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### For Additional Resources

- \* www.stalkingawareness.org
  - \* Training modules
  - \* Victim resources
  - \* Practitioner resources
  - \* Webinars
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# Identify and describe the dynamics associated with stalking Recognize and discuss the intersection of stalking with domestic and sexual violence Identify common technologies used in stalking incidents

### **Defining Stalking** Behavioral Statutory SPARC Stalking A pattern of behavior directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear STALKET

### Context

- \* Something may be frightening to the victim but not to you as the responder
- \* Stalking behaviors often have specific meaning that may only be understood between offender and victim
- \* Stalking criminalizes otherwise non-criminal behavior

### Statutes



Contact SPARC for more information on your jurisdiction's laws!

### PREVALENCE OF STALKING

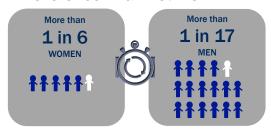


million

6- 7.5 million people are stalked in a one year period in the United States

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### Prevalence in a Lifetime

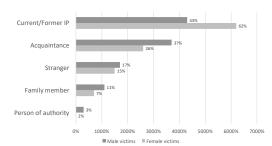


Smith, S.G, et al (2018). The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS) 2015 Data Brief. Atlanta, GA: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

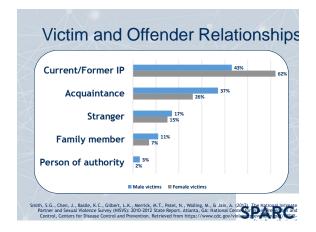
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### Victim & Offender Relationship



The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey, 2010 – 2012 State Report, Center For Disease Control and Prevention (2017)





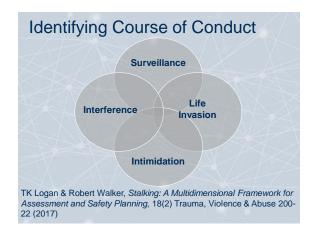


### **Big Picture**

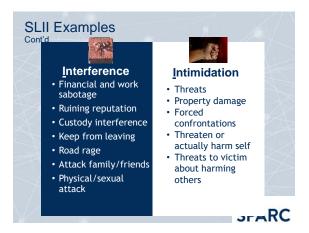
### Assessment of:

- Course of conduct
- Context
- Impact on victim





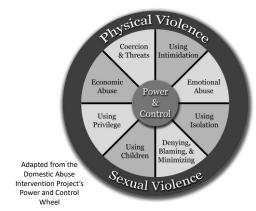






Stalking & Domestic Violence





### **Intimate Partner Stalkers**

Increased Risk for Victims

More likely to physically approach victim

More insulting, interfering and threatening

More likely to use weapons

Behaviors more likely to escalate quickly

More likely to re-offend

Kris Mohandie, et al., *The RECON Typology of Stalking: Reliability and Validity Based Upon a Large Sample of North American Stalkers*, 51(1) J FORENSIC SCI 147-55 (2006)

### **Lethality Risks**

**76%** 

- Femicide by intimate partner
- At LEAST 1 episode of stalking within year prior to murder

85%

- Attempted femicide by intimate
- At LEAST 1 episode of stalking within year prior to attempted

McFarlane et al., Stalking and Intimate Partner Femicide, 3(4) HOMICIDE STUDIES 300-16 (1999)

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THREAT ASSESSMENT	
Stalking and Femicide	
SPARC MAKING MAK	
CENTER CONTROL	
Stalking is one of the few	-
crimes where early	
intervention can prevent	
violence and death.	
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DV Threat Assessment Tools	
Among others	-
<ul><li>Lethality Assessment Plan (LAP)</li><li>Danger Assessment - dangerassessment.org</li></ul>	
Mosaic - mosaicmethod.com	
Idaho Risk Assessment of Dangerousness	
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### Lethality Assessment Program (LAP)

•	A "Yes" response to any of Questions # 1 – 3 automatically triggers the protocol r	eferral.		
1.	Has he/she ever used a weapon against you or threatened you with a weapon?	☐ Yes	□ No	☐ Not Ans.
2.	Has he/she threatened to kill you or your children?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
3.	Do you think he/she might try to kill you?	Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
	Negative responses to Questions # $1 - 3$ , but positive responses to at least four (protocol referral.	4) of Ques	tions # 4 -	11 trigger the
4.	Does he/she have a gun or can he/she get one easily?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
5.	Has he/she ever tried to choke you?	Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
6.	Is he/she violently or constantly jealous or does he/she control most of your daily activities?	☐ Yes	□ No	☐ Not Ans.
7.	Have you left him/her or separated after living together or being married?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
8.	Is he/she unemployed?	Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
9.	Has he/she ever tried to kill himself/herself?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
10.	Do you have a child that he/she knows is not his/hers?	Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.
11.	Does he/she follow or spy on you or leave threatening messages?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Not Ans.

Maryland's Lethality Assessment Program

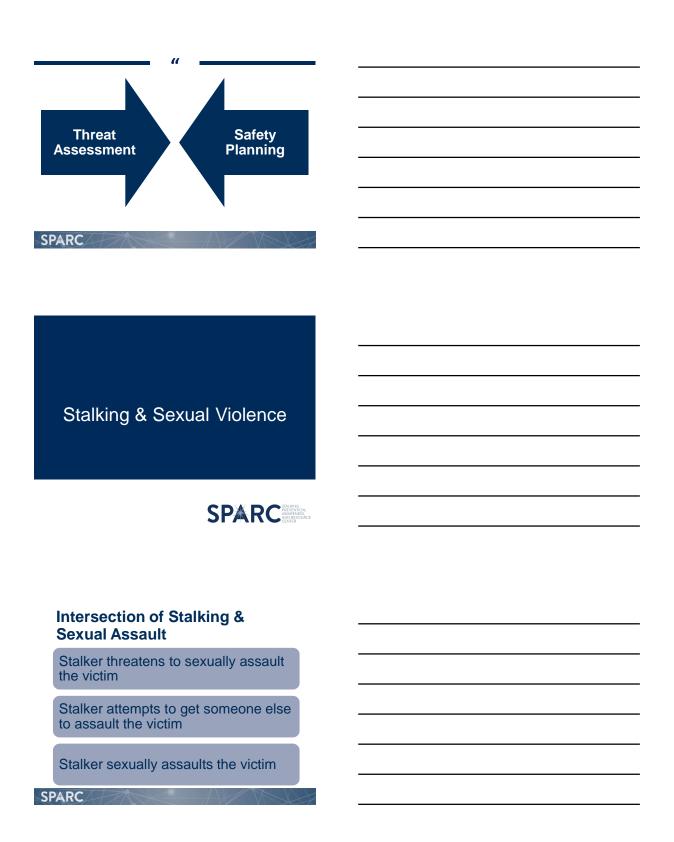




### Stalking Harassment Assessment and Risk Profile (SHARP)



http://www.cdar.uky.edu/CoerciveControl/sharp.html



# Craigslist Case Kenneth Kuban posted at least 165 ads in Craigslist "casual encounters" section posing as his ex-girlfriend.

### Grooming for SA as Stalking

Repeat sexual assault perpetrators may premeditate the rape:

- \* Chose targets intentionally. Identified vulnerable young women, often focusing on Freshmen
- \* Contacted multiple times: invited them to parties, messaged through social media, texting and call.
- \* Plied with alcohol: served drinks, controlled alcohol, made strong drinks
- \* Isolated victims: many had rooms set up at their parties for the purpose of committing rape
- \* Contacted after: texted, messaged and/or called to either threaten and/or invite to another party

David Lisak, Repeat Rape and Multiple Offending Among Undetected Rapists, 17(1) Violence and Victims 73-84 (2002)

**Technologies** 

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### TrapCall (trapcall.com)



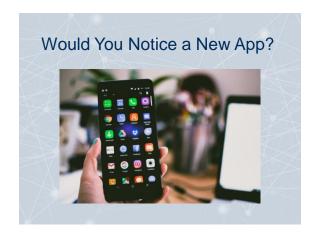


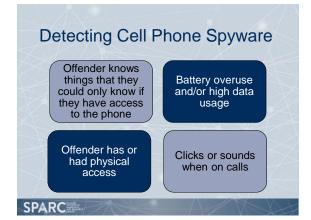




### SPARC STALKING PREVENTION, AWARENESS, AND RESOURCE CENTER







Global Positioning Systems (GPS) and Locating Devices

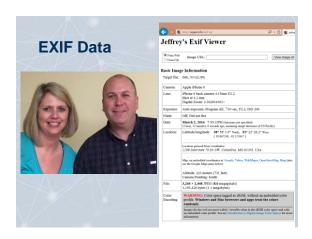






### Geotagging





### Does the Site Strip EXIF Date Before Posting?

### Facebook Twitter Bay Instagram – unless pic was added to Photo Map Flickr – gives the option Google Tumblr DropBox Email Fmail



### **Smart Devices** \* Any device that has access to the internet \* Alexa/Google Home, thermostat, lights, alarm systems, fridges, etc.

- \* Typically connect through home WiFi
- \* Can often be controlled remotely
- \* Called the "Internet of Things"



# Social Media



### **Exploiting Social Media**



- Gather information on the victim
  - Location
  - •Plans
- Communicate
  - · Post on victim's page
  - Post about the victim on their own or other's pages
- · Create fake sites

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### SPARC STALKING PREVENTION, AWARENESS, AND RESOURCE CENTER

Vi	ctims are afraid of
-	46% not knowing what would happen next
3	30% bodily harm
2	29% behavior would never stop
(	13% harm or kidnap a child
1	10% loss of freedom
9	9% death
_	4% losing one's mind
HANN	NON CATALANO, STALKING VICTIMIZATION IN THE UNITED STATES (Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2009



Orders of Protection
Consider:
* Pros and cons  * Quality of enforcement  * Is the victim willing to call the police?  * Violation rates (at least 45% for female victims)
Logan, T. K., & Cole, J. (2007). The impact of Partner Stalking on Mental Health and Protective Order Outcomes Over Time. Violence and Victims, 22(5): 546-562. http://dx.doi.org/10.1891/088667007782312168

### Safety - Other Considerations

### Defining our roles

- Privacy and confidentiality

Organizational policies and procedures

Threat assessment and safety planning

### What is Safety Planning?

An individualized plan that identifies specific strategies and interventions that may increase safety

- \* Provides practical ways to decrease risk
- \* Puts victims in contact with a variety of services, agencies, and individuals who can help
- \* Is not a guarantee of safety, but can assist in improving safety





How	to balance freedom and safety
Nex	t steps in case something does happen
How	often to reassess the safety plan
Risk	reduction versus absolute safety

Advocacy	
Advocacy & Support  Prediction & preparation  * Victims need information  * Reporting  * Justice process  * Criminal  * Civil  * Can help the victim regain control	
Documentation	
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### **Documentation Log**

Date	Time	Description of Incident	Location of Incident	Witness Name(s) (Attach Address and Phone II)	Police Called (Report #)	Officer Name (Badge #)

## Resources for Professionals



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