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Dear Colleague,

The current issue of *Domestic Violence Report* is the second of a two-issue series focusing on risk and lethality assessment and its role in protecting DV survivors. This is vitally important information for everyone who serves victims in a professional capacity, whether in shelters, ERs, police departments, or the courts.

The issue was guest edited by Jill Messing and Jacquelyn Campbell, who developed the ground-breaking "Danger Assessment" (widely known as the DA) lethality questionnaire in her work with the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing. Using the DA saves lives—it is an essential tool for professionals.

Risk assessment is important in the immediate aftermath of an attack, of course, in safety planning, but it also has important uses in court proceedings, including civil and custody matters, and in supporting asylum applications. This special issue provides advocates and practitioners with information on all of these applications.

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