

Addressing the Subjects of Family Abuse and Parenting in Canada to Newcomers

Segment # 9 (7:13)

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Re-Cap and Recommended
Presentation Itineraries

Re-Cap of Main Points in Addressing the Subjects of Family Abuse and Parenting

1. Establish relationships with local family counselling agencies and ask their support.
2. Visit the website www.familyabusedvd.ca to access the video on Family Abuse and Facilitator's Guide.
3. Use the video in its entirety as recommended or in segments. Review and refer to Facilitator's Guide.
4. Speak to your audience in the third person using the word "they" or, a "person", or "someone", instead of the word "you". This will ensure there is no unintentional accusation inference.
5. Remind clients that the information on abuse relates to the universal theme of all parents – the safety and protection of the family. Also let them know that this information is given to all newcomers.
6. Make sure your clients fully understand what constitutes family abuse, the laws pertaining to abuse and the consequences if those laws are broken.
7. Ensure your clients know the support available for both victims and perpetrators of abuse.
8. Follow the do's and don'ts of procedures if a client discloses they are in an abusive situation.
9. Refer clients who disclose an abusive situation to local family counselling agencies. Be careful not to cross the line between facilitator and family counsellor.
10. Make your clients aware of the parenting adjustments that may occur in order to abide by the laws around child protection, especially those pertaining to discipline.

Recommended Orientation Itinerary – 1 Hour

1. Provide an introduction of the subject and overview of the video. (5 minutes)
2. Show the video. (24 minutes)
3. Summarize the video. (No formal question and answer period.) (10 minutes)
4. Discuss parenting in Canada. (20 minutes)

Orientation Itinerary For Those With Time Constraints – 35 Minutes

1. Provide an introduction of the subject and overview of the segments. (5 minutes)
2. Show Segment # 4 – Types of Abuse (7:01)
Show Segment # 6 – Assistance for Perpetrators of Abuse (2:45)
Show Segment # 7 – Assistance for Victims of Abuse (4:40)
3. Summarize the segments. (No formal question and answer period.) (5 minutes)
4. Discuss parenting in Canada. (10 minutes)

Reminder: Visit www.familyabusedvd for assistance in developing your session.