



## RCMP Halifax Regional Detachment Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Program Overview June 2025

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# HRD IPV Program Background

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- Established in April 2025 to provide enhanced trauma-informed oversight, guidance, and training related to IPV-related investigations within HRD.
- Review HRD's response to IPV-related homicides, MCC/Desmond Inquiry recommendations (others), and the rising national trend in IPV (StatsCan).
- Mission success to be defined through early pattern identification with trauma-informed intervention prior to escalation to lethality.

# Mandate, Structure & Core Work

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- **Mandate:** Oversight, mentorship, trend identification, file reviews, enhanced coordination of IPV incidents.
- **Structure:** 2 X Specialized Investigators as of June 2025 (goal to establish 4 X Specialized Investigators + 1 Public Service Coordinator by 2027).
- **Activities:** Review all IPV-flagged incidents in Versadex, conduct quality assurance reviews, ensure urgent HRD investigative coordination.
- **Specialized Focus:** IPV education, enforcement and prevention.

# Partnerships & Early Impact

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- Active collaborations within IPV-ecosystem such as DOJ Victim Services, service providers/NGOs, schools, DCS, Health, THANS, IPV community agencies, etc.
- Immediate impact via enhanced engagement, improved trauma-informed investigative outcomes, internal accountability, and collaborative planning = building/maintaining trust/confidence.
- Qualitative outcomes being tracked as HRD IPV Program partnerships deepen.

# Looking Ahead

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## HRD IPV Program Short-Term Goals

- Quality reviews of all person-crime files for IPV indicators (i.e. data integrity and working towards identifying risk factors).
  - Coordinate task forces for complex cases (e.g., warrants).
  - Connect victims and offenders to key support services.

The key takeaway for BOPC is that collective support is vital to scaling up impact and ensuring safer outcomes for families/community.

# Questions

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