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#### Why Work With Male Perpetrators

• The abuser's behaviour is the problem

 Supports women and the community in making demands for change

 Where abusive men are men asking for help we have a responsibility to respond

### Safety Implications for Partners

The fact that he is on a programme may mean that she has unrealistic expectations of her own and her children's safety

The fact that her abuser is in some form of counselling will have significant influence over a woman's decision to return to her abusive partner. (Gondolf, E. 1988)

## Women's Safety Service

- Provide information on what is happening with her partner
- Help her have realistic expectations of change
- Empowering her to focus on her own needs and her children's
- Undertake safety assessment and support

# **Programme Objectives**

 Challenge minimisation of the extent, frequency, seriousness of his violence.

 Promote the acceptance of responsibility – not couples counselling

 Questioning gender based entitlement – not anger management

Develop respectful behaviour

#### Cumulative re-assault rate -

0-15 months

0-30 months
(Participants 36% - dropouts 55%)

0-48 months

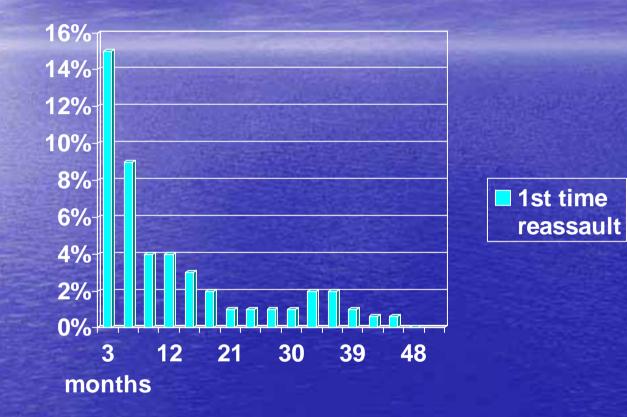
48%

 Sample size 840 – based on reports from partners, new partners and adjusted of under reporting

40%

45%

#### First time re-assault



Gondolf, E – Batterer intervention systems pub sage 2002

#### Retrospective outcomes programme completers

- At the 30 month follow up 80% of the men had not used violence in the past 12 months
- At the 48 month follow up 90% had not used violence in the past year and 75% had not used violence in the previous 2.5 years.
- Similar de-escalation was seen in other abusive behaviour

### **Objectives of Respect Accredited Services**

Safety Assess and manage risk Promote respectful relationships Accountable Promote social change

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