Funding Stream
Funding for Domestic Violence assessment may be accessed through Core Services once clients have exhausted other payment options (i.e., Tri-Care, Victim’s Compensation, etc.).

Definition of Service
• **Service goals are centered on promoting child and family safety and family protective capacity.**
• This is a diagnostic service that should be utilized when the victim is clearly identified and/or when the Caseworker needs detailed information to define treatment, for court, etc. or when criminal charges are pending. The purpose of the assessment is to recommend appropriate interventions and treatment. Assessments typically involve an interview, the completion of a mental status exam (if appropriate), the completion of a Trauma Profile, Substance Abuse and Mental Health screen and the completion of the Simple Screening Inventory (if appropriate) and other assessments as deemed necessary. Treatment recommendations are typically given. Please let the assigned assessor know when the next court date will be.
• The collection and review of collateral information must be obtained prior to completing the report and documentation of the collateral information must be included in the final written report. If unable to obtain collateral data within one week of the referral, the provider must outreach to caseworker/supervisor/Health Network care coordinator to facilitate collection of collateral information. Reports written without obtaining collateral information will not be reimbursed without prior approval from AspenPointe Health Network.

Estimated Length of Treatment:
Up to three hours

Frequency of Services:
Evaluator will need to meet with the client one time per year.

Provider Credentials:
• Licensed or have a Master’s degree

In addition to the above requirements, providers must have the following credentials to provide services for El Paso County clients.

• Have passed the State of Colorado written licensing exam in any one of the mental health licensing areas (LPC, LMFT, LCSW)
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- Demonstrate specialized training, workshops, or experience in Family Therapy and Risk/Safety Assessment with an emphasis on Domestic Violence Treatment

- A minimum of eight hours per year of continuing education, training, and workshops in Family Therapy with an emphasis on Domestic Violence will be mandated for all providers.

**Provider Responsibilities:**
Report required within ten business days of completed evaluation – both the Caseworker and Care Coordinator are to receive copies of the report.

**Caseworker Responsibilities:**
Refer to *Core Services Handbook or Provider Manual*. Additionally, you will need to:

- Include criminal history (for client) with referral
- Review completed assessment and access additional services as appropriate.

**Staffing:**
Each assessment should make treatment recommendations. There should not be a staffing for assessments, however, once treatment starts, staffings will need to occur every ninety days to address continued treatment.