

Metropolitan Center for Women and Children

LETHALITY ASSESSMENT

Survivor's name _____

Are any of the following factors present in the relationship? The greater the number of items checked indicates an increasing probability of danger. *Pay particular attention to the high priority category.*

High Risk:

- Threats of homicide or suicide _____
- Possession of or access to weapons _____
- Sense of ownership of battered person _____
- Depression or other psychiatric history _____
- History of law enforcement involvement _____
- Escalation of Violence _____
- Access to battered woman and/or family _____
- Fear of separation _____
- Recent or imminent separation _____
- Hostage-taking _____
- Substance Abuse _____

Moderate Risk:

- History of battering _____
- Threats of violence (even if no prior violence) _____
- Breaking objects (esp. treasured ones) _____
- Jealousy _____
- Controlling behavior _____
- Use of force during argument _____
- Isolation of partner and/or children _____
- Cruelty toward children or pets _____

Low Risk:

- Verbal abuse _____
- Dr. Jekyll/Mr. Hyde personality _____
- Rigid sex-roll stereotyping _____
- Hypersensitivity _____
- Blaming others for his problems or feelings _____

Interventions:

- Safety plan reviewed with survivor _____
- Law Enforcement notified (with written
Permission from survivor) _____

Which organization? Names: _____

Remember that Safety Plans should be constantly updated as circumstance changes.

Advocate

Date