

Sexual Violence and People with Developmental Disabilities

Action Plan

ISAC Meeting



- Continue with PCAR to offer -Intro to Sexual Violence and the intersection with people with developmental disabilities in SFY 2018-2019.
- On 5/11/2018: The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape (PCAR) Training and Technical Assistance Team recently met with ODP, The Arc, statewide advocacy groups, stakeholders and others, to identify needs and priorities for prevention and responses to sexual violence in the lives of people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and older adults.



- Update The Training Partnership Guide "The Power to Know and Say No-Sexual Abuse Awareness for Self-Advocates"
- Expand Support for SAU1 Peer to Peer Empowerment Trainings across the state
 - 12 trainings on Sexual Abuse Awareness by and for self-advocates through 3/31/19
- Work with partners to support individual education
 - HCQUs, ASERT, LRCCs (Local Rape Crisis Centers), and other training partners
 - Focus on: Body autonomy, Healthy sexuality, & Caregiver culture; Giving choice and control to people for all aspects of their lives



- Enhance Certified Investigator curriculum
- Encourage and support professional development for all levels of the system involved in the review/closure of incident reports
 - Trauma informed practices
 - Victim Centered Service Planning
 - Supporting Choice and Control
 - Sexual Abuse Education
 - Prevention
 - Recognition
 - Reporting
 - Victim Services



- Licensing interpretive guidelines will include a standardized method to manage sexual abuse allegations
 - Accessing victims assistance and the legal system
 - Connect this back to the Individual Rights regulations
- New Staff Orientation Training required for providers in the new regulations that includes abuse, neglect, exploitation
 - ODP developing module that includes basic identification and how to respond if individual discloses



- Release the Victim's Assistance resource guide for support professionals
- Develop a Victim's Assistance resource guide for selfadvocates

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