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**Coordinated Community Response to Sexual Assault in Your Community:
An organizational Self-Assessment Tool**

CORE SERVICES FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS

1. What is the purpose of a Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)?
2. Does your community have a SART? Yes _____ No _____
 - a. If yes, name 3 individuals or organizations who serve on the SART:
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____
3. Name 4 organizations or service providers in your service area that you think should be part of a CCR to sexual assault:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____

MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS

1. Is there a SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) serving victims in your community?
 - a. If no, where can a victim get a SANE exam?
2. Who pays for the SANE exam in your state?
3. Is a victim who gets a sexual assault forensic exam required to report the assault to law enforcement?
4. May a minor get a SANE exam without parental notification?
5. May an undocumented victim get a SANE without the assault being reported to law enforcement?
6. Will an undocumented victim be charged for the forensic medical exam?

LAW ENFORCEMENT

1. Is your community a “secure community?”
2. Will the police report a rape victim who is undocumented to the Department of Homeland Security?
3. Will the police take a police report in the case of an immigrant rape victim who calls the police for help?
4. Will the police use a qualified interpreter or a language line to communicate with a rape victim who is Limited English Proficient?
5. If not how do they communicate with an LEP victim?
6. Do police departments, sheriffs and/or state police have practices, consistent with policies of the Department of Homeland Security, that result in the signing of U visa certifications in cases of immigrant rape victims?
7. Does campus law enforcement always report a campus-related rape or sexual assault to the local law enforcement agency?

RAPE CRISIS CENTERS (RCC)

1. What language capacity does your local/regional RCC have?
2. Does the rape crisis center (RCC) in your service area provide confidential services to victims who are minors?

VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA)

1. Do immigrant rape victims receive assistance from VOCA funded agencies in your state?
2. Can immigrant rape victims receive VOCA crime victim’s assistance in your state?

STATE FUNDED PUBLIC BENEFITS FOR IMMIGRANT CRIME VICTIMS)

1. What state and federally funded services necessary to protect life and safety are available to all immigrant victims of rape in your state?
2. What state funded public benefits (health care, TANF replacement programs, child care) are open to rape victims who have filed their applications?

CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES

1. What is the name of your local/regional/state legal aid office?
2. Does it provide legal services to victims of non-intimate partner sexual assault?
If yes, on what kinds of legal matters?
3. Name a legal services agency in your state that serves undocumented victims of sexual assault:
4. Does your local legal aid serve victims who are minors (i.e., where the primary victim/client is the minor)?
5. Briefly describe how intakes are conducted at your local legal services provider (e.g., By phone? In-person? 24-hours? 9 to 5? Weekends? On call? By appointment only or drop in? Every day or only certain days? Only at the office or at other sites too?)
6. When an immigrant rape victim seeks help from the legal services agencies in your state do they ask intake questions first about crime victimization or about the victim's immigration status?
7. Does the legal aid charge clients? Is there a sliding fee scale?

CONCENTRATED HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS

1. Do you have specific populations or communities in your service area that are at especially high risk for sexual assault? If so, which populations are they?
 - a. Which institutions are most integrated into serving those populations?
 - b. Are those institutions part of the formal or informal SART response?