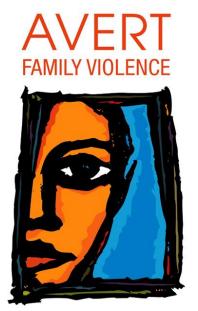
Assessment Book

Multidisciplinary Family
Violence Intensive
Skills

Five-Day Program



Collaborative Responses in the Family Law System



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ASSESSMENT BOOKLET

To accompany the AVERT Five Day Training Program: Multidisciplinary Family Violence Intensive Skills

Formal Assessment for National Competencies This training program is aligned to the following two competencies within the Australian Qualifications Framework: ☐ CHCDFV811B – Respond to domestic and family domestic violence in family work ☐ CHCDISP804B – Create an environment that supports the safety of vulnerable parties in dispute resolution. Throughout the program, specific learning tasks are facilitated that support the development and application of skills and knowledge for responding effectively to family violence. Participants may elect to have these learning tasks formally assessed by a qualified assessor. Those who successfully complete all assessment tasks will be awarded a Statement of Attainment for the above-named competency units, aligned to one of the following qualifications: ☐ CHC51108 Diploma of Children's Contact Services Work ☐ CHC80208 Vocational Graduate Diploma of Relationship Counselling ☐ CHC80308 Vocational Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution In order for a trainer to offer this formal assessment, the following requirements must be fulfilled: ☐ Participants must be enrolled with a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) scoped to deliver any of the above-named qualifications. A list of the tasks in this program that can be formally assessed is located at the end of this document. These are clearly indicated within the Multidisciplinary Family Violence Intensive Skills Five Day Program by the following symbol:

Please ensure that all tasks from participants enrolled for assessment are handed up

to the relevant assessor.



Overview of Assessment Tasks

Assessment Tasks Days One - Four

Task 1

Dimensions and Dynamics of Family Violence Quiz

Participants will be required to select answers in a multiple choice quiz. Participants seeking to have this quiz formally assessed must provide correct answers to a minimum of 24 out of 26 questions.

Participants scoring less than 24 will be required to provide correct answers to the questions answered incorrectly until the minimum number of correct answers is met.

Task 2

Analyse the Dynamics of Family Violence

Using a testimonial provided during the training prepare a written response to the family violence dynamics presented in the testimonial. (1,000 word maximum)

Task 3

Impact of Family Violence on Children

Provide a detailed list of resources and referrals and how these can be utilised in your work in response to the issues for children revealed in the *Impact of Family Violence on Children* PowerPoint and follow up discussion.

Task 4

Working with Diversity

Provide a detailed written analysis of the issues presented in *Jaber and Zahra's Story* and describe your individual professional and organisational response to these issues.

Task 5

Risk Assessment and Safety Planning

Based upon *Tony and Jessica's Story*, complete the risk assessment form and from this information detail the approach you would use to establish a safety plan with Jessica.





Engaging and Working with Users of Violence

Within your work role, provided a detailed outline of the strategies you would use to engage a user of violence that promotes accountability and upholds the safety, well being and welfare of vulnerable parties.

Task 7

Parenting Arrangements

Considering any of the case studies presented (*Tony and Jessica; Gary and Bronwyn; Jaber and Zahra*) describe the implications for parenting arrangements in the scenario and how you would respond to the dilemmas raised.

Task 8

Multidisciplinary Work, Collaboration and Referral

Present a detailed description or portrayal of the collaborative relationships your organisation has relating to its work in responding to family violence. This description or portrayal must also include clear referral pathways and procedures that encourage multidisciplinary work.



Assessment Tasks Day Five

Task 9

Risk Assessment (role play/simulation)

This role play simulation gathers evidence of your ability to conduct a screening and risk assessment process for a client accessing your service.

You will be required to take on the role of a worker conducting a risk assessment process with a client accessing your service. The client situation can be developed by you or a client case study provided.

Conduct the risk assessment while being observed by an assessor.

Task 10

Create a Safety Plan (role play /simulation)

Using the risk assessment information you have gathered in **Task 9** engage the client in a safety planning process.

You will be required to engage the client in the safety planning process while being observed by an assessor.

Task 11

Establish Ground Rules - for a couple or individual accessing your services where violence has been alleged (role play/simulation)

You will be required to undertake a role play/simulation with a couple or individual, where violence has been alleged, to establish ground rules for the couple when using or accessing your services, while being observed by an assessor.

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This	s role play can be applied to couples accessing:
	Dispute Resolution
	Relationship Counselling
	Children's Contact Services.

