The SART Protocol: A Blueprint for a Coordinated Response

Using the example from the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department, develop an outline for your agency SART protocol (available at: www.justdetention.org/en/Advocate-Resources/SART-toolkit.aspx). As you do this, consider:

- What staff members should be involved in each of the steps?
- What policies are already in place that should be referenced in the protocol?
- What practices are in place that can be codified in the protocol?
- What policies or procedures need to be developed?

Include instructions for:

1) Coordinating prevention and detection efforts
2) Handling a report or suspicion of risk of imminent sexual abuse
3) Duties following suspected or reported incident of sexual abuse
4) Preparing for transport to or arranging for a medical forensic exam
5) Facility staff duties during the medical forensic exam
6) Handling when a forensic exam is not conducted
   a) because the exam is not evidentiarily or medically appropriate
   b) when the survivor declines the forensic exam for any reason
7) Returning the survivor to the facility, following the exam, or after acute care has been provided
8) Providing follow-up care
9) Monitoring and protecting reporters from retaliation
10) Longer-term duties, such as victim notification

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