

Stopping Violence Services — New Zealand's Court-Linked Network of Non-Violence Programmes for Men

Gender Equality · Good practice · New Zealand

Quality score: 63/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

A nationwide network of 48 Ministry of Justice-accredited providers delivering mandated and voluntary group programmes for men who use family violence. Oldest provider (Christchurch) runs since 1983; 9,000+ referrals and NZ\$24m+ flow yearly, though effectiveness stays contested.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	0/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	0/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-03

[Stopping Violence Services network \(Ministry of Justice-accredited providers\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-03

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