**Outreach Training for Professionals**

**FACILITATOR’S GUIDE**

**PURPOSE**

This training is for sexual assault advocates to provide short trainings to multidisciplinary professional audiences. Not all service providers and law enforcement have the time (or make the time) for a comprehensive training on sexual assault and community response – so this training is intended to be short, accessible, and as an outreach tool as well as a training tool.

**PRIORITY AUDIENCES**

Primary – professionals within systems and institutions who are likely to be working with survivors of sexual violence:

* Law enforcement, including SROs, corrections, and probation.
* Community health centers.
* Mental health and substance abuse treatment, including school-based supports.

Secondary—professionals and community members who are likely to work with folks who have experienced trauma and/or with vulnerable populations and/or populations specific to rural communities.

* Homeless services, food pantries.
* Alternative medical providers.
* Home schooling community.
* Providers working with older adults, LGBTQ+, immigrant/refugee, veterans.
* Faith communities.
* Civic service (rotary clubs, etc)

**SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE PARTICIPANTS WILL GAIN**

1. What sexual assault support centers do.
2. The definition and prevalence of sexual violence.
3. The impact of sexual violence.
4. Local resources for survivors of sexual violence.
5. Basic response to disclosures.
6. How to connect a survivor to the local sexual assault support center.
7. How to get more training.

**Time:** 25-35 minutes

**Materials:** PowerPoint

**Handouts:** Responding to Disclosures

**Outreach Materials to bring for distribution:**

Posters & bookmarks

Brochures & palm cards

Swag

Volunteer signup sheets

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| **LENGTH** | **SLIDE** | **CONTENT** | **ACTIONS** |
| **2 MIN** | **1-2** | **SUPPORTING SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE**1. Introductions
2. Overview of the purpose
 | Remind people to take care of themselves  |
| **4 OR 9 MIN** | **3-5** | **DEFINING SEXUAL VIOLENCE**1. Sexual violence is defined by the person who experiences it.
2. Defining consent - Consent can be defined in many ways, but it is generally considered by our community to be the Informed, Willing, Enthusiastic Presence of Yes.
 | 1. Share the definition.
2. Ask the group: What examples of sexual violence can you think of? (prompt – hands on, hands off, digital, etc)
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| **4 MIN** | **6-8** | **STATISTICS/PREVALENCE**1. The statistics tell us that sexual violence is pervasive and that it affects all of us.
2. Some populations experience higher rates of violence.
 | 1. Why are some populations more at risk for sexual violence?
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| **3 OR 8 MIN** | **9** | **IMPACT OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE**1. It impacts everyone differently.
2. Impacts all aspects of someone’s life.
3. Immediate and on-going effects.
 | Ask the group:* What are some of the impacts of sexual violence?
* What can we be doing to support survivors?
* How might survivors show up in your work?
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| **5 MIN** | **10** | **DISCLOSURES**1. If someone trusts you enough to disclosure, you are already a resource for them.
2. Survivors may not know what they want or what their options are.
3. Know your role and know how to make a referral.
 | Share the handout1. Review the Do’s and Don’ts of disclosure.
	1. Ask folks if they can think of other things.
2. Review what to say.
	1. Ask folks if they can think of other things
	2. Ask if they have any concerns about disclosures.
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| **2 MIN** | **11-12** | **SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER**1. What sexual assault support centers do
2. What advocates do
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| **2 MIN** | **13** | **OUR PARTNERSHIP**1. Review outreach offices and how to make a referral
2. We depend on your partnership to support survivors.
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| **1 MIN** | **14** | **FOR MORE TRAINING**1. Review contact info for more training or collaborations.
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| **1 MIN** | **15** | **CLOSING**1. There are a lot of ways that you can combat sexual violence in your everyday life.
 | Hand out outreach materials. 1. How can you continue this conversation?
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**25-35 MIN TOTAL**