

Rac Questions- Rockland PC site

1. What does the word “abuse” mean? What are other words for “abuse,” such as “bullying?”

The purpose of this question is to get a sense of understanding of abuse and language-use to inform the development of materials.

- Away from proper use/ treatment
 - Mistreatment
 - Being treated less than unintentional or intentional
- B. Neglect, mistreatment, picking on, harassment or ignored

2. Have you ever read anything about abuse prevention? Has anyone ever taught you how to protect yourself? If so, was it helpful and why?

The purpose of this question is to identify existing resources that may be helpful and/or identify components of resources that can inform the development of new materials.

- Some said yes
- Reorientation of people, word get passed down
- Thought group, individual ad support groups

3. What do you think is important to know about abuse?

some examples:

- What is the definition of abuse?
- What are the signs of abuse?
- What behavior is appropriate and what is inappropriate?
- Who can you call if you or someone you know is being abused?
- What can you do to prevent abuse?

It happens

- know direct procedure
- know have right not to be abused
- who can call to process a complaint

4. What format would be most useful as educational materials?

Consider video, brochure, poster, website, other formats...

Live instruction and clear written materials, use “scared straight” approach

5. What type of training would be helpful?

- Would you attend a training on abuse prevention?
- How frequently would you attend (e.g. once a week for six weeks)?
- Would you watch a webinar or do you prefer in-person trainings?

Emersion experience, peer run a victim, lived experience

Some said every day for week or two but most agreed 1 day a year

6. How can we best provide education on abuse prevention to service recipients who may not speak English as a first language, or who have other communication difficulties/disabilities?

- Use translators that are provided by the state

7. If there were an international symbol of abuse prevention what would it look like? (For example, a No Smoking Sign is an image of a cigarette with a line through it)

Abuse with a line through it

Two hands shaking position with a heart on the hands

8. Is there anything else you think is important to educating service recipients that we haven't touched on already?

NO

9. If you had a magic wand, what would you do to keep everybody safe and free from abuse and neglect?

- Stopping people from abusing each other and have people help each other
- Empathic
- No magic wand situation to fix situation
- Take from programs that are working and put those into effect- why recreate the wheel

*Question we have:

WHY DOES ABUSE HAVE TO HAPPEN WHEN WE ARE ALL WORKING IN A HELPING COMMUNITY?