

COLORADO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2023

Attendance:

Domestic Violence Board Members Present:

Andrea Bradbury, Honorable Bradley Burback, Erin Gazelka, Glory McDaniel, Jackie List, 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:

Jennifer Parker

Staff Present:

Adrienne Corday, Carolina Frane, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky, Jesse Hansen, Jill Trowbridge, Rachael Collie, Taylor Redding, Yuanting Zhang, Reggin Palmitesso-Martinez

Guests:

Kristina Carrera, Abby Hansen, Kaye Knaub, Russha Knauer, Maria Martinez, Joanne Rosa-Saenz, Marlene Schafer, Maddy Pontius, Jaime Horsfall

Introductions:

The meeting convened at 9:06 AM.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced herself as the Chair and welcomed the Board and guests. Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) noted that Taylor Redding will control the WebEx portion of the meeting. He asked all attendees to sign-in if they have not already done so, and noted that this meeting was being recorded.

Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) introduced Reggin Palmitesso-Martinez (ODVSOM Staff) as the new ODVSOM Application and Standards Compliance Coordinator. Reggin Palmitesso-Martinez (ODVSOM Staff) gave a brief outline of her background.

The in-person DVOMB members introduced themselves.

The online DVOMB members introduced themselves.

The DVOMB staff, and in-person guests introduced themselves.

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

There was a test vote using the updated voting program app. The session ID was 667364.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked if there was consensus to approve the January agenda.

There was consensus from the DVOMB members to approve the January agenda.

Review and vote on October and November 2022 Meeting Minutes:

It was noted that Michelle Hunter's name was spelled incorrectly on page 4 of the DVOMB October 2022 minutes. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) indicated that this will be corrected.

Andrea Bradbury (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the October 2022 meeting minutes as amended. Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no additional discussion on the motion. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) to prepare the vote.

The motion passed with 15 votes to approve the October 2022 meeting minutes, 0 votes to object, and 3 votes to abstain.

Responses	
Percent	Count
Yes	83.33%
No	0.0%
Abstain	16.67%
Totals	100%

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the November 2022 meeting minutes as presented. Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no additional discussion on the motion. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) to prepare the vote.

There was discussion that the October and November minutes files were named incorrectly. It was noted that those names will be corrected.

The motion passed with 14 votes to approve the November 2022 meeting minutes, 0 votes to object, and 4 votes to abstain.

Responses	
Percent	Count
Yes	77.78%
No	0.0%
Abstain	22.22%
Totals	100%

Announcements:

Staff Announcements:

Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) Announced:

- Jesse Hansen noted that the QI Newsletter has been sent, and he indicated that this newsletter includes the office reorganization information and a research corner piece submitted by Dr. Rachael Collie. He indicated that the link to this information will be included in the notice.
- Jesse Hansen noted that the new Data Collection Management System (PDMS) and ReliaTrax have launched on January 1, 2023.

- Technical Assistance Training for the PDMS and ReliaTrax will be held on January 27, 2023 – 12:00 – 1:00 pm.
- That the Domestic Violence Offender Management Board (DVOMB) is waiting for approval from the Governor's Office to publish the newly mandated DVOMB Annual Legislative report. He indicated that the results from Orange Circle Consulting project and the Colorado Domestic Violence Fatality Review 2023 Report will also be made available for the DVOMB and stakeholders. Jesse Hansen- <https://coag.gov/app/uploads/2023/01/2022-Domestic-Violence-Fatality-Review-Board-Report.pdf>
- Jesse Hansen indicated that the findings from the Legislative Report will be presented to the Joint Judiciary Committee on January 25, 2023 at 1:30 pm.
- Jesse Hansen indicated that January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month, and noted that the Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ) works closely with the Human Trafficking Council, and indicated that Maria Trujillo (DCJ Human Trafficking) would be the contact for more in-depth information.

Taylor Redding (ODVSOM Staff) Announced:

- Training Events:
 - 2022 Training which are listed on the DVOMB website: <https://dcj.colorado.gov/dcj-offices/domestic-violence-and-sex-offender-management/dvomb-training-technical-assistance/dvomb>
 - DVI01 – 1/30/23
 - DVI02 – 2/21/23
 - DVI03 – 3/20/23
- Conference Updates
 - Taylor Redding indicated that the theme for the 2023 ODVSOM Conference will be “Activating Intersectionality in Building Healthy Lives and Trusting Partnerships.”
 - Taylor Redding indicated that the Call for Papers notice has been distributed, and asked DVOMB members to reach out to her if they are interested in presenting at the conference
 - Taylor Redding noted that there will be a Pre-Conference day on July 11, 2023 that will include advanced training opportunities with 5-6 all-day trainings.
- Carolina Frane (ODVSOM Staff) announced:
 - That the provider applications are now included in the PDMS. She noted that OIT is now working on the Female and the LGBTQ+ specific offender population, and will work on the supervisor applications and the pre-sentence evaluator information.
 - That changes to application fees have been made and are now posted on the website.

