

Legal Process Committee
2010-2012 Work Plan

Issue	Action Item	Committee Members Working/Reporting On Action Item
1.Share Information	Continue to provide forum for info. sharing, response and solutions to issues within the domestic violence legal community by giving all committee members the opportunity to provide updates at the beginning of each meeting regarding what each agency is doing regarding domestic violence.	All Committee Members
2.Safety Protocols	Develop safety protocols for domestic violence judicial proceeding. Current Status: Safety protocols subcommittee was created in 2009 to address safety issues in and around DV calendars. Issues being addressed: South San Francisco Courtroom O, Developing courtroom protocols for DV calendar deputies, protocols for parties in courtroom, leaving courtroom for mediation, after case called, etc., use of interpreters, etc.	Jessica Dayton and Janet Seldon
3.Firearms Compliance Project	Maintain communication with and continue to provide input to the Firearms Compliance Project.	Linda Gibbons
4.Judicial Bench Card	Update the judicial bench card, as appropriate.	Nadine Burg, Jenny Horne
5.Law Enforcement DV Protocol	Update law enforcement domestic violence protocol, as appropriate. Current Status: The protocol was last update in 2004. Ongoing Work Needed: This group is reviewing, revising, and suggesting updates for 2010.	Linda Gibbons, Karen Guidotti, Caroline Serrato

6. Emergency Protective Orders	<p>Continue to monitor, train, and improve issuance of EPOs and entry of EPOs in the DVROS system.</p> <p><u>Prior work on this issue:</u> Presiding Judge, Supervising Criminal Judge, and Supervising Family Law Judge issued letter to police chiefs identifying the problem (i.e. low issuance of EPOs), encouraging EPO requests by local law enforcement, encouraging feedback on why officers are not seeking EPOs, reiterating the EPO procedure in the Law Enforcement Protocol and addressing certain specific problem areas. LPC Committee and Coordinated Response Committee monitor EPO issuance rates and target police department training/advocacy.</p> <p><u>Ongoing work needed:</u> Develop plan to ensure timely entry of EPOs into DVROS coordinated with Coordinated Response Committee.</p>	We will work on this issue in 2011 and gather a team then.
7. Restraining Orders After Hearing	Identify practices that can be implemented to better capture the Orders After Hearing rate.	We will work on this issue in 2011 and gather a team then.
8. Allocation of Court Resources	Monitor allocation of resources such as, interpreters at the Courthouse, Family Law non-DVPA calendar and for Family Court Service, self-help services for unrepresented litigants, judicial officers, dedicated DVPA Calendar, etc. and report back regularly to the committee.	All LPC members will report back to committee re: this issue.
9. Protective Orders as Conditions of Probation	<p>When defendants are on court probation and protective orders are a condition of probation, the existing technology does not provide for inputting the conditions of probation into CLETS, therefore victims and officers on the scene have difficulty enforcing the protective orders.</p> <p><u>Work Needed:</u> Investigate and develop a method to have entry into CLETS or give victim written documentation of protective order as condition of probation.</p>	Monica Castillon