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The National Healthy Marriage Resource Center (NHMRC) will host a webinar entitled, ***Distinguishing among Different Types Intimate Partner Violence: Implications for Healthy Marriage Programs*** on **Tuesday, January 25, 2011 from 1:00 – 2:30pm (E.S.T.)**.

Research has revealed variations in the types of violence that occur between romantic partners. There is an emerging view that coercive controlling violence (committed out of a desire for the perpetrator to control his or her partner) should be distinguished from situational couple violence (where arguments and fights get out of control and sometimes become violent), and violent resistance (where one of the partners commits violence to protect her or his own safety). Speakers at this webinar will describe the research on different typologies associated with intimate partner violence and discuss how Healthy Marriage program staff can use this information to direct their screening processes and programming. Also featured will be a Healthy Marriage program that has taken a number of steps to address domestic violence among its enrollees.

- Michael Johnson, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Women's Studies, and African and African American Studies at The Pennsylvania State University, will explain his research on domestic violence typologies (e.g., the differences among intimate terrorism, situational couple violence, and violent resistance). Professor Johnson has taught sociology and women's studies at Penn State University for over thirty years and was designated an Alumni Teaching Fellow, the university's highest teaching award. He is an internationally recognized expert on domestic violence whose current research focuses on the implications of differentiating among types of violence in intimate relationships. Professor Johnson consults regularly with organizations and government agencies regarding domestic violence policy. His work on domestic violence is summarized in *A Typology of Intimate Partner Violence: Intimate Terrorism, Violent Resistance, and Situational Couple Violence* (Northeastern University Press, 2008).

- Anne Menard, Director of the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence, will discuss how HMI programs should put the typology information to use in their programs. Ms. Menard has worked on policy, practice and research issues affecting domestic violence and sexual assault survivors since the 1970s. After serving as a senior consultant to the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program of the US Department of Health and Human Services during 2005, she returned as Director of the Resource Center, a position she previously held from 1994-1999. Before that, Ms. Menard led the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence and, in the early 1980s, was co-director of the state's largest domestic violence shelter.
- Diane Crosby, Healthy Couples Coordinator, Elizabeth's New Life Center Marriage Works program, will discuss her program's approach to screening for and dealing with instances of domestic violence. Ms. Crosby has been in the field of Victim Services for nearly 20 years. She was the Domestic Violence Dynamics and Investigation Trainer for the Wyoming State Law Enforcement Academy and has also worked with the US Air Force as a Sexual Assault Coordinator, conducting training programs across the country. Ms. Crosby began working with Marriage Works! Ohio in 2008 as the Domestic Violence Liaison, the Healthy Couples Coordinator, and as a teacher of relationship education classes to couples.
- Rich Batten, Program Manager, National Healthy Marriage Resource Center (NHMRC), will moderate this session. Mr. Batten has more than 20 years of experience as a collaborative and strategic leader committed to improving the well being of marriages, families and communities. Most recently, he served as a Family and Fatherhood Specialist with the Colorado Department of Human Services. In this role, he developed collaborative relationships between healthy marriage programs, domestic violence programs, fatherhood programs, child welfare, child support enforcement, and the Department of Corrections. Batten has been a Certified Family Life Educator since 1998 and is an experienced instructor of numerous marriage and parenting curriculums. He earned a Master of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary, and a Master of Education from Loyola University in Chicago.

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