Board Announcements

There were no Board announcements.

Public Announcements

There were no public announcements.

Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items.

The Prevalence of Traumatic Brain Injury in Domestic Violence Offenders – (Presentation): (Attachment #2) – Rrusha Knauer (State Court Administrator’s Office), Maddy Pontius (University of Denver), Jaime Horsfall (Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado)

Rrusha Knauer (Presenter) introduced herself and discussed that the presentation will include some of the latest research regarding Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) in Probation and jail-based behavioral sites across Colorado.

Maddy Pontius (University of Denver) introduced herself and indicated that she will present on research regarding TBI in domestic violence cases.

Jaime Horsfall (Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado) introduced herself and indicated that she will present on what TBI services are available to both providers and clients involved in the criminal justice system in Colorado.

Rrusha Knauer then presented the following information:

- What is a Brain Injury?
 - Acquired Brain Injury (lack of oxygen)
 - Traumatic Brain Injury (external blow to the head)
- Mild Traumatic Brain Injury
- Moderate Brain Injury
- Classification of Severity
- RNR and Brain Injury
- Overview of RNR
- Criminogenic Risk and Brain Injury
- Criminogenic Need and Brain Injury
- Brain Injuries in Criminal Justice Settings
- Mechanism of Injury
- Behavioral Health and Brain Injury
- Substance Abuse and Brain Injury
- Substance Misuse and Brain Injuries
- Brain Injury & PTSD
- TBI's can increase agitation depression irritability
 - TBI's can decrease self- regulation, planning.....
- This is information helps explain behaviors, but is not an excuse
- Re- Thinking Risk/Need/Responsivity
- Colorado Research
- Nationally – 8.5% TBI in general population
- Percent positive lifetime TBI history by Criminal Justice Entities in Colorado range from 18% - 96.7%
- What does this tell us?
- Colorado Probation Specific Findings
- Complicating Factors – invisible injury, mirror other behavioral health disorders, mirror criminogenic need

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Member) questioned the 96% TBI positive results in the female population in Adams County. Rrusha Knauer responded that the high number is due to physical assault.

It was asked if the Lifetime Screen evaluation is subjective or objective. Rrusha Knauer responded that this is a subjective evaluation that gathers data in multiple ways on those who have received a TBI sometime in their life. She indicated that a full neuro screening would help with treatment in domestic violence cases, and she noted that when a client enters into a medical setting after a domestic violence incident, they should be screened for TBI.

Maddy presented the following information:

- TBI & Domestic Violence Offenders – very little research has been done for this populations
- Colorado TBI Model
 - Screen for significant lifetime history of TBI
 - Screen for self-reported cognitive and emotional complaints
 - Promote self-advocacy and delivery strategies to address deficits
- Current Study – Purpose:

- to determine the prevalence of significant reported history of traumatic brain injury and cognitive complaints among domestic violence offenders
- Method
 - Data from 54 DV offenders were collected from DVOMB approved providers
 - Ohio State University Traumatic Brain Injury Identification Method – tool
 - MINDSOURCE Symptom Questionnaire
- Ohio State University Traumatic Brain Injury Identification Method – Interview Form
- MINDSOURCE Symptoms Questionnaire
 - Results – TBI Prevalence
 - 39% DV offenders reported a TBI (8.5% in the general population)
 - The most common mechanisms of brain injury were fights, motor vehicle accidents, and assault and abuse
 - The most common cognitive complaints were in the domains of emotional problems, physical and sensorimotor problems, memory concerns, and attention problems
 - Most MINDSOURCE ratings were not significantly correlated with age (p=.328)
- Colorado TBI Model (see above)
- Clinical Implications:
 - Safety Planning
 - Tips & Strategies
 - Suicidality (Self-direct violence Classification System Clinical Tool)
- Next Steps for Providers
 - Reach out to the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado (BIA) for additional support and training as Info@BIAColorado.org
 - TBI screening during intake (OSU TBI-ID and MINDSOURCE systems questionnaire)
 - Make modifications to compensate for cognitive and behavior complaints
- Resources

Jaime Horsfall (Presenter) presented the following MINDSOURCE Brain Injury Network information and the services provided through the BIA:

Jaime Horsfall indicated where the funding for MINDSOURCE comes from, and then discussed the services offered through the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado (BIA):

- Most services offered at no cost to the individual
- Resource Navigation
- Self-Management/Skill-Building Program
- Peer Mentorship Program
- Education Consultation
- Classes & Workshops
- Recreation & Social Program
- Clinical Services (Medicaid Clients)
- Statewide Support Groups
- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
- Education for Professionals
- Head Strong Newsletters available
- Client Referral information

Rrusha Knauer (Presenter) noted that professionals are trained before accessing the free resources, and indicated that there is an open-access group that is helpful. She indicated to reach out to Jesse Hansen and/or Carolina Frane for training.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) noted that any specific questions should be directed to these individuals off-line.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) mentioned that the DVOMB staff will send a 1-hour CEU certificate for all in attendance.