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Dimensions and dynamics of family violence quiz

Participants will be required to select answers in a multiple choice quiz.					
Purpose:					
The purpose of this task is to gather evidence of your understanding of the nature, extent and dynamics of family violence within the Australian context.					
Process:					
☐ The quiz will be provided to you during the training program					
☐ Participants seeking to have this quiz formally assessed must provide their completed quiz to the trainer assessor for checking					
☐ Participants must provide correct answers to a minimum of 24 out of 26 questions					
Participants scoring less than 24 out of 26 questions will be required to provide correct answers to the questions answered incorrectly until the minimum requirement is met.					
Assessment result:					
Score %					
☐ Competence Achieved ☐ Further Evidence Required Select only one					
If Further Evidence Required is selected describe in detail the process undertaken to support the learner to achieve competence					
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Analyse the dynamics of family violence

Purpose:

The purpose of this task is to gather evidence of your understanding of the dynamics of family violence and to analyse its presentation.

Process:

During the classroom program watch the testimonial presented from DVD 5.

Using the testimonial prepare a written document that clearly identifies the family violence presented in the testimonial (1,000 word maximum).

Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Written response clearly identifies:	
Coercion and threats, for example:	
☐ making and/or carrying out threats to do something to hurt others	
☐ threatening to leave your partner, to commit suicide, to report others to welfare or other external authorities	
☐ making your partner drop charges	
☐ making your partner do illegal things	
Written response clearly identifies:	
Intimidation, for example making others afraid by using:	
☐ looks, actions, gestures	
☐ smashing things	
☐ destroying others' property	

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Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
□ abusing pets□ displaying weapons (such as knives).	
Written response clearly identifies:	
Economic abuse, for example:□ preventing others from getting or keeping a job□ making others ask for money	
☐ giving others an allowance	
☐ taking others' money	
☐ not letting family others know about or have access to family income.	
Written response clearly identifies:	
Emotional abuse, for example: □ putting others down	
☐ making others feel bad about themselves	
☐ calling others names	
☐ making others think they're crazy	
☐ playing mind-games	
☐ humiliating others	
☐ making others feel guilty.	





Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Written response clearly identifies:	
Gender privilege and social privilege, for example:	
☐ treating others like servants	
☐ making all the big decisions	
☐ acting like the 'owner' of others	
☐ assuming 'authority' from social standing	
☐ stereotypes	
☐ being the one to define male and female roles, or other social or familial roles.	
Written response clearly identifies:	
Isolation, for example:	
☐ controlling what others do, who they see and talk to, what they read, where they go	
☐ limiting others' outside involvement	
using jealousy or envy to justify actions.	
Written response clearly identifies:	
Children, for example: ☐ making others feel guilty about the children	
using the children to relay messages	
☐ using visitation to harass others	
threatening to take the children away.	

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Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Written response clearly identifies:	
Minimising, denying and blaming, for example:	
☐ Making light of abuse and not taking others' concerns about it seriously	
☐ Saying the abuse didn't happen	
☐ Shifting responsibility for abusive behaviour	
☐ Saying others caused it.	
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If Further Evidence Required is set the learner to achieve competence	elected describe in detail the process undertaken to support e
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Develop a detailed list of resources, referrals, processes and protocols to support children living with and/or exposed to family violence

Purpose:

The purpose of this task is to gather evidence of your ability to identify age appropriate referral and support agencies and services and processes and protocols suitable for working with children exposed to or living with family violence.

Process:

View and review either the *Impact of Family Violence on Children* PowerPoint or *Impact on Children Expert Discussion* by Dr Jennifer McIntosh and Professor Lawrence Moloney on DVD 3.

Develop a detailed list of age appropriate referral and support services and agencies and processes and protocols that can be made available to respond to the specific issues for children.

Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Specific age range is defined	
Services include:	
☐ Domestic violence services	
☐ Specialist family violence workers	
☐ Lawyers	
☐ Counsellors	
☐ Mental health practitioners	
☐ Community welfare agencies	
☐ Child support	
☐ Centrelink	
☐ Child protection agencies	
☐ Children's contact services	
☐ Family relationship centres	



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Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
☐ Parent educators	
☐ Behaviour change groups	
Protocols:	
☐ Documented questionnaires	
☐ Defined questions	
☐ Measures sand rating scales	
☐ Child focussed approach	
Processes:	
☐ Age appropriate methods of relating to and eliciting perceptions, information and responses from children	
Task 3 - Assessment Decision ☐ Competence Achieved Select only one	☐ Further Evidence Required
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Provide a detailed written analysis of professional and organisational responses to working with CALD communities in the context of family violence

Purpose:

The purpose of this task is to gather evidence of your ability to identify and articulate responses suitable for working with culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities within the context of family violence.

Process:

View *Jaber and Zahra's Story* and the Professional Commentary by *Mark Murdoch, Judy Saba* and *Dina Lioumis* related to this scenario on DVD 2.

Develop and detail professional and organisational responses to working with CALD communities.

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Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Professional responses include:	
☐ Being part of a network of services	
☐ Mentoring other staff within and outside of own agency	
☐ Undertaking education and training	
☐ Being aware of barriers	
☐ Seeking assistance and recognising limitations of own role	
☐ Building knowledge and understanding of cultural issues that arise when working with diverse communities	
☐ Establishing and maintaining community links.	







Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Organisational responses include:	
☐ Staff and management reflect cultural diversity of community	
☐ Cultural awareness and training provided to staff	
☐ Training in the use of interpreters and interpreter services provided	
☐ Networks established with ethno-specific services	
☐ Information available in different languages	
☐ Links maintained with culturally appropriate services	
☐ Supporting clients to access community resources and government benefits	
☐ Ensuring services are relevant to clients and respect cultural/religious beliefs.	



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Task 4 - Assessment Decision	
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Describe and justify the approach you would implement to establish a safety plan

Purpose:

The purpose of this assessment is to gather evidence of your ability to detail and describe an approach to safety planning based upon the identification and assessment of risk to vulnerable parties.

Process:

View Tony and Jessica's Story on DVD 2.

Complete the risk assessment form to assess risk factors for Jessica.

Based upon the risk assessment detail the approach you would implement to safety plan with Jessica.

Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Risk factors for Jessica are identified including:	
☐ Tony's obsession with Jessica	
☐ Length of time process has taken	
☐ Tony's isolation	
☐ Tony's stalking and escalation of behaviours	
☐ Jessica is worn down and "over it".	
Safety planning approach is described in detail and includes:	
☐ Documented safety strategies	
☐ Jessica's protective factors are identified	
☐ Procedures support Jessica to attend safely	
☐ Organisational arrangements support and promote safety	
☐ Role model non-violent communication and interaction	

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Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
☐ Ensure networks and referral services are aligned and responsive to Jessica's needs.	
Task 5 - Assessment Decision	
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Task 6

Detail the strategies and process you would use to engage a user of violence

Purpose:

The purpose of this assessment is to gather evidence of your ability to identify strategies and processes to engage users of violence and in particular practices that promote accountability and encourage behaviour change and avoid collusion.

Process:

View Tony and Jessica's Story on DVD 2.

Based upon the information within this story identify the particular practices you would implement to engage the user of violence.

Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Practices identified ensure:	
☐ Accountability for violent behaviour or tactics is located with user of violence	
☐ Violent behaviour is named and the experience of people subjected to violence is reviewed	
☐ Relevant legal information is explained	
☐ Impact of violence on children is understood	
☐ Respectful interaction	
☐ Honesty	
☐ Concern for the safety of children	
☐ Transparency of worker interaction and actions with:	
Users of violence	
■ People experiencing violence	
Promotion of behaviour change.	



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Task 6 - Assessment Decision	
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Task 7

Identify responses to dilemmas associated with parenting arrangements

Purpose:

The purpose of this assessment is to gather evidence of your ability to identify appropriate responses to parenting arrangement dilemmas based upon your understanding of family violence dynamics and family, couple and child dynamics.

Process:

View any of the scenarios on DVD 2: *Tony and Jessica's Story; Gary and Bronwyn's Story;* or *Jaber and Zahra's Story*.

Identify dilemmas and describe an appropriate response.

Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
☐ Practitioner dilemmas are identified	
☐ Responses to dilemmas take into account:	
Impact of family violence on children	
Use of child focussed techniques	
Individual right to safety	
Quality parenting	
■ "Shared Care"	
■ Child development	
Ethical standards	
Collaborative approaches and alliances.	



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Develop a detailed description or portrayal of your professional and organisational collaborative relationships in response to clients and families where family violence is identified

Purpose:

The purpose of this task is to gather evidence of your understanding of multidisciplinary work through the clear identification of appropriate multidisciplinary referral and support points both professionally and organisationally.

Process:

View the Expert Discussion Panel *Joint Family Violence Committee* (Family Court and the Federal Magistrates Court) on DVD 4.

Dev	Develop a detailed description or portrayal of:		
	your professional and organisational place in the system responding to family violence		
	pathways to and from other services or professionals		
	how these pathways are to be coordinated and facilitated for clients		
	how information will be shared.		

Assessment checklist	Assessor comments
Description or portrayal of professional and organisational collaborative responses includes:	
professional and organisational place within the system	
☐ clearly identified pathways	
☐ services and workers across occupational groups	
☐ information to be shared	
co-ordination and facilitation of pathways.	





