

The Next Step Program & Hospital-Based Violence Intervention: A Public Health Approach to Community Safety

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Next Step Logic Model



Next Step is a trauma-informed, culturally responsive program that connects survivors of community violence to resources and support to:



Reduce re-injury and re-hospitalization, re-humanized survivors



Support positive development and holistic healing



Help interrupt the cycle of community violence

Violence has roots in structural inequities, racism, and oppression. Like other public health crises, violence is preventable. Hurt people hurt people and Heal people heal people.

INPUTS

- ✓ **STAFF**
- ✓ **ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
- ✓ **COMMUNITY AND PROGRAM PARTNERS AND RELATIONSHIPS**
- ✓ **FUNDING PARTNERS**
- ✓ **FUNDING AND MATERIAL RESOURCES**

ACTIVITIES

PARTICIPANTS ENGAGE IN:

- Bedside support for traumatic injury.
- Trauma-informed case management.
- Supported goal setting.
- Anger management and mental wellbeing groups.
- Monthly men's and women's groups.
- Youth-focused activities.

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PROGRAM PROVIDES:

- Resources for participant needs.
- Direct support services.
- Education assistance.
- Employment and job training opportunities.
- Referrals to community resources.

OUTCOMES

PARTICIPANTS & THEIR FAMILIES WILL HAVE ONGOING SUPPORT DURING A TIME OF CRISIS.

PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE:

- Improved mental health.
- Improved anger management skills.
- Fewer injuries and return hospital visits, and improved physical health.
- Increased educational attainment levels.
- Higher rates of employment.
- Decreased involvement with the criminal justice system.

COMMUNITIES WILL HAVE:

- Increased safety.
- Increased healing from trauma.

The Next Step Program is a collaboration of Hennepin Healthcare, Abbot Northwestern Hospital, North Memorial Health, Children's Hospital, the City of Minneapolis, and Minnesota Office of Justice Programs

Thanks for Your Time! Questions?

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