Board Discussion

None

Public Discussion

None

Nomination and Election of Chair

Michelle Hunter (DVOMB Vice-Chair) indicated that Stephanie Fritts' term has expired and asked if there are any questions or comments from the Board. She indicated that Stephanie Fritts is seeking re-election.

Public Discussion

None

Sandra Campanella (DVOMB Member) moved to nominate Stephanie Fritts as the DVOMB Chair for a 2nd term.

Karen Morgenthaler (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no additional discussion on the motion. Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) prepared the vote.

The motion passed with 17 votes to approve Stephanie Fritts as the DVOMB Chair for another term, 0 votes to object, and 0 votes to abstain.

Responses	
Percent	Count
Yes	100.0%
No	0.0%
Abstain	0.0%
Totals	100%

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that Michelle Hunter has agreed to stay on as the DVOMB Vice-Chair.

BREAK: 10:50 – 11:05 am

Revisions to the DVOMB Bylaws: (Attachment #3)

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) indicated that it is important for the DVOMB to review and update the Bylaws which outline its governance process. He noted that it has been about three years since the Bylaws were reviewed and updated. Jesse Hansen mentioned that the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee as well as the Application Review Committee have been working on the Bylaws revisions, along with making some simple house-keeping clean-up items, which were reviewed at the November 2022 DVOMB meeting.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) reviewed the revisions to the by-laws since the November DVOMB meeting based on feedback, and highlighted the following revisions:

- Application Review Committee – changes to the Membership to include a maximum of 4 DVOMB Members and 3 Non-Board member appointees
 - Changed Supervision Officer to Parole or Probation Representative
 - Revised the Voting Non-Board member appointees
 - Victim Representative or Law Enforcement Representative
 - Parole or Probation Representative
 - DVOMB listed Approved Provider Representative – Specific Offending Population Representative (if needed)

- DVOMB listed Approved Provider Representative – Evaluator Representative (if needed)

Board Discussion

No Board Discussion

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that the Bylaws require a two-thirds vote to pass.

Tally Zuckerman (DVOMB Member) moved to accept the revised Bylaw recommendations as presented. Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no additional discussion on the motion. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) to prepare the vote.

The motion passed with 17 votes to accept the policy recommendations as presented, 0 vote to object, and 0 vote to abstain.

Responses	
	Count
Yes	17
No	0
Abstain	0
Totals	17

LUNCH BREAK: 11:15 – 11:45

Revised Definition for Domestic Violence in the Standards

Erin Gazelka and Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Members) presented this item for the Board to review.

Erin Gazelka indicated that this item driven by the Standards Revision Committee and was brought before the Board back in August of 2022. She noted that there was support from the Board to create a working clinical definition of domestic violence, and mentioned that the purpose of this definition was to expand upon the legal definition as a way of addressing the broad non-violent forms of abuse that come with power and control dynamics. Erin and Jeanette with review the document and highlight specific points of interest, including:

- She reviewed the Preamble and framed the need of a clinical working definition
- The intersecting aspects of abuse and how the document was formatted
- Why specific examples were not used in many of these definitions
- Cover the main categories used to compartmentalize the different types of abuse
- And indicate that these apply to the entirety of the Standards and not just Section 5.0.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) indicated that work was started on the in January/February 2022. He pointed out that the violent and non-violent components of the Domestic Violence definition was very broad. He indicated the need to clarify the definition more for the field, and noted that this is an initial review and time for discussion.

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) indicated that there has been a lot of work and discussion in preparing this document and the second half of the document:

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) asked for discussion of the preamble, and the following discussion ensued:

- Karen Morgenthaler (DVOMB Member) expressed agreement with the use of the word “emerging” or established pattern in the preamble.
- Sandie Campanella (DVOMB Member) expressed appreciation of the use of the legal definition along with the non-criminal “patterns” of violence which are indicative of an unhealthy relationship.
- Rachael Collie (ODVSOM Staff) asked about considering those clients whose behaviors unintentionally cause interpersonal harm. Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) responded yes, and that the Committee took that into consideration and the unintentionality.
- Yuanting Zhang (ODVSOM Staff) asked if some of the language could be simplified further to be clearer and more understandable for those whose English is a second language. Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) responded that this language was primarily designed for treatment providers, who would understand the terminology and further translate that with their clients.

