## **Strangulation Questionnaire**

If at any time during an intake, the client discusses or discloses being 'choked' or strangled during an incident, discuss questions. This is a guide to better understand the dangers of strangulation.

#### 1.) Has the abuser strangled/choked you more than once?

🛛 1 time

2 to 3 times

4 or more times

Unsure

Notes:

### 2.) When you were previously strangled/choked what method was used?

Yes- with hands, arm, other body part (manually)
Yes- with rope, cord, or something placed around the neck

Notes:

#### 3.) Did you experience any of the following while you were being strangled/choked? Check all that apply.

 $\hfill\square$  Changes in vision or hearing

Feeling lightheaded or dizzy

Pass out or Black out

- Wake up not remembering what happened
- Difficulty breathing

Unsure

🗅 No

Notes:

## 4.) While being strangled/choked did you lose any bodily functions?

□ Urination – losing control of bladder

□ Defecation – losing control of bowels

Unsure

🗅 No

Notes:

#### 5.) Was anyone else present while you were being strangled/choked?

- Child/Children
- □ Roommate or other family member in the house
- Unsure
- No one was present at the time

Notes:

6.) Did the abuser say anything to you before or during the strangulation/choking happened? What were you feeling or thinking while it was happening? Do you know what made the abuser stop?

Description:

#### 7.) Did you experience any of the following changes immediately after being strangled/choked?

Breathing changes (difficulty breathing, hyperventilation (breathing very fast, unable to breathe, etc.)

- Uvice changes (raspy or hoarse, whispering or soft voice, coughing or unable to speak)
- □ Swallowing changes (trouble or painful swallowing, nausea or vomiting, neck pain)
- □ Bruising, scrapes or scratches, redness or swelling, etc.
- None of the above
- Unsure
- Other

Notes:

#### 8.) Was law enforcement involved? If so did the police officer(s) ask or talk to you about the strangulation/choking?

□ Yes law enforcement was involved, yes they spoke about the strangulation/choking

□ Yes law enforcement was involved, no they did not speak about the strangulation/choking

No law enforcement was not involved

Notes:

# 9.) Did you seek medical attention? If yes, did the medical provider ask or talk to you about the strangulation/choking? What medical procedures were conducted?

Description: