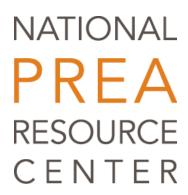
#### Welcome!

#### **Webinar information**

- We will begin at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.
- The audio for today's web conference will be coming through your computer speakers. If you do not hear any sound coming from your speakers, or if you're experiencing any other technical difficulties, please send a **Private Chat** to Vedan Anthony-North or email her at vanthonynorth@vera.org
- If you have any questions or comments throughout the presentation, please send those to Margaret diZerega through **Private Chat** or via email at mdizerega@vera.org











# Developing Partnerships with Community-Based Service Providers Part I

November 13, 2013

Notice of Federal Funding and Federal Disclaimer – This project was supported by Grant No. 2010-RP-BX-K001 awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The Bureau of Justice Assistance is a component of the Office of Justice Programs, which also includes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, the National Institute of Justice, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the Office for Victims of Crime, and the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking. Points of view or opinions in this document are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the U.S. Department of Justice.

#### PREA Resource Center

### **National PREA Resource Center (PRC)**

PRC was established through a cooperative agreement between the Bureau of Justice Assistance and NCCD. The mission of the PRC is to assist adult prisons and jails, juvenile facilities, lockups, community corrections, and tribal facilities in their efforts to eliminate sexual abuse by increasing their capacity for prevention, detection, monitoring, responses to incidents, and services to victims and their families.



#### Vera Institute of Justice & Just Detention International



#### INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE

Vera was founded in 1961 and combines expertise in research, demonstration projects, and technical assistance to help leaders in government and civil society improve the systems people rely on for justice and safety.



Just Detention International (JDI) is a nonprofit health and human rights organization that seeks to end sexual violence in all forms of detention.



### Webinar Agenda

- 1. State-Level Partnerships and Victim Services in Washington State Department of Corrections Facilities
  - Beth Schubach, WA State Department of Corrections
  - Stephanie Condon, WA State Office of Crime Victims Advocacy
  - Andrea Piper-Wentland, WA Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs
- 2. County-Level Partnerships and Victim Services in Barnwell County, South Carolina
  - Deloris Charlton, Barnwell County Detention Center
  - Anne McKibbin, South Carolina Victim Assistance Network



## Washington State Department of Corrections

- 17,550 offenders in 12 prisons and 16 work release facilities across the state
- Approximately 92% male and 8% female
- Average length of stay for offenders released in the past year was 24 months





- DOC also supervises approximately 15,450 offenders on active community supervision throughout all 39 counties
  - 44% were incarcerated in a DOC facility prior to supervision
  - 56% are directly from jail RESOURCE
     or the courts



## The Office of Crime Victims Advocacy



The **Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA)** serves as a voice within government for the needs of crime victims in Washington State.

Established in 1990, OCVA serves the state by:

- Advocating on behalf of victims seeking needed services and resources.
- Administering grant funds for community programs working with crime victims.
- Assisting communities in planning and implementing services for crime victims.
- Advising local and state government agencies of practices, policies, and priorities which impact crime victims.



## The Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs



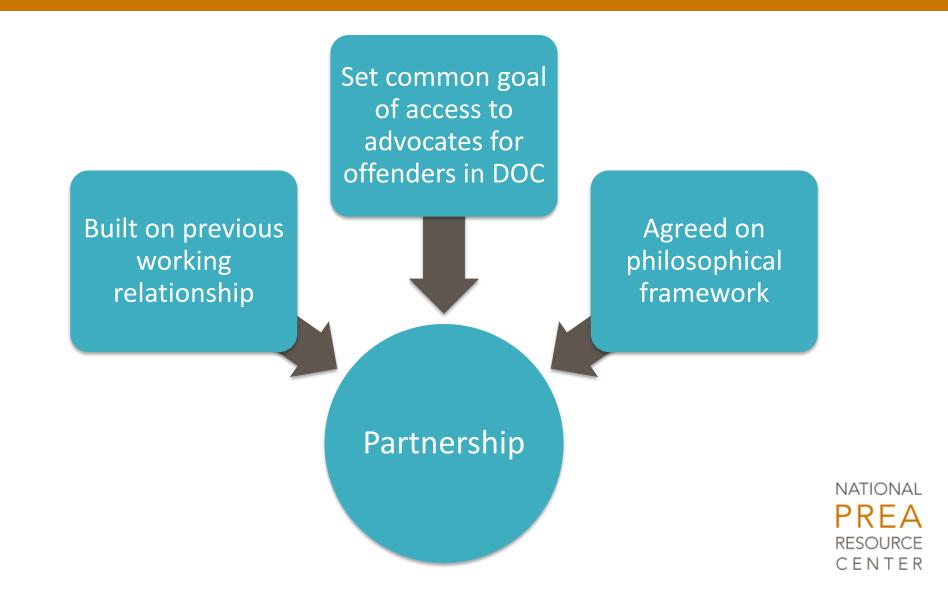
The Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs (WCSAP) is a non-profit organization that strives to unite agencies engaged in the elimination of sexual violence. WCSAP provides information, training and expertise to program and individual members who support victims, family and friends, the general public, and all those whose lives have been affected by sexual assault.

#### Our activities include:

- Public Policy
- Resources and Publications
- Technical Assistance
- Trainings



### Developing the Partnership



#### Overview of Process

- > Identify who should be at the table
- > Commit time and resources
- Make an effort to understand each other
- > Decide on a service package
- > Implement and train



### The Process: Getting Started

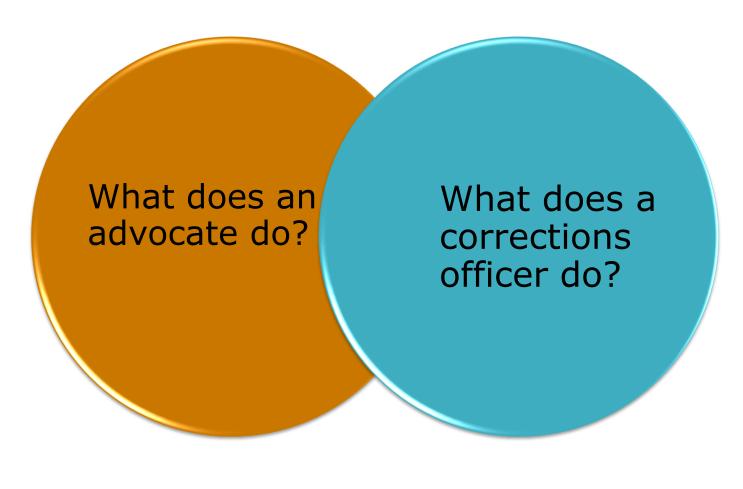
#### First steps

#### **Each entity committed to:**

- Weekly meetings
- Brainstorming potential issues and impacts
- Discussion of differences in practices and terminology
- Honest discussions of why we do what we do
- Honest commitment of resources
- Decision-making based on demographics and data
- Implementation plans based on the services available in the community
- Continuous interface between partners and stakeholders



## The Process: Understanding Each Other





## The Process: Deciding on a Service Package

Goal: Statewide access to the full range of services available in the community for incarcerated survivors

Crisis intervention, information, and referral Medical, legal, and general advocacy Systems coordination and advocacy Support groups Therapy



### Preparing Advocates and Corrections Staff

## Preparing advocates and corrections staff for implementing service delivery is key for success

- > Build readiness
- Use credible representatives from both fields
- Create an implementation plan that makes sense
  - Phase in services, rather than introducing many changes at once
  - Evaluate existing local services and determine the best