

FACTORS IN ORDERING OFFENDERS TO ANGER MANAGEMENT VS. FAMILY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS (FVIPs)?

	Anger Management	Certified FVIPs
Who is served by the programs?	Perpetrators of stranger or non-intimate violence.	Family violence offenders and protective order respondents.
Relevant statutes		O.C.G.A. 19-13-16(a) O.C.G.A. 19-13-10 et. al. O.C.G.A. 19-13-1
Are programs certified and monitored by a state agency?	No	Yes. Certification is administered by the Georgia Commission on Family Violence (GCFV) and the Georgia Department of Corrections (GDC).
What is the emphasis of the intervention?	Anger management programs focus on anger as the impetus for violence (Gottlieb, 1999). Violence is primarily seen as a reactionary behavior and as a result of a triggering factor.	FVIPs are specifically designed to intervene with perpetrators of intimate partner violence. Violence is viewed as learned behavior that is primarily motivated by a desire, whether conscious or unconscious, by the abuser to control the victim (Adams, 2003). Violence is seen as one of many forms of abusive behaviors chosen by abusers to control their intimate partners and family members, including physical, sexual, emotional and economic abuse
How long are programs?	Usually 6 to 20 classes, with the average being 12 classes.	24 classes. The national average duration 24 to 26 weeks.
How much do programs cost?	Unknown	The average cost per is \$28 and the most common cost per class is \$30 in Georgia. FVIPs are required to have a sliding fee scale for offenders declared indigent by the court.
Do programs contact victims?	No	Yes. FVIPs contract with DHS-certified or GCFV-approved domestic violence organizations to contact victims to provide referrals and safety planning.
Are group facilitators trained about domestic violence?	Subject to agency discretion.	Certification requires facilitators to have 80 hours of domestic violence training and 84 hours experience facilitating or co-facilitating family violence intervention classes.
How would I address grievances with this type of program?	Talk to the director of the program.	1) Talk to the director of the program. 2) Call GCFV.
What type of data collection occurs?	No statewide system.	GCFV and DCS have developed a statewide collection system.

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