

# Personal Protection Orders Online Training

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The Michigan Judicial Institute has developed web-based training on Personal Protection Orders (PPOs). While the training was specifically designed for court staff, agency advocates and volunteers will also find the information very helpful.

The training includes an overview of domestic abuse and stalking, and it discusses how these issues affect families and children. Also described are the roles of the police, prosecutors, and judges in the PPO process.

The course contains five units:

1. Initiating a PPO Action
2. Paperwork and Court Action
3. After a PPO is Issued

4. Modified, Extended, or Terminated PPOs
5. Enforcement

A hypothetical PPO case is used to illustrate the various steps of the court system process. A number of other resources are also available through the site, including brochures for consumers, statute information, videos, and interactive PPO forms.

The training can be accessed at:

[www.ppowbt.net](http://www.ppowbt.net)

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