# **Inter-agency Victim Assistance Coordinating Committee (IVACC) Service Code Definitions for State Agencies Serving Victims**

#### **Grant Area Codes - CODES**

- 1. Child Abuse CA
- 2. Courts CR
- 3. Domestic Violence DV
- 4. Law enforcement LE
- 5. Prosecution PR
- 6. Sexual Assault SA
- 7. Victim Witness Assistance VA

**Specific Populations:** Cultural relevance and competence should be incorporated into all services provided. Cultural competency includes not only the possession of cultural knowledge and respect for different cultural perspectives but also having skills and being able to use them effectively in cross-cultural situations. (Cross et al. 1989; Orlandi 1995, Tirado 1996). For projects that serve specific populations, a designation of "SP" will be added to the end of the core service code. For example, an agency that is funded to provide a sexual assault hotline and support groups for a geographic area and community education within a specific population in that geographic area would be coded: SA-CI-1, SA-SS-1, and SA-P-2-SP

# **CORE SERVICES** (in alphabetical order)

# **BI Batterer's Intervention**

BI-1 Refers to programs which work with abusers to help them take sole responsibility for their actions and to control their violent behavior.

#### CI <u>Crisis Intervention</u>

- CI-1 \*\*Crisis hotline counseling (Peer Support) Refers to the operation of a 24-hour telephone service 7 days a week, which provides counseling, guidance, emotional support, information and referral, etc.
  - \*\* "Crisis Hotline Counseling" is a federal definition. In Ohio the term "counseling" can only be applied if the service provider is licensed as a counselor. If hotline workers are not licensed, use this category for reporting purposes but the service should be publicized in the community as a "crisis hotline" without using the work "counseling".
- CI-2 **Emotional support/Education/Crisis Intervention (Advocates/Peers) -** Refers to in-person emotional support or education/information provided by individuals who have completed the appropriate and relevant training but are not licensed. Such support may occur at the scene of a crime, immediately after a victimization, or be provided on an ongoing basis. Note: if these services are provided in a hospital, use CI-5 Medical Advocacy.
- CI-3 **Information and Referrals (in-person) -** Refers to in-person contacts with victims during which time services and available support are identified.

- CI-4 **Crisis Counseling (by licensed professionals** Refers to in-person crisis intervention, emotional support, and guidance and counseling, provided by licensed professionals. Such counseling may occur at the scene of a crime, immediately after a victimization, or be provided for a limited number of sessions.
- CI-5 **Medical Advocacy** The accompaniment of survivors to the forensic examination or other medical procedures necessitated by sexual assault or domestic violence, and the provision of education to the survivor regarding the healthcare system
- CI-6 **Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)** A team of professionals who coordinate their response to the report of a sexual assault in their community

# **CJSU** Criminal Justice Special Units

CJSU-1 Law enforcement, probation, or prosecutorial staff specializing in domestic violence or sexual assault populations.

# **CP** Children's Programs

CP-1 Refers to services for children, twelve and under, including childcare; may include all other services.

# **ES Emergency Services**

- ES-1 **Emergency Financial Assistance** Refers to cash outlays for transportation, food, clothing, emergency housing, etc.
- ES-2 **Emergency Legal Advocacy** Refers to the filing of protection orders, injunctions, and other protective orders, elder abuse petitions, and child abuse petitions but *does not* include criminal prosecution or the employment of attorneys for non-emergency purposes, such as custody disputes, civil suits, etc., provided by attorneys.
- ES-3 **Emergency Childcare -** For dependents of victims receiving services.

# LA Legal Advocacy

LA-1 **Court/Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy -** Refers to in-person or telephone support, assistance, and advocacy provided to victims at any stage of the criminal justice process, including post-sentencing services and support.

