

Violence Free

Improving the Lives of
Marginalized Women and
Girls in Ukraine

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Violence in Ukraine



- General population in Ukraine
 - 33% of women experience domestic violence in their lifetime
 - 20% of women age 17 - 21 experience rape or attempted rape
 - 30% of Ukrainian adults physically abused as children
- HIV+ and street involved women and girls
 - 63% of HIV+ women w/young children have experienced violence (Russia)
 - 61% of HIV+ street girls have experienced violence

Program

GOAL: Close the gap between Ukrainian legislation on VAW and its implementation by developing, implementing, documenting and disseminating practical models addressing the needs of excluded and neglected groups of women who are survivors of VAW.

- Protocol dictating response and coordination of agencies responsible for VAW
- Interventions for women and men
- Improved capacity of decision-makers and service providers to address VAW and provide care
- Strengthened public awareness of VAW and its impact



- 50 women and girls interviewed
 - All had experienced violence, half in the last year
 - Violence is acceptable if...
 - She abuses substances (34%)
 - Is unfaithful (24%)
 - Provokes her partner (20%)
 - No right to refuse sex

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■ 26 men and boys interviewed

- Half had witnessed abuse between parents
- Half were abused as children
- Majority believe violence is acceptable if she provokes him verbally
- half believe a woman has no right to refuse sex

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