Below are descriptions of the program models funded by DPH through this line item. All programs funded are expected to provide comprehensive, quality, culturally-relevant, trauma-informed services and support that are meaningfully accessible to the diverse populations in the Commonwealth and grounded in social justice.

**Comprehensive Rape Crisis Centers (RCC)**
Rape Crisis Centers provide free and confidential direct services for adolescent and adult survivors of sexual violence, their loved ones, and non-offending care-givers of survivors of all ages across the Commonwealth. Services include:
- 24-hour hotline services
- Short- and long-term individual and group support sessions for adolescents and adults
- Medical, legal, police and other client advocacy including 24-hour rape crisis counselor response to hospital emergency departments and assistance and support with criminal and civil justice systems
- Bi-lingual counselors and statewide Spanish-language rape crisis hotline
- Outreach and education to provide prevention programming and information about rape crisis services in settings such as schools, community groups and professional groups
- Training to improve trauma-informed, coordinated community response to all survivors

**General Community-Based Domestic Violence Services**
General community-based domestic violence programs provide advocacy and support services for domestic violence survivors, their children, and/or dependents. Services are free and confidential and include:
- Crisis intervention, safety planning, risk assessment, and referral
- Short and long term individual and group support sessions including support services for children
- Housing and shelter advocacy and housing stabilization
- Legal and other systems advocacy
- Training to improve trauma-informed, coordinated community response to all survivors

**Sexual and Domestic Violence Services for Communities Experiencing Inequities**
Previously funded as Refugee and Immigrant Safety and Empowerment (RISE) and LGBTQ services, equity promotion and legal services provide linguistically and culturally specific domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking services. These programs address disparities and promote equity in access to sexual and domestic violence services for populations identified as higher risk for sexual and domestic violence and/or in geographic areas of high need and where services have been less accessible historically. Identified populations include black survivors, people with disabilities, people who are deaf and hard of hearing, immigrant survivors, LGBTQ survivors and rural populations. Services provided may include:
- Crisis intervention, safety planning, interpretation, and referral
- Culturally and linguistically appropriate victim support and advocacy with law enforcement, courts, and social services
- Outreach to isolated communities about rights and services
- Cross-training of service providers to enhance advocacy services
- Assistance with immigration and family court cases. In some programs, this may include legal representation for sexual and domestic violence survivors in immigration proceedings.

**Intimate Partner Abuse Education Programs**
Certified Intimate Partner Abuse Education Programs (IPAEP) provide educational intervention services to individuals who abuse their intimate partners and whose violence affects other family members, including children. Certified IPAEPs also contact current and former partners of the perpetrators to provide supportive
resources to them, to gather information about the perpetrator, and to explain the probability of change in the abuser’s behavior that might be expected from their participation in the interventions.

Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline—SafeLink ((877)-785-2020)
The line item provides funding for a free, confidential, 24-hour, seven days a week, crisis hotline statewide that provides safety planning and immediate access to all local programs across the Commonwealth.

Emergency Shelter
Emergency shelters provide temporary refuge for sexual and/or domestic violence survivors, their children and/or dependents who feel at imminent risk of violence and abuse. Shelter services support the individual, familial and social needs of survivors and their families. Shelter related services include:
- Crisis intervention, safety planning, risk assessment, and referral
- Individual and group support sessions including support services for children
- Housing and shelter advocacy and housing stabilization
- Training to improve trauma-informed, coordinated community response to all survivors

Housing Stabilization (Transitional Housing)
Housing stabilization services provide stable family housing and concrete support services to help program participants access and maintain permanent housing, access employment, attend school, parent their children, and generally prepare for economic independence. Program models include congregate housing as well as independent supported living such as scattered sites apartments or a building with multiple dwellings.

Domestic Violence, Substance Misuse, and Trauma Shelter
The DVSMT residential services provide refuge for individuals (with or without children) who need to leave an unsafe situation due to sexual and/or domestic violence and need longer-term recovery support to address substance misuse and/or trauma. Comprehensive, quality services support the individual, familial and social needs of survivors and their families.

Services for Children Exposed to Violence
Services for children exposed to violence address the needs of children and youth who have witnessed and/or have been exposed to domestic violence. CEDV services are offered in multiple types of formats including:
- therapeutic individual and group settings
- advocacy
- group and family support services

Supervised Visitation Centers
Supervised visitation services maximize the safety and well-being of adult survivors and children impacted by domestic violence by providing access to safe visitation locations and services and a neutral exchange for non-custodial parents.

Sexual and Domestic Violence Community Mobilization
Sexual and domestic violence are critical community issues that are best addressed when all community members—youth, residents, families, friends, neighbors, civic leaders, and organizational partners—participate in designing and implementing the solutions to the problem. Sexual and domestic violence community mobilizing goals include developing local community leadership to create solutions and take action; intervening where sexual and domestic violence is already present; promoting and supporting healthy relationships, healthy sexuality and healthy communities; integrating community responsibility for sexual and domestic violence prevention into the civic discourse; and building strong meaningful relationships among community members.