

Intervention Centre for perpetrators of intimate partner violence and their partners

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- A 2-year test project
- Financed by the Ministry of Children, Gender Equality, Integration and Social Affairs
- Timeline:



OBJECTIVES

- Reduce the consequences of intimate partner violence
- Help the perpetrators and their partners to create a life without intimate partner violence
- Provide social, legal and psychological support and counselling + connect to further help

Target group

Male and female perpetrators and victims of partner violence
whom the police has visited due to domestic violence



Organization of the Intervention Centre

The police

Identifies cases of intimate partner violence + contacts couples individually + motivates them to get help at the Intervention Centre

National Organisation of Women's Shelters in Denmark

Provides counselling to partners
(2 *part-time social workers*)



Dialogue Against Violence

Provides counselling to perpetrators
(1 *full-time psychologist*)

Location of the Intervention Centre

7 municipalities
(Total number of municipalities
in Denmark: 98)



The police



The
Intervention
Centre



Social support,
psychological/
psychiatric
treatment,
abuse treatment,
etc.

The Intervention Centre

392 persons
referred to the
Intervention
Centre by the
police



73 persons
not interested
/ not possible
to contact
(18 %)

	Perpetrators	Partners
Men	87% (93)	3% (6)
Women	13% (14)	97% (206)
Total	100% (107)	100% (212)

319
persons

Perpetrators at the Intervention Centre compared to Perpetrators receiving treatment at Dialogue Against Violence

+ Shorter history of intimate partner violence

+ More severe psychological problems

+ More social problems

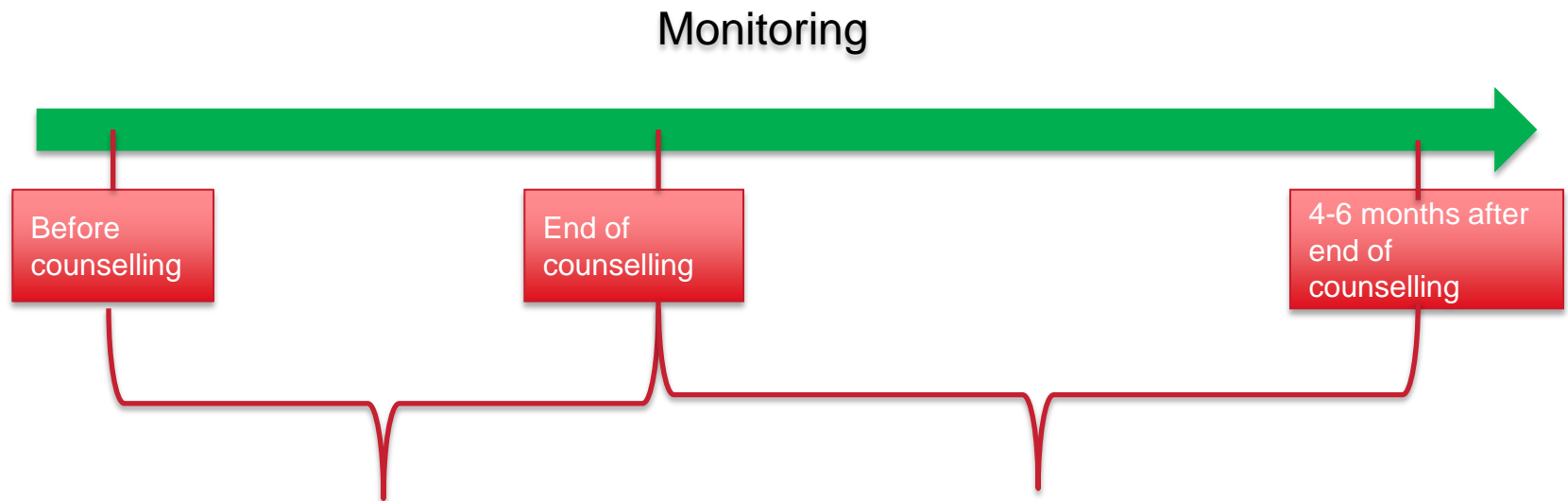
Women exposed to IPV at the Intervention Centre compared to women in women's shelters

+ To a lesser degree exposed to IPV in previous relationships

+ Shorter duration of exposure to IPV

+ More likely to have a job

Generally more resourceful than women in shelters



Significant improvement:

- Feeling of freedom
- Feeling of safety
- Feeling of empowerment

Sustained improvement!

Intervention Centre costs



1.100 EUR
per person

Includes: Administration, salaries,
contact to perpetrators and
partners who do not start counselling

Excludes: Rent for counselling facilities





**The National Board
of Social Services**