

## **Role of Victim Advocate**

Explain Domestic Violence Explain the Victim Advocates role

Discuss security concerns and a safety plan

Provide victim and family with a community resource list

Provide support to the family and the victim

**Discuss finances** 

**Discuss the court system** 

Prepare the family for a roller coaster ride

Offer to set up counseling

Explain the effects on children

Walk the family through what is yet to come

Don't re-victimize the victim

Offer hope and healing

Contact the FBI and/or the US Attorney's office victim advocate if you can not be objective or un-bias





## **Role of the Emergency Room**

Entrance provided for victims of assault

Privacy measures should be taken during the examination/xrays/

Keep family informed of the victim's condition

Make sure the victim is seen by medical staff immediately upon arrival





## **Role of Law Enforcement**

Strict protocol should be in place and followed in situations like my sister's

Preferential treatment should not be given to the abuser

If you can not be objective and un-bias then maybe you should contact an outside source to handle the case

Support and respect should be offered to the victim

Make sure all security measures have been made for the safety of the victim

Mr. Jacob Florez said in his presentation at the Great Lakes Conference

"If you can't take the arrows then maybe just maybe it is time for you to get out."

