D.C. Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Program

The District of Columbia's Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Program works with victims of violence connecting them and their families with government and community based services to promote healing and reduce revictimization and further violence.

Launched by the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants in 2015, the program uses supportive approaches tailored to the individual victim, including:

- Engaging with victims and their families in the aftermath of life-threatening intentional trauma to assist them with the short-term consequences of violence
- Maintaining long-term connection with victims and their families to help them heal from the lasting consequences of violence
- Connecting victims and their families with government and community-based services, including crisis intervention, case management, trauma-informed mental health services, and other support services

The program goals include increasing access to support services for victims of violence and their families, building relationships between victims and service providers that will be lasting and impactful, and reducing the risk of further victimization for the victim, as well as retaliatory violence.

**Participating Hospitals**

- Medstar Washington Hospital Center (MWHC)
- Howard University Hospital (HUH)
- UMD Prince George's Hospital (UMDPGH)
- United Medical Center (UMC)
- George Washington University Hospital (GWUH)

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