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NC Model: *Compass Center*

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VIOLENCE IN ADOLESCENT RELATIONSHIPS

- 33% of youth in the U.S. report experiencing some kind of abuse in dating relationships.
- Violence that begins in teen dating relationships tends to progress into adulthood.



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LOVE IS NOT ABUSE

- Teens are often unaware that there is anything wrong or abnormal about these relationships.
- Formative age for establishing norms in relationships
- Love can become confused with control.
- Control is a strong precursor to physical violence.



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- Interactions between NGO and government sector
- SKW – The Swedish Model
- Youth empowerment

