

## SCHOOL PROGRAMS

### **THREE KINDS OF TOUCHES**

This program is designed to teach young children about safe, ouch, and uh-oh touches.

### **CAAP**

This program is for elementary students and teaches them that their body belongs to them and that they decide who can touch it.

### **D.A.T.E**

This program informs students of the generally accepted indicators of potentially abusive relationships. The staff also discusses the underlying causes and contributing factors in abuse and teaches students abuse prevention strategies.

### **PEER ON PEER HARASSMENT**

In this program, 6th graders learn about the consequences of harassment and bullying and encouraged not to partake in that behavior.

### **SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

9th graders learn about gender Harassment and are encouraged to be respectful toward their peers and adults.



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## PRESCHOOL

The “Three Kinds of Touches” program was developed for 3 to 5 year olds. This curriculum consists of a book and video teaching children how to distinguish between acceptable physical contact, and contact that should be reported to another adult.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Students in grades K, 3 to 5 learn how to differentiate between acceptable situations and those that may be potentially abusive. They are taught to trust their feelings and that it’s okay to say “No.” The curriculum includes videos and interactive games that are age appropriate and fun for the students.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

Once students begin middle school, they learn about abuse and family violence. Middle school students are also introduced to dating violence and given the tools with which to identify their support network as well as prevention strategies.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Students are presented with a program called Date Abuse Teen Education (DATE). DATE educates students on dating violence and enables them to identify patterns, potential causes, and prevention strategies.

## COMMUNITY

Violence is a serious public health problem in the United States. From infants to the elderly, it affects people in all stages of life. In 2007, more than half of Pennsylvania's counties experienced lethal incidents of domestic violence. By year's end 121 people died - 95 of them were victims; 26 were perpetrators who committed suicide or were killed by police. Many more survive violence and are left with permanent physical and emotional scars. Violence also erodes communities by reducing productivity, decreasing property values, and disrupting social services.

One of the most effective forms of prevention is education. Exposure to information and training results in learning and increased awareness that leads to mobilization by the participants in the prevention education programs.

WSI offers presentations that educate the public on the signs and causes of abuse as well as how to prevent abuse and protect themselves. Presentations can also provide information on the specific patterns of domestic violence, the interpersonal dynamics of abuse, and the inherent dangers employers and their employees face every day in the workplace. Last year, WSI provided over 1,000 programs to schools and the community reaching over 25,000 men, women and children in Crawford County.

## TRAINING

WSI provides presentations focusing on prevention against sexual and domestic violence through education. WSI staff is available for community-wide events, such as fairs and expos as well as for smaller gatherings, such as church groups and/or other civic organizations. WSI staff is also available to come to your place of business and provide a training session on how to deal with sexual and/or domestic violence victims and situations. These trainings can be tailored toward your company's specific needs. The staff works with teachers, administrators, nursing home and hospital staff, law enforcement, medical and rescue personnel, church groups, clergy, and many others.

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## RESOURCES

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[www.menagainstsexualviolence.org](http://www.menagainstsexualviolence.org)  
[www.isafe.org](http://www.isafe.org)  
[www.keepyourschildsafe.org](http://www.keepyourschildsafe.org)  
[www.childabuse.com](http://www.childabuse.com)  
[www.thecpac.com](http://www.thecpac.com)  
[www.cyberangels.org](http://www.cyberangels.org)  
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Women's Services



## MISSION STATEMENT

Providing hope and resources for  
those affected by violence and  
advocating to end it.



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