- **LA-2** Court Accompaniment
- LA-3 Notification of Court Dates, Status of Offender
- LA-4 **Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims -** Includes making victims aware of the availability of crime victim compensation and assisting the victim in completing the application. May also include follow-up contact with the victim compensation agency on behalf of the victim, and assisting with emergency claims. It is the responsibility of the applicant to file the form.
- LA-5 **Protection Order Assistance -** Any information provided about protection orders or assistance in filing of protection orders

#### **P** Prevention

- P-1 **School Aged Youth K 12** Activities include classes for students on primary prevention that may include promoting healthy relationships and changing attitudes and behaviors.
- P-2 **College Based Programs** Activities include classes for students on primary prevention that may include promoting healthy relationships and changing attitudes and behaviors, or other campus activities.
- P-3 **Community** Presentations to community groups on issues related to sexual assault, domestic violence, and/or crime victims.
- P-4 **Self Defense**

#### PA Public Awareness

- PA-1 **Media Campaigns/Public Awareness** Includes efforts to make the public aware of services available through the victim service program, such as distribution of literature, posters, brochures, etc.
- PA-2 **Community Events** Examples include vigils, marches, clothesline projects, silent witness events, health fairs, etc.
- PA-3 Resource Libraries
- PA-4 **Media Advocacy** –The use of the mass media to gain visibility and advance a specific message and/or a social or public policy change or initiative through the use of editorials, interviews, media events, letters to the editor and/or paid ads.

#### R Research

R-1 Research

### **RS** Residential Services

- RS-1 **Shelter** Refers to offering short-term housing and related support services to victims and families following a victimization.
- RS-2 **Transitional Housing -** Refers to longer term non-permanent housing and related support services to victims and families following a victimization.
- **RS-3** Safe Houses

#### SANE Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner

SANE-1 A program operated in a hospital or other emergency medical facility that provides immediate, compassionate, culturally competent and comprehensive forensic evaluation and treatment by trained, professional nurse experts within the parameters of state laws and licensing regulations.

# **SCA** Systems Change Advocacy

- SCA-1 **Taskforces/Coalitions/Councils (Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Specific)** Representation on community multi-agency task forces.
- SCA-2 **Coordinated Community Response (Protocols)** Collaboration with agencies developing new policies and protocols
- SCA-3 **Technical Assistance** Refers to technical assistance done with other agencies in the community, such as law enforcement, prosecutors, court personnel, health care providers, social service providers, etc, to improve their response to victims of crime. Examples include community audits, monitoring of batterer's programs, court watch, SANE start-up, focus groups, mentoring, outreach and fatality review.
- SCA-4 Community Needs Assessment

# **SS** Support Services

- SS-1 **Group Peer Support** Refers to in-person emotional support or education/information provided in a group setting, facilitated by individuals who have completed appropriate and relevant training but are not licensed.
- SS-2 **Group Counseling -** Refers to services provided by a licensed professional in a group setting, responding to issues arising from the occurrence of victimization.
- SS-3 Ongoing Individual Counseling/Therapy (By Licensed Professional) Refers

to intensive professional psychological and/or psychiatric treatment for individuals, couples, and family members related to counseling to provide long-term emotional support in crisis arising from the occurrence of the victimization. This includes the evaluation of mental health needs, as well as the actual delivery of psychotherapy.

- SS-4 **Case Management** Coordination of a service plan for clients. Service plan may include medical treatment, public assistance, other financial assistance, safety planning, advocacy with community groups on clients behalf; referral and additional services.
- SS-5 **Transportation -** Trips the agency provides to service recipients either directly or through financial assistance.
- SS-6 Social Service/Personal Advocacy Refers to assisting victims in securing rights, remedies, and services from other agencies; locating emergency assistance, intervening with employers, creditors, and others on behalf of the victim; assisting in filing for losses covered by public and private insurance programs including worker's compensation, unemployment benefits, welfare; accompanying the victim to the hospital, assistance provided to secure and/or maintain housing on behalf of a victim.
- SS-7 **Follow Up Contact -** Refers to in-person contacts, telephone contacts, and written communications with victims to offer emotional support, provide empathetic listening, check on a victim's progress, etc.

#### **SVC Supervised Visitation Centers**

SVC-1 Secure facilities that provide supervised visitation, pick up/drop off services, and may offer parenting classes or other support services.

# T <u>Training</u>

- T-1 **Basic Crisis Intervention Training** on domestic violence or sexual assault, including other topics necessary to providing a basic crisis response for victims.
- T-2 **Basic Profession-Specific Training** on domestic violence or sexual assault for law enforcement, medical professionals, prosecutors, court personnel, children's services, mental health, or educators.
- T-3 **Advanced Training** may be topic specific.
- T-4 Culturally Specific and/or Cultural Competency Training

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Please list the grant area codes and core services that are being provided with the grant funds and corresponding match. As well, please list the primary county/counties that are receiving the applicable services: