DVSCP Services

Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland & Perry Counties offers the following free and confidential services:

- 24-hour hotline
- 30-day emergency shelter
- Legal and medical advocacy and accompaniments
- Protection From Abuse Orders (PFA)
- Adult empowerment counseling
- · Child supportive counseling
- Adult support groups
- Community educational and prevention programming available for schools, organizations, and businesses
- Information and referrals

Contact Us

Phone: 717-258-4806 **Hotline:** 1-800-852-2102

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Children's Counseling

Mission: DVSCP supports the empowerment of those who are experiencing domestic violence through the provision of direct services and the promotion of nonviolence through social and systems change.



For a child, domestic violence lasts a LIFETIME.

The official registration and financial information of Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland & Perry Counties may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania 1 (800) 732-0999.

Registration does not imply endorsement.







Who Do We Serve?

With parental consent, DVSCP provides counseling services to children, preteens, and teenage boys and girls 5 – 18 years old in Cumberland and Perry Counties. Counseling may help children who have:

- Witnessed violence in the home (past or present);
- Been exposed to violence in another home; and/or
- Been the victim of a violent teen dating relationship.

Your words have **POWER**, use them wisely.

Getting Started

Get help for your child by calling DVSCP at 1 (800) 852 -2102 or (717) 258-4806, Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., to schedule an appointment with the agency's Child Counselor/Advocate.

Children Under the Age of 14

At the first session, the parent will meet with the Child Counselor/Advocate to discuss the issues and/or goals for his/her child. This also provides the child with an opportunity to get to know the counselor. Future sessions will be private appointments between the child and the counselor.

Teens Ages 14-18

At the first session, the parent will meet with the Child Counselor/Advocate to discuss issues and/or goals for his/her child. The teen then has the option to schedule future appointments on his/her own. Open communication between parent and child is always stressed.



Goals of Counseling

- Identify safe and supportive people
- Explore personal choices
- Explore feelings
- Build self-esteem
- Provide age-appropriate information
- Help parents understand child's perspective/reactions
- Develop a safety plan when necessary



Policy on Confidentiality

Confidentiality is critical to the services the agency offers. All appointments are private, once the initial session has taken place. The counselor will inform the parent about any coping strategies that the child might use. The agency supports the child's right to disclose at his/her own pace. If a reportable incident has occurred (child abuse, sexual abuse, homicide or suicide), the parent will be notified and the referral will be made to the appropriate agency.