

Domestic Violence Offender Treatment Board (DVOT) Sunset Review:

Q&A Quick-Reference Answer Sheet

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Q1 Why do we need a statewide provider list?

It ensures every provider is vetted, trained, and approved — giving courts and supervising agencies a reliable, consistent referral system.

Q3 How does this improve public safety?

Shared standards and shared language mean faster, more accurate responses to risk and lethality — reducing recidivism and improving safety.

Q5 What problem existed before DVOT?

A fragmented system with inconsistent provider quality, inconsistent recommendations, and no statewide oversight.

Q7 Why adopt a statewide online database?

It provides real-time access to risk, needs, and compliance for courts, probation, law enforcement, and victim services — closing communication gaps.

Q9 How does this prevent intergenerational violence?

A unified response shows children that violence is not tolerated and accountability is real — breaking the cycle of harm.

Q2 What does the credentialing system do?

It verifies DV-specific training, competency, and ongoing education. It protects victims and ensures treatment quality.

Q4 Why is shared language so important?

Risk means nothing if everyone defines it differently. Now all systems communicate risk the same way.

Q6 How does this help victims and families?

It ensures that the people working with offenders are trained, qualified, and using practices that actually reduce violence.

Q8 Why should DVOT continue past its sunset?

Without DVOT, the statewide standards, provider oversight, and coordinated system we've built disappear. Public safety depends on this structure.