

Principle 9: Prevention



Services participate in activities that tackle the drivers of DFV and promote perpetrator accountability for violence prevention.

[Our Watch](#) is the national framework for Primary Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence

[Change the Story](#)

Change The Story is Australia's national framework for the primary prevention of DFV against women and their children. Every state and territory, as well as the Commonwealth Government, is a member of Our Watch and has signed on to this framework. Change The Story was updated in November 2021

[Changing the Picture](#)

Changing the Picture is a framework for the prevention of DFV against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children

[Prevention in Action](#)

Access practical tools and information to help you promote gender equality and prevent violence against women.

[Intersectionality Matters: A guide to engaging immigrant and refugee communities to prevent violence against women](#)

Multicultural Women's Health guide aims to help organisations to develop DFV prevention initiatives that are effective in including and engaging immigrant and refugee communities. It outlines key elements for DFV prevention work with these communities, such as avoiding simplistic definitions of 'culture' and ensuring that the communities concerned have leadership and ownership at all stages of the work.

[Inclusive Planning Guidelines for the Prevention of Violence Against Women With Disabilities](#)

Women with Disabilities Victoria guidelines aim to resource violence prevention workers to work in partnership with disability and other community organisations to prevent DFV against women with disability. They include six principles, based on a literature review and extensive consultation, which were formulated to be inclusive, practical and evidence-based.

[Pride in Prevention: A guide to primary prevention of family violence experienced by LGBTIQ communities](#)

Rainbow Health Victoria's guide developed to inform primary prevention work aimed at preventing DFV in LGBTIQ+ communities.

COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT

If your organisation would like support in developing and implementing primary prevention activities, you may like to join the NSW Collaboration for the Primary Prevention of Gender-Based Violence. This brings together DFV services, peak bodies, local councils, academics and the NSW Government to promote collaboration in primary prevention. To join the group, email projects@dvnsw.org.au

VICTORIAN RESOURCES

The Victorian Government funds DFV primary prevention and early intervention activities to a far greater level than the level of funding available in NSW (in NSW, funding is largely concentrated on responding to DFV after it occurs, rather than on primary prevention and early intervention initiatives). For this reason, there are many, useful prevention resources coming out of Victoria.

[Primary Prevention training](#)

Training with Safe and Equal

[Gender Equity Victoria](#)

- Gender Equity Victoria is Victoria's peak body for gender equity, women's health and the prevention of violence against women. Its webpage features many useful practice resources for gender equity and DFV prevention work.

[Action to Prevent Violence Against Women](#)

- This is a resource hub established by Gender Equity Victoria to house resources specifically related to DFV prevention activities.

[Respect Victoria](#)

- Respect Victoria is an independent, statutory authority in Victoria dedicated to the primary prevention of DFV. Its webpage includes the latest research and data on DFV primary prevention to promote evidence-informed primary prevention activities.

[Women's Health Victoria](#)

- Women's Health Victoria has several areas of focus, one of which is the prevention of violence against women. This webpage outlines its work in DFV prevention and includes links to relevant publications and resources.

[Partners in Prevention](#)

- Partners in Prevention support prevention practitioners to hone their practice skills and strengthen their knowledge of the evidence base. Its webpage hosts a useful suite of resources related to respectful relationships education. It also features recordings of webinars related to DFV primary prevention.

[Free From Violence: Victoria's Strategy to Prevent Family Violence](#)

- Free From Violence is the Victorian Government's strategy to prevent DFV and all forms of violence against women. It is a comprehensive strategy that was put into place following the Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence, which concluded in 2015.
- [Free From Violence Second Action Plan](#)

[Preventing Family Violence and Violence Against Women Capability Framework](#)

- This capability framework outlines the foundational skill sets the Victorian Government considers that practitioners require to deliver prevention of violence against women initiatives.