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DESCRIPTION: This chapter reviews the arguments for and against using restorative justice in intimate abuse cases, and outlines how important issues like safety may be enfolded into restorative treatment models.

DESIGN: To properly place restorative approaches in context, the authors briefly review the history of and research on intimate abuse treatment, particularly Batterer Intervention Programs, as well as the existing literature on the use of restorative justice in family violence cases. Results: They discuss the development of a new restorative treatment now being tested in Nogales, Arizona, that has taken the lessons learned from batterer interventions and restorative justice approaches in family violence to provide a safe, flexible, and egalitarian treatment program for couples and families affected by intimate abuse.