Governor’s Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women
The Silent Epidemic: Responding to sexual assault among people with intellectual and developmental disabilities
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The Silent Epidemic: Responding to sexual assault among people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Arizona

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Who We Are

• Collect Data
• Collaborate with both public and private sectors
• Fund Grants
• Advance Community Inclusion
• Promote Self-Advocacy
Prevalence of Abuse

Women with cognitive disabilities are 12 times more likely to be sexually assaulted than others.

People with disabilities overall are 3 times more likely to be victims of violent crime; 40% by someone they knew well.

Prevalence of Abuse

1. Over 70% of people with disabilities reported abuse.

2. Types of abuse:
   - Verbal-emotional: 87.2%
   - Physical: 50.6%
   - Sexual: 41.6%
   - Neglect: 37.3%
   - Financial: 31.5%

3. Sexual abuse prevalence by type of disability:
   - Mental health: 47.4%
   - Mobility: 31.6%
   - Intellectual/developmental: 34.2%
   - Autism: 24.9%

4. 90% reported on multiple occasions:
   - 57% of these were abused more than 20 occasions
   - 46% said it was too many times to count

Source: Baladerian N., Coleman T., and Stream, J. 2013, Spectrum, Institute Disability and Abuse Project
Crisis at Hacienda HealthCare

A Nurse Has Been Arrested For Allegedly Raping A Woman With "Significant Intellectual Disabilities" Who Gave Birth
Public Forum
Report: Preventing Sexual Abuse

SEXUAL ABUSE OF ARIZONANS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL AND OTHER DISABILITIES

2019 Legislative and Regulatory Recommendations for Prevention

January 2019
First Hacienda-Related Bill Signed By Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey

By Kathy Ritchie, Lauren Gilger
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Following news that an incapacitated woman gave birth after being raped at Hacienda HealthCare, an advocacy group issued a report containing recommendations to try and prevent sex abuse among people with disabilities, and some measures are gaining traction in the Arizona Legislature.
Keep up with Bills

Visit ADDPC Legislation Page:
https://addpc.az.gov/legislation
Executive Order: Preventing Abuse

Governor Ducey issues order on Feb. 6
“Just Do It”

• Require Initial Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Training annually for all DDD staff
• Report APS data to the public
• License Hacienda Healthcare ICF/IID
“In the Works”

• License all 11 State Operated ICF/IIDs

• Ensure alignment across the three state agencies
Governor’s Abuse/Neglect Prevention Task Force Collaboration

- Self-advocates and/or their families on each Work Group
- Multiple agencies involved
- Duplication and Rework
- Coordination required
- Risk of retraumatizing
Gilbert Day Center Worker Accused of Fondling Disabled Woman

An employee of a Gilbert day program center is accused of inappropriately touching a developmentally disabled woman.


GILBERT, ARIZ. (AP) — A caregiver at a Gilbert group home serving developmentally disabled adults is accused of inappropriately touching a female resident.

Gilbert police said Thursday that 40-year-old Abram Grace has been arrested on one count each of sexual assault and vulnerable adult abuse.

According to charging documents, the 31-year-old victim reported that she and Grace were watching a movie on Wednesday when he put his hand inside her shorts.

The staff then notified police and Adult Protective Services.
Funding for Research (GRANTED 7/1/19)
Description:
Come out to an info session on how to talk to your child about sexuality. This is a very important topic, especially for kids with disabilities.

In this training for parents of people with developmental disabilities, we will:

- Examine barriers to talking about sexuality
- Gain knowledge about sexuality and developmental disabilities
- Acquire and practice skills in communicating about sexuality with young and grown children.

The training will be taking place at the Phoenix Office of Raising Special Kids, located in suite 204 at the Ability360 Center, 5025 E. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034.

Click Here to Register

Location:
Raising Special Kids - Phoenix Office, 5025 E. Washington St. #204, Phoenix, AZ 85034

Date/Time:
Saturday, October 12, 2019 - 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Image:
ADDPC Next Steps

- Sex Abuse Roundtable
- Support federal funding for APS programs
- Ensure DD populations included in ACEs training
- Sex abuse video
- In-house Reports
- Others???
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Kick-Off Event

5th Annual – Statewide Domestic Violence Awareness Event

Tuesday, October 1, 2019
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Arizona State Capitol, House Lawn
1700 W Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

ItCanStop.AZ.gov
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Statewide Engagement

- Webinar-August 20th at 10am
- Letters to legislators, mayors, police chiefs, tribal governments, and state agencies
- Governor’s Video to PIOs
- Downloadable Toolkit
- Proclamation
- Encouraging local events
- Capitol Lunch and Learn
- Faith Community Roundtable: Oct. 29 in Flagstaff
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Community Partnership

Home Depot:
• Purple light bulbs and displays
• 50+ locations across the state
• Partnership with local organizations
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PetSmart Charities:
• Downloadable toolkit
• Leading Sponsor of Capitol Event
• Social media
• Over 7,000 Arizona associates will wear purple ribbons and receive information on services
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- State Agencies
- Cities and Towns
- Police Departments
- Cardinals
- State Fair
- Bloom365
- ACESDV
- Native Health
- APAAC
- MAG Council
- Faith Community
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Call to Action

• Promote Webinar on Aug. 20
• Attend Kick Off Event on Oct. 1
• Light Buildings Purple
• Wear Purple Day on Oct. 24
• #LightingAZPurple and #EndDVinAZ
• Share Downloadable Toolkit
• Register for Mailing List
• Host or Support Local Events