

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 5.509-6/19

IN RE: BATTERER'S INTERVENTION PROGRAMS
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Section 741.325, Florida Statutes, establishes the requirements that a Batterer's Intervention Program must meet in order to be included on a Circuit Court's list of providers. In September 2015, the Office of State Court Administrators recommended that Circuit Courts require their providers to submit an affidavit certifying compliance with the statutory requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority conferred by Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, it is **ORDERED** as follows:

1. To become an approved provider, an application and an "Affidavit of Compliance" must be submitted to the Administrative Office of the Court. A copy of the application can be found on the Court's website at <https://www.15thcircuit.com/program-page/bip>.
2. For current approved providers to remain on the Court's list of providers, an application and "Affidavit of Compliance" must be submitted to the Administrative Office of the Court within sixty days of entry of this Order. A copy of the application and affidavit can be found on the Court's website at: <https://www.15thcircuit.com/program-page/bip>.
3. The Court will form a committee consisting of the domestic violence judge, the family court manager, a public defender, and a state attorney to review applications to grant approval.
4. Approved providers must submit a new "Affidavit of Compliance" by December 1st of each year. Failure to submit an updated affidavit prior to the expiration of the current affidavit will result in automatic removal of the provider from the Court's list without further notice.
5. Providers are to update their contact information within fifteen business days of any change.

11  DONE and SIGNED in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this day of **June 2019**.


Krista Marx, Chief Judge