

REFUGEE HEALTH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSESSMENT

Recommended Setting:

- Establish total privacy
- Client must be alone, or if there is a child present, the child must not be of verbal age

Ask Two Questions:

1) Have you ever been hit, kicked, punched, slapped, shoved or bit by your husband, boyfriend or partner?

2) Does your relationship make you feel threatened, ashamed, or unsafe at home?

If the client answers yes to either question, please provide local resource information (see following contact list) and get further guidance from the county health department domestic violence contact.

Other Resources:

State Abuse Hotline Number: 1-800-96-ABUSE

State Domestic Violence Hotline Number: 1-800-500-1119

State Rape Crisis Hotline Number: 1-888-956-RAPE

First Step booklet: provides detailed information about domestic violence and can be used as a training tool for staff

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/family/mch/docs/firststepeng.pdf>