

The Brooklyn **Batters Intervention Program** is a 16-week educational program for male domestic violence offenders in Brooklyn focusing on encouraging participants to take responsibility for abusive acts and exploring the effects and impact of violence.



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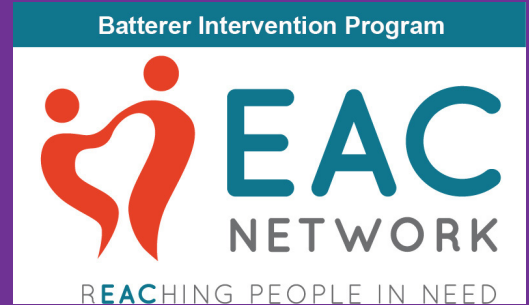
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**Batterer Intervention Program (BIP)**

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# How can the Batterer Intervention Program help you?

## What is the program's purpose?

The purpose of the **Batterer Intervention Program (BIP)** is to provide an additional disposition for the court or mandating agency for men who appear as a result of their acts of domestic violence.

The program is based on the empirically tested intervention strategies of the Duluth Model, a psycho-educational and skills-building curriculum that focuses on encouraging participants to take responsibility for abusive acts and to explore the effects and impact of violence.

Compliance and progress reports are sent directly to the Court/mandating agency.

## How long is the program?

The **Batterer Intervention Program (BIP)** is a 16-week educational program.

All participants are required to attend one individual assessment/orientation and 16 group sessions that last for two hours each.

There are **NO** excused absences. Any missed session must be made up.

## Which curriculum is used?

Sessions are facilitated by staff trained in the *Creating a Process of Change for Men Who Batter* curriculum.

The curriculum is taught in group sessions that emphasize the development of critical thinking skills. There are eight (8) themes and each theme is divided into two (2) sessions. Each session begins with a demonstration of the specific controlling behavior being highlighted. Discussion centers on the actions used by the batterer depicted in the demonstration to control his partner.

During subsequent sessions each group member describes his own use of the controlling behavior and alternative behaviors are then explored.

The participants focus on eight themes:

1. Non-violence
2. Non-threatening behavior
3. Respect
4. Support & trust
5. Accountability & honesty
6. Sexual respect
7. Partnership
8. Negotiation & fairness

## What is the cost of the program?

**The assessment/orientation fee is \$50.**

**The program fee is \$50 per session.** (Proof of income is required to be considered for a reduced session fee).

All fees are to be paid via money order made payable to "EAC, Inc." or by credit card. **No cash or personal checks are accepted.**

## How do I make a referral?

**Courts and other mandating agencies:** Call 800-322-3284 to receive a referral form or to enroll a participant.

## Participants:

To schedule an assessment/orientation appointment, bring the referral form to the EAC Network Brooklyn office located at 175 Remsen Street, 5th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201 or call 800-322-3284 for further instructions.