workgroup listerv.

How can I utilize the Workgroup for my agency's educational needs?

The Workgroup intends to compose a network of experts in a variety of fields that can support the work your agencies do. To get connected to these experts, you can attend meetings and contact the Workgroup co-leads.

Does the Education & Training Workgroup collaborate with people with lived experience?

Yes, we highly encourage the participation of and contributions from Lived Experience Advocates.

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How do I get added to or removed from the Education & Training Workgroup listserv and/or meeting invite?

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