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Ethical Challenges that Gender-Based Violence Intervention Researchers Face

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Protection vs. empowerment of research participants

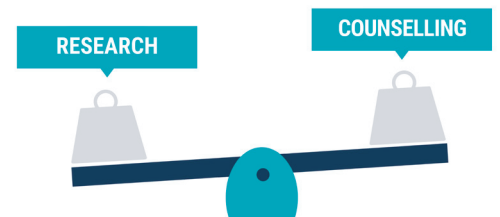
Trying to balance the protection and empowerment of research participants. We want to make sure that the research process doesn't reproduce the structural injustices which we are trying to explore or improve.



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Researcher vs. counsellor

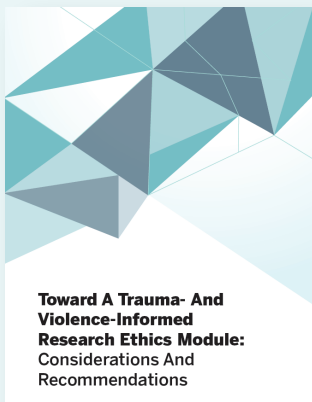
Maintaining the right balance between research and counselling roles. Sometimes we become concerned about the participant and feel motivated to take on more of a counselling role when we are supposed to be impartial. How do we deal with those situations?



3

Understanding organizational roles

Understanding roles of everyone involved in the research and communicating effectively. Sometimes there is a lack of communication or understanding of the roles and decision-making that community-based agencies have in the research process. How do we clarify roles?



Through scenarios these ethical dilemmas are explored and considerations are offered for addressing them, as well as recommendations for training.

To learn more about these ethical challenges to conducting research using a trauma-and violence-informed approach, check out:

Toward A Trauma- And Violence-Informed Research Ethics Module: Considerations and Recommendations