

SEXUAL ASSAULT ADVOCATE/COUNSELOR TRAINING

OVC's Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC) provides training to support professional development, enhance services to the community, and expand outreach to underserved victims of crime.

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The focus of this training is on crisis intervention rather than long term counseling to deepen your understanding of sexual assault and the major roles of an advocate/counselor.

This training is designed primarily for sexual assault advocates/counselors who are volunteers or staff at rape crisis centers. Through case studies, role-playing, and other interactive exercises, you will build the basic skills to provide competent, effective, and sensitive crisis intervention services to sexual assault victims/survivors.

Others who may benefit from this training include nurses, physicians, law enforcement officers, and professional counselors who do not have specific sexual assault training.

BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS 2.5-DAY TRAINING, YOU WILL:

- Define your role in relation to others working as part of a sexual assault response team.
- Practice how to respond to a crisis call reporting recent sexual assault.
- Develop a “toolkit” of crisis intervention techniques to support recovery from sexual assault.
- Formulate a personalized self-care plan to prevent burnout.

CEUs are available upon successful completion of the training.

HERE'S HOW TO GET STARTED

APPLY EARLY.

Request a training at least 90 days prior to the event date.

LET PEOPLE KNOW.

Conduct outreach to local and regional partners to participate in the training. Enroll up to 40 participants, but there must be a minimum of 30 participants at the training.

FIND A PLACE TO HOLD THE TRAINING.

Secure a training facility and cover facility costs (including audio-visual equipment).

RELAX.

OVC TTAC will arrange for the training event to meet your needs on your schedule.

