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Lisa Young Larance, PhD, MSW, LCSW, is a distinguished practitioner-researcher with wide-ranging clinical, community, and prison-based practice experience. Her direct service work includes providing individual trauma-informed therapy and co-facilitating intervention groups. Dr. Young Larance's macro-social work practice is rooted in meeting organizational and community needs while serving violence-involved families.

She is known globally for being an anti-violence intervention pioneer who created foundational and innovative community-based programming for diverse women with domestic and sexual violence survivorship histories brought to systems attention for their use of non-fatal force [See the Vista Program and curriculum (JBWS, Morris County, New Jersey, USA) and the RENEW Program (Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A.)]. She also co-developed and implemented Meridians for Incarcerated Women serving women housed in Michigan Department of Corrections facilities.

Dr. Young Larance's extensive consulting work includes the New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence (U.S.A.), Harmony House's Nurturing Hearts Violence Prevention Program (Hong Kong, China), the +SHIFT Program (Victoria, Australia), and the United States Air Force's Family Advocacy Program (Global). Her leadingedge scholarship focuses primarily on understanding systemsinvolved women's legal, child protection, and antiviolence intervention experiences.

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Dr. Young Larance investigates how women's institutional contact can both replicate intimate harm and facilitate positive change. Her insightful work emphasizes the strategies women employ to navigate surveilling systems and their agency in healing from trauma while creating community. She is widely published, most notably in Affilia: Feminist Inquiry in Social Work, BMJ Open, International Social Work, Journal of Interpersonal Violence, Psychology of Violence, and Violence Against Women. Summer 2023 Dr. Young Larance will begin an assistant professor position at Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research.