## Are you a victim of Domestic Violence?



Consult the Police when you have been subjected to Domestic Violence before the problem becomes more serious.

The Act for the Prevention of Spousal Violence and the Protection of Victims will protect you.

The Act for the Prevention of Spousal Violence and the Protection of Victims has been established in order to prevent spousal violence and protect victims.

In this Act

"Spouse" means a husband and a wife, persons in common-law marriage, persons in cohabitation (regardless of their gender), including cases where after being subjected to bodily harm by a spouse the other spouse has obtained divorce or annulment of the marriage but continues to be subjected to bodily harm by the former spouse.

"Violence" means bodily harm or words or actions which have a harmful influence to your body or mentality

- ex. Physical Violence  $\sim$  beating, kicking, choking, flinging, etc.
  - Mental Violence  $\sim$  threatening, using abusive language, ignoring, restricting your behavior, etc.
  - $\, \cdot \, {\rm Economic}$  Violence  $\sim \, {\rm not}$  giving living expenses, taking money away, etc.

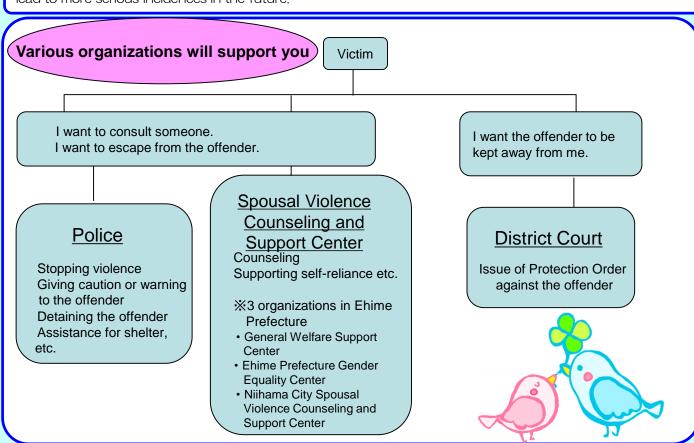
※ However, the violence for which you can request a Protection Order from the District Court is limited to cases when you have been subjected to bodily harm or threat to your life or body.

## DV in Dating

DV in Dating is the violence inflicted between a young couple going out (except in cases where they are in cohabitation).

Physical Violence such as beating or kicking, Mental Violence such as threats or restraint, Sexual Violence such as forcing sexual intercourse can constitute Domestic Violence in Dating.

Though it does not come under the terms of domestic violence in the Act for the Prevention of Spousal Violence and the Protection of Victims, it may come under crimes such as assault, threats etc. and it might lead to more serious incidences in the future.



## What is a Protection Order?

It is a court issued restriction order against an offender after receiving a request from a victim, who was subjected to bodily

violence or threat to his/her life or body by the offender, when he/she is likely to have serious damage by being subjected to further harm from the offender. There are three kinds of Protection Order as follows:

Restraining Order	Eviction Order	Prohibition Order against specific forms of behavior
To prohibit following the victim, spying on him/her at his/her domicile, workplace, etc.(for 6 months)	To evict the offender from a domicile which he/she has established as the base of his/her life with the victim, and prohibits the offender loitering around the domicile.(for 2 months)	<ul> <li>It is an order to prohibit the offender taking any of the matters listed below to the victim(for 6 months).</li> <li>Pressurizing him/her to meet</li> <li>Saying or implying anything that might lead him/her to believe that the offender is spying on him/her</li> <li>Behaving verbally/non-verbally in an excessively rude or violent manner</li> <li>Making silent calls, or calling, faxing or e-mailing him/her repeatedly except in unavoidable and emergency situations</li> <li>Calling, faxing, or e-mailing from 10:00 p.m. to 6 a.m. except in unavoidable and emergency situations</li> <li>Sending, presenting him/her anything that may provoke feelings of excessive disgust or aversion, such as excrement or animal carcasses or making situations in which he/she might notice</li> <li>Stating directly or indirectly anything that would harm his/her reputation</li> <li>Stating directly or indirectly anything that would cause him/her feelings of sexual embarrassment, or sending or presenting him/her any objects such as documents or images that would cause him/her feelings of sexual embarrassment.</li> </ul>

Those who break the Protection Order will be sentenced to imprisonment with labor up to one year or a fine of up to one million yen.

We will keep your secret and consider the best way to meet your request. You may consult with us anonymously, and may consult about someone close to you. Call <u>us and stop worrying alone</u>.

Police Counseling	Cases in Emergency		110			
Windows	Ehime Prefectural Police Headquarters Police Counseling Section		089-931-9110 (Counseling call) #9110 (Nationwide standard)			
	Web site	http://v	www.police.pref.ehime.jp			
	Counseling Window at Police Stations				Key number of Each Police station	
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	Ehime Prefecture Gender Equality Center			089-926-1644 (Counseling call)		
	Niihama City Spousal Violence Counseling and Support Center		e (	0897-65-1480 (Counseling call)		
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