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Task 8 - Assessment Decision	
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Assessment Day Tasks

Task 9

Conduct a risk assessment (role play/simulation)

Purpose:

The purpose of this assessment is to gather evidence of your skills and knowledge to implement a risk assessment process.

Pro	ocess:
	You will be conducting a risk assessment in a role play simulation as the worker
	Fellow program participants will role play the client
	These roles will be alternated during the assessment day
	The risk assessment tool will be provided to you
	The role play simulation can be based upon a scenario provided by the facilitator, or you may elect to develop your own
	Prior to the role play you will have time to brief the client and establish the environment and become familiar with the risk assessment tool
	Conduct the risk assessment role play simulation in the classroom
	Your role play simulation will be observed by an assessor who will use the assessment task checklist below
	You will be provided with immediate feedback from the assessor on your performance.





Role play simulation checklist	Assessor comments
☐ Questioning and active listening techniques are applied to establish and maintain an effective relationship with the client	
☐ Knowledge of the social, historical, political and economic context of domestic and family violence is applied within the context of counselling	
☐ Assessment skills are utilised to identify power relations and controlling behaviour	
☐ Violence identified is named and its impact is explored	
☐ Accountability for violence is located with the user of violence	
☐ Explanations and excuses for the use of violence are appropriately challenged	
☐ Strategies implemented to respond to identified violence take into account the physical and emotional safety of client	
☐ The client is informed about legal frameworks and processes relating to domestic and family violence	
☐ Any potential volatility is responded to and calmed.	





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Task 9 - Assessment Decision		
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Create a safety plan

Purpose:

The purpose of this assessment is to gather evidence of your ability to clearly identify risk as described by a client during intake and to engage this client in safety planning.

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Pro	ocess:
	Complete the risk assessment activity in Task 9
	From the information gathered in this task clearly identify the risk factors for the client
	In a role play simulation engage your client in a safety planning process.
Or	
	Using information from a scenario provided by the facilitator, conduct the safety planning process while being observed by an assessor who will use the assessment task checklist below.
	You will be provided with immediate feedback from the assessor on your performance.

Role play simulation checklist	Assessor comments
☐ Interpersonal skills are utilised to establish a professional relationship	
☐ A safe environment is collaboratively established with the client	
☐ All responses are sensitive to the client's individual needs	
☐ All responses reflect and uphold the clients rights to:	
Safety	
■ Confidentiality.	
Self determination	
☐ All responses place responsibility for violence with the user of violence	





Role play simulation checklist	Assessor comments
☐ Presenting issue is explored using sensitive questioning	
☐ Information about the impact of violence is respectfully presented	
☐ Risks to client safety are collaboratively identified and the degree and nature of the risk is sensitively responded to	
☐ Techniques are utilised to explore emotions and experiences	
☐ Accurate and relevant information is provided to develop an awareness and understanding of domestic and family violence	
☐ Client self determination and decision making is encouraged and supported	
☐ Client is supported to set personal goals and make informed choices that enhance their safety and the safety of their family	
☐ Client decisions are acknowledged and explored	
☐ Future and ongoing support issues are collaboratively identified	
☐ A range of appropriate services and resources are identified with the client	
☐ Level and nature of ongoing assistance is identified.	



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Task 10 - Assessment Decision		
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Task 11

Establish ground rules for a couple or individual accessing your services where violence has been alleged (role play/simulation)

Purpose:

The purpose of this task is to gather evidence of your ability to establish ground rules for an individual or couple where violence has been alleged. This assessment has a particular focus on your ability to develop trust and facilitate accurate and relevant information exchange and the application of skills to respond to issues which impact on a user of violence, their partner or family.

Pro	cess:
	In a simulation role play provided by the facilitator you will engage a client or couple in establishing ground rules to access your services based upon a scenario
	Fellow program participants will role play the client
	Conduct the role play simulation while being observed by an assessor who will use the assessment task checklist below.
You	will be provided with immediate feedback from the assessor on your performance
This	s role play can be applied to couples or individuals accessing:
	Dispute Resolution
	Relationship Counselling
	Children's Contact Services



☐ Specialist Family Violence services.



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Role play simulation checklist	Assessor comments	
 □ Respectful communication □ Active listening □ Managing own roles and responsibilities □ Clear communication □ Use of goal setting strategies □ Eliciting commitment to change □ Determining boundaries □ Establish a climate of complete 		
Establish a climate of complete disclosureTransparent process and action.		
Task 11 - Assessment Decision		
☐ Competence Achieved Select only one	☐ Further Evidence Required	
If Further Evidence Required is selected describe in detail the process undertaken to support the learner to achieve competence		
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