

## **Family Violence Program**

### Creating safer families

The Safer Families - Family Violence Program offers individual and group counselling to persons using abuse or violence in intimate partner relationships. Participants in this program are usually not engaged in the criminal justice system. To increase safety, services are also available for affected partners.

We deliver individual and group interventions to maximize safety for women and children. Referrals are received from and may be funded through the Ministry of Children and Family Development, the Domestic Violence Unit or open to the public based on fees for service.

There is no fee for group services. Fees may apply to private referrals for individual counselling.

For more information about the Stopping the Violence Program, please call 250.478.8357.

### What our clients say...

*"I am a client working with a PCFSA counsellor after I assaulted my wife. I would like you and the Board to know that the counseling has been helpful as well as affordable. It is a challenge to find mens counselling. .... I ask the Pacific Centre to continue making services available to men."*

*My counsellor encourages me to search within myself for answers, asks me to try being more empathic and see from my ex-partner's perspective what it is my behaviours have done to her and our family. She reminds me to speak more kindly to myself. I appreciate her patience, honesty, and for helping me find another way of being as an alternate to angry, violent, and abusive. .. I'm grateful for the services provided, their accessibility, and the affect they are having on my life. Thank-you"*

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