
Does your spouse, significant other or caregiver...

...Put you down, call you names, or make hurtful remarks about your disability?

...Try to keep you from getting or keeping a job or withhold money needed for treatment, appliances or batteries?

...Make you do things against your will, treat you as a sex object or use your disability to take sexual advantage of you?

...Belittle you and your disability to your children, call you an unfit mother or tell you that you would never get custody of your children because of your disability?

...Threaten to have you committed to a care facility?

...Treat you like a servant, make all the "big" decisions?

...Use looks, actions, gestures and/or a loud voice to intimidate you?

...Break assistive devices, throw out canes, crutches, hearing aids, etc.?

...Control what you do, who you see and talk to, where you go?

If you can answer yes to one or more of these questions, you have experienced abuse in your relationship. You are not to blame!

Domestic violence is a pattern of behaviors an individual uses to control another in a relationship. This may include acts of physical, emotional, economic and psychological abuse.

Individuals with disabilities may be especially vulnerable to abuse from family members and caregivers because of their reliance upon them for assistance.

IF YOU ARE A VICTIM, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUFFER IN SILENCE!

You Have Choices!

♦ ***You can get help.***

Listed on this brochure are phone numbers you can call for information and assistance.

♦ ***You can leave.***

Your local domestic violence program may be able to provide shelter, food, clothing and referrals other other resources in your community. Or you may be more comfortable staying with supportive family or friends.

♦ ***You can take legal action.***

Domestic violence is against the law. You can call the police. You may qualify for an Order of Protection which would allow you to stay in your home. Call the domestic violence program listed on the back of this brochure for more information about Orders of Protection in your area.

♦ ***You can stay.***

If your decision is to stay, your local domestic violence program can help you develop a plan to make it safer for you. They are also there for you when you need someone to talk to.

**OTHER RESOURCES FOR
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
IN NEVADA:**

**Governor's Committee
on Employment of People
with Disabilities**

688-1111 (V/TTY)

CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:

**For assistance seeking/receiving
services from Nevada's
rehabilitation service providers**

688-1440 (V/TTY)

-or-

1-800-633-9879 (V/TTY)

**NATIONAL HOTLINE
1-800-787-3224 (TDD)**

If you need help, please call:

**NATIONAL DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE HOTLINE**

1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

1-800-787-3224 (TDD)

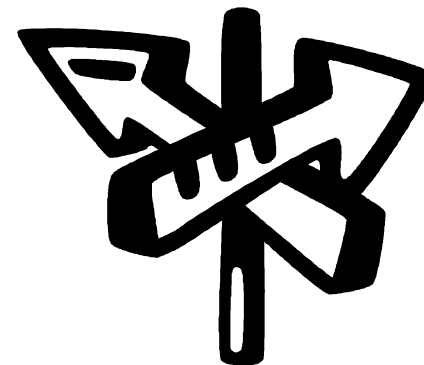
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**STATEWIDE DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE HOTLINE**

1-800-500-1556

**The Phone Number for the
Domestic Violence Program
in your area is:**

DUAL DILEMMA:



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