



**LEAP (Look to End Abuse Permanently)**, is an organization of health care providers and volunteers dedicated to ending intimate partner violence (IPV) by establishing screening, treatment, and prevention programs in the health care setting. LEAP is comprised of social workers, nurse practitioners, therapists, physicians, and community volunteers. LEAP is a collaboration of the San Francisco Department of Public Health Primary Care division, the San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH) Emergency Department, the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF)/SFGH Rape Treatment/Trauma Recovery Center. LEAP has been a leader in the movement to improve the response of the health care system to domestic violence in San Francisco.

**In 2008-2009, LEAP has:**

**Provided services:**

- LEAP, the San Francisco Department of Public Health, and the UCSF Trauma Recovery Center provide ongoing support, counseling, advocacy and child care for women in a Spanish-speaking battered women's support group in the health care setting.
- LEAP's website, [www.leapsf.org](http://www.leapsf.org), continues to be a leading resource for healthcare providers working to prevent IPV and is instrumental in helping clinics nationwide establish IPV protocols and programs.

**Provided training and consultation:**

- LEAP provided annual training on sexually transmitted diseases and domestic violence for the California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center.
- LEAP collaborated with the San Francisco Family Violence Council, the San Francisco Department on the Status of Women to organize training on forensic photography for SF DPH medical providers provided by the UC Davis California Medical Training Center.
- LEAP began the "LEAP Clinic Collaborative" to improve the IPV programs in safety net clinics and provided trainings in four safety net clinics in Year one of this three year project.
- LEAP's chairperson, Dr. Leigh Kimberg, provided training on addressing IPV with male patients at the multidisciplinary student led UCSF Violence Prevention Conference.
- LEAP continues training of medical students and primary care residents at UCSF and to sponsor the UCSF Violence Prevention Conference.



**Was awarded three grants to improve IPV prevention programs and education:**

- LEAP was awarded Year 1 of a \$20,000 grant for 2008-2009 by San Francisco Kaiser Permanente to improve IPV screening and treatment programs in safety net clinics in San Francisco called the LEAP Clinic Collaborative. (This grant was just renewed for 2009-2010).
- LEAP was awarded a \$10,000 grant from California Pacific Medical Center Foundation to improve our website at [www.leapsf.org](http://www.leapsf.org). (The re-design of website is in progress).
- LEAP, the UCSF Center of Excellence in Women's Health, and SFGH Pediatrics were awarded a Haile T. Debas Academy of Medical Educators Innovations grant to improve the UCSF Medical School curriculum on family violence.

**Developed new educational materials:**

- LEAP developed a new low literacy, gender neutral safety plan and brochure to be used by victims of IPV in collaboration with staff from San Francisco Kaiser Permanente and La Casa de las Madres. Translation into twelve languages other than English is in progress. This brochure will be available on the LEAP website in the fall of 2009.

**Released new guidelines and articles:**

- LEAP collaborated with the Family Violence Prevention Fund (FVPPF) on developing guidelines on addressing IPV with male patients. Dr. Kimberg published a review article in the Journal of General Internal Medicine to accompany the FVPPF guidelines.

**Participated in:**

- LEAP chairperson serves as the official San Francisco Department of Public Health representative to the San Francisco Family Violence Council.
- LEAP members attend the multi-disciplinary Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT) run by La Casa de las Madres.

Your generous support allows LEAP to do this life-saving work! Thank you for making such a difference in the lives of so many families and individuals affected by domestic violence.