Niagara County Family Violence Intervention Project 2025 Safe at Home Conference



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Dr. Dana Radatz is a Professor in the Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice at Niagara University. She received her doctorate in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Dr. Radatz's research interests include intimate partner violence treatment programs, risk assessment, victimization, and gender-based violence prevention. She is an award winning and nationally recognized scholar, often celebrated for her drive to be community-engaged and active in helping to translate research into action. She has published in numerous top-tier academic and practitioner outlets and has secured more than \$1.1 million in external and internal grant funds.

Join Dr. Radatz as she discusses domestic violence (DV) treatment programming and evidence-based practices. DV evaluation results have indicated DV treatment programming has been minimally effective in reducing recidivism. In response, scholars and practitioners have looked to other evidence-based correctional programming known to be effective at reducing recidivism among general offenders, known as the principles of effective intervention (PEI), as a guiding framework to potentially improve current DV treatment and supervision. The application of the PEI framework to DV perpetrators and their treatment has been unfolding for approximately 15 years. Within those years, the integration of the PEI into the field of DV has steadily increased, signaling a paradigm shift. Notably, scholars have conducted several studies to examine the foundational elements of the PEI and their application to DV, while many in the practical realm have begun transitioning and integrating the PEI framework into their current DV approaches. These prior efforts, current challenges, and future directions will be presented.