## For Crown Attorneys & Defense Attorneys

# PARTNER ASSAULT RESPONSE PROGRAM

Demonstrate the importance of accountability

Assist offenders in examining their beliefs and attitudes about domestic violence

Teach non-abusive ways of communicating and resolving conflict

Improve understanding of triggers and warning signs

#### Explore healthy relationships and the effects of abuse

Where an individual is being required by a Crown Attorney to participate, the individual may contact us directly and will need to provide the required documents from the Crown:

- Synoposis of the offence;
- Domestic Violence Supplementary Report form (LE-239) where available;
- Victim Impact Statement where available;
- Criminal record of the accused (if any).

Where participation in PAR is required before sentence, the Crown's office must provide the documents. Where participation in PAR is required as part of sentence, the referral will be made through Probation and Parole.

The survivor and/or current partner of an offender in PAR is offered safety planning, support, community resource referrals, and information about the offender's progress in the PAR Program.

**Providing specialized** services for intimate partner violence offenders.

### **ABOUT PAR:**

Thunder Bay Counselling provides a Partner Assault Response (PAR) program for court mandated intimate partner violence offenders from the criminal courts in Thunder Bay. PAR is generally provided in a 12-session group format, and may be offered in-person, virtually or both. It is the expectation that individuals ordered to participate in the PAR Program have a financial accountability to contribute to the costs of the service. The fee amount to be charged will be assessed by the PAR Coordinator at first contact.

#### PAR is only available to courtmandated individuals:

- Through a direct referral from their Probation and Parole Officer or
- As required by the Crown Attorney through the Early Intervention stream or
- As a condition of a Section 810 Peace Bond Order or
- Through Coordinated Prosecution where the Crown requires PAR as a condition of probation or a conditional sentence order.

For more information or to begin a referral process, please contact our PAR Coordinator at:

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