

Domestic Violence Information for all Temporary Assistance Applicants

This information is intended to help you determine if you are a victim of domestic violence and to consider ways to help keep yourself and your family safe and self-supporting.

Are you in danger of your partner or ex-partner doing any of the following:

- Physically hurting you – for example, pushing, grabbing, slapping, hitting, choking, or kicking?
- Forcing you to have sex when you don't want to or to do sexual things you don't want to do?
- Threatening to hurt you, your children or someone close to you?
- Constantly putting you down or telling you that you are worthless?
- Stalking, checking up on you or following you?
- Making you afraid?

What kinds of help are available?

Temporary Assistance: You must meet certain requirements to be eligible for temporary assistance. If you are a victim of domestic violence and believe meeting those program requirements may put you or your children at risk of harm or make it more difficult to escape the abuse you may request a temporary delay (waiver) of certain requirements. For example: meeting all or some employment, child support enforcement or drug and alcohol assessment and treatment requirements may be temporarily delayed. You may complete the Domestic Violence Screening Form and request to see a Domestic Violence Liaison to determine your eligibility for a temporary waiver.

Services: You can call a 24 hour domestic violence hotline for information about emergency shelter, support groups, counseling and your legal rights.

In NYC call:
1-800-621-4673

In any other area of NY State call: 1-800-942-6906
Spanish speaking callers may call: 1-800-942-6908

LDSS Hotline Number