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) reviewed the following behaviors and their definitions that are now listed in the various categories:

Dominance Category:

- Coercive Control
- Cultural Abuse
- Emotional Abuse
- Financial Abuse
- Psychological Abuse
- Verbal Abuse
- Collateral harm or abuse
- Reproductive Abuse

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) noted that the language in the reproductive abuse category is gender neutral. Sandra Campanella (DVOMB Member) reiterated that reproductive abuse is important to address.

Dependence Category:

- Immigration or Legal Status Abuse
- Isolation and Social Abuse

Dissonance Category:

- Substance Abuse
- Intellectual Abuse
- Gaslighting
- Spiritual Abuse

Vengeance Category:

- Animal Abuse
- Administrative Abuse through Systems
- Using children
- Destruction of Property

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) highlighted that animal abuse has been a neglected behavior factor. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) appreciated including the use of children as a behavior factor.

Surveillance Category:

- Monitoring Abuse
- Stalking (not the legal definition)
- Technology-Facilitated abuse

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) pointed out how quickly monitoring abuse can escalate to stalking behavior.

Karen Morgenthaler (DVOMB Member) asked if the legal definition of Stalking would be included in this document. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) responded to keep the definition broader and to not include the legal definition. Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) noted that the group looked at the various agency definitions of stalking, and noted that they leaned more toward the provider definition rather than the legal definition.

Tally Zuckerman (DVOMB Member) noted that this definition is very different from the legal definition, and asked that the stalking definition include the legal definition either in the Surveillance category or in the preamble. Jesse Hansen (ODVSOM Staff) responded that the legal definition or the statutory definition could be footnoted in the document. Karen Morgenthaler and Jessica Fann (DVOMB Members) agreed that having this definition available would be helpful for providers.

Andrea Bradbury (DVOMB Member) asked if there is way to help clients know the difference between a relationship and actual stalking which causes distress.

Tally Zuckerman (DVOMB Member) asked for clarification of in what context would this definition be mentioned to a client.

Sandra Campanella (DVOMB Member) noted regarding Monitoring Abuse and that a victim proves their location at all times which can be an abuser's coercive tactic, that can be detrimental to the victim's privacy. Jesse Hansen noted that this could be included in the Monitoring Abuse definition using language directed more toward the offender.

Jessica Fann (DVOMB Member) suggested the use of this document as a tool so that the victim can recognize and highlight the various aspects of abuse.

Violence Category:

- Physical Abuse
- Strangulation
- Sexual Abuse

Tally Zuckerman (DVOMB Member) suggesting changing the word "using" to "Use of."

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) mentioned that word "weapon" was changed to "object" so that it encompasses more types. Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) noted that the word "object" is too vague. Jesse Hansen responded that the word "weapon" could be in parentheses. Tally Zuckerman and Stephanie Fritts agreed to that change.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) indicated that this document will be brought back in February for a vote, and asked all to take this document to their stakeholders for feedback and in anticipation of the vote.

Jesse Hansen (DVOMB Staff) noted that more research citations will be added before the February vote. Jesse Hansen indicated that this document will live in Section 1 and Appendix C of the DVOMB Standards.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:26 pm

Respectfully submitted by,

APPROVED

Individual Voting Results

Active Participants	Total Participants				
18	18				
Last Name	First Name	Motion 1	Motion 2	Motion 3	Motion 4
Alderete	Raechel	1	1	1	1
Arredondo	Yolanda	3	1	1	1
Barich	Jeanette	1	3	1	1
Bradbury	Andrea	1	3	1	1
Buckley	Nil	3	3	1	1
Burback	Bradley	1	1	1	1
Campanella	Sandra	1	1	1	1
Collins	Nicole	1	1	1	1
Fann	Jessica	1	1	1	1
Fritts	Stephanie	1	1	1	1
Gazelka	Erin	1	1	1	1
Griffith	Lori	1	1	1	1
Hunter	Michelle	1	1	1	1
List	Jackie	1	1	NP	NP
Martinez	Tracey	3	1	1	1
McDaniel	Glory	1	1	1	1
Morgenthaler	Karen	1	1	1	1
Parker	Jennifer	NP	NP	NP	NP
Zuckerman	Tally	1	3	1	1

Motion 1: Andrea Bradbury moved to approve the October Minutes as amended.
Jessica Fann 2nd the motion.

Motion 2: Jessica Fann moved to approve the November Minutes as presented.
Erin Gazelka 2nd the motion.

Motion 3: Sandra Campanella moved to nominate Stephanie Fritts as the DVOMB Chair for a 2nd term.
Karen Morgenthaler 2nd the motion.

Motion 4: Tally Zuckerman moved to accept the revised Bylaw revisions as presented.
Jessica Fann 2nd the motion.

Voting Legend

1 = Yes

2 = No

3 = Abstain

NP = Not Present at the Time of Vote