**Critical Elements and Agency Leadership**

Critical Elements and Agency Leadership for Sexual Assault Response—SART Assessment and Review

The purpose of this inventory is to encourage the multidisciplinary sexual assault response team to discuss and review which services are and are not offered, by which agency(s), and if duplication/overlap of services is a potential problems.

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| Receive report of victim sexual assault |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Activate other services on behalf of sexual assault victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ensure initial safety for victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Offer info/options to victim about services, decisions, costs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine need/consent for medical care |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arrange transportation to/from medical care |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advise victim of evidence preservation steps |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Work with secondary victims (family, friends, witnesses) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Record victim’s statements/condition |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine extent of medical attention and emergency care |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Identify need and refer victim for emergency medical care |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inform victim of evidence collection/receive authorization |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine if victim wants advocate support during medical and/or forensic exam |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine need and provide interpreters for victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine need for mandated reporting requirements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine need and activate legal guardianship |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conduct forensic examination |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Collect and preserve evidence from the victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provide clothing/amenities for victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Test for pregnancy/provide treatment for STD/EC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Obtain victim standards |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Risk assessment/referral for suicide risk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arrange for transportation home |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inform victim of followup care resources |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provide followup/aftermath services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Determine location of scene |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine need for crime scene activation/resources |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Determine if assailant is still nearby |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investigate crime scene, trace evidence, photos, etc. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Search warrants |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Collect suspect/assailant standards |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inform/assist victim with CVRC reimbursement claim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inform victim of law enforcement investigation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Keep victim informed of case status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inform victim of pre-trial hearings and motions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accompany victim through legal proceedings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Consider needs/rights of victim in scheduling proceedings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inform victims of reasons to consider a negotiated plea |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Describe optional courses of action for victim |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ensure opportunity for victim impact statement as part of sentence considerations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Include victim needs as part of sentence, such as restitution |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notify victim about changes in offender status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notify victim of scheduled parole hearings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provide opportunity for victim testimony at parole hearings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notify victim of release and status of release |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Train/educate co-responding agencies on what each program does and what services are provided by each agency |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Develop materials and outreach for public about services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Target hard-to-reach or at-risk populations about services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Review sexual assault cases to improve interagency response |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Share/compare data, trends, and timelines of how sexual assault cases move between systems |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |