## **CSSRC** Resource Review

**Review Date**: 7/19/13

Name/Title: Dating Matters: Understanding Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Dating Matters:

Strategies to Promote Healthy Teen Relationships

Author: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Liz Claiborne

Media Type: (Book, CD, Flyer, Poster, Website, etc) campaign including website, research study, flyers,

and training materials

Publisher/Supplier: CDC

**Publication Date:** August 2010

Re-order Source: CDC initiative website -

http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/datingmatters/index.html

online training for educators - http://vetoviolence.cdc.gov/datingmatters/index.html

Language: English

## **Usefulness Rating:**

- 1. Excellent XX
- 2. Good
- 3. Fair
- 4. Poor
- 5. Rated by: (CSSRC staff member) Alice
- 6. Comments:
  - a. CDC has created a pilot program to prevent dating violence, particularly among youth in economically disadvantaged urban environments. The program is currently being tested in five urban areas throughout the country.
  - b. To accompany and prepare for launch of campaign materials at the conclusion of the trial period in 2015, the Dating Matters: Understanding Teen Dating Violence Prevention online training was created. The training is designed to help educators, youth-serving organizations, and others working with teens understand the risk factors and warning signs associated with teen dating violence.
  - c. Educators are advised to prepare for dating violence before it occurs by familiarizing themselves with school and district policies and the appropriate personnel to whom they can refer students. There are suggestions for responding to witnessing or learning about acts of dating violence, as well as for modeling safe and appropriate relationship behavior. It is emphasized that teachers are not responsible for fixing anything instead they can teach youth about healthy relationships and put students in need of



- support in contact with the appropriate resources, such as the school counselor or law enforcement.
- d. The interactive training is available at no cost online and in hard copy format on a CD, which can be ordered from CDC.
- e. Continuing education credit is available for completing the online training.
- f. Training takes about one hour to complete.

Category: (Prevention, Preparedness, Response, Recovery, Promotional Item) Prevention, Response

Topic: (Bullying, Substance Abuse, Threat Assessment, etc) Teen Dating Violence

**Audience**: (Administrators, Counselors/Psychologists/Social Workers, Emergency Responders, Health Professionals/Nurses, Law Enforcement/SROs/Security, Parents, Teachers, Other School Personnel) Administrators, Counselors/Psychologists/Social Workers, Health Professionals/Nurses, SROs/Security, Teachers

**Intended Age Group**: (pre-K, elementary, middle, high, higher education) middle and high school; the curriculum being tested in the research study is aimed at ages 11-14

Cost: 0

**Additional Comments**: Users are recommended to complete the training in one sitting, as the training does not save users' progress and opens from the beginning every time.

