



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DANGER ASSESSMENT

There are several risk factors associated with homicide in situations of severe battering or leaving an abusive relationship. We cannot predict what will happen in your case, but we want you to be aware of the danger of homicide you could be in.

- ____ 1. Has the physical violence increased in frequency or severity over the last year?
- ____ 2. Has your partner used or threatened to use a weapon?*
- ____ 3. Does your partner own or have easy access to a gun?*
- ____ 4. Does your partner ever try to strangle (choke) you?*
- ____ 5. Has your partner ever forced you to have sex when you did not want to?*
- ____ 6. Does your partner misuse/abuse illegal drugs or prescription drugs?
- ____ 7. Is your partner an alcoholic or a problem drinker?
- ____ 8. Has your partner been diagnosed or prescribed medications for a mental illness?
- ____ 9. Does your partner threaten to kill you?*
- ____ 10. Has your partner specifically told you how they intend to carry out their threats to kill you?*
- ____ 11. Has your partner ever threatened or tried to commit suicide?*
- ____ 12. Do you believe your partner is capable of killing you?*
- ____ 13. Is your partner violently and constantly jealous of you?* (ex. "if I can't have you, no one can!")
- ____ 14. Does your partner follow or spy on you?
- ____ 15. Does your partner threaten you via phone calls, text messages or facebook?
- ____ 16. Does your partner control most or all of your daily activities? (ex. who you can be friends with, when you can see your family, how much money you can use, or when you can take the car?)
- ____ 17. Has your partner ever threatened harm to other family members or friends if you spoke up?*
- ____ 18. Has your partner ever harmed or threatened to harm your pets?*
- ____ 19. Is your partner unemployed?
- ____ 20. Did your partner recently get laid off or fired from their job?*
- ____ 21. Have the police ever come to your home because of domestic violence?
- ____ 22. Has your partner avoided being arrested for domestic violence?
- ____ 23. Does your partner have a violent history?*
- ____ 24. Have you recently left the relationship or are you trying to leave?*

- If you have children
- ____ 25. Has your partner ever beaten you while you were pregnant?*
- ____ 26. Is your partner violent or threaten violence towards your children?
- ____ TOTAL "Yes" Answers

*Research has shown the top 5 risk factors for homicide include: **use or threat of use of weapons, threats to kill, strangling, constant jealousy, and forced sex.** Other high-risk factors include: **recent loss of job, violent criminal history, animal abuse, and a recent separation.**