

NEW HAMPSHIRE NURSES' ASSOCIATION
POSITION STATEMENT ON SUPPORT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE COALITION
AGAINST DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE

SUMMARY:

The New Hampshire Nurses' Association strongly supports the work and effort of the New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence. The Goal of this group is to train healthcare professionals to recognize and appropriately respond to victims of domestic violence.

The US Department of Justice estimates that a woman is beaten in her home every 15 seconds. Approximately 44,000 women are beaten by their husbands each year in New Hampshire.

At NHNA we acknowledge that domestic violence must not continue to be ignored as a private matter, trapping battered women in violent homes. It is our belief that the Coalition has an effective program, and that our members, and all nurses can work together effectively to advance the efforts to fight domestic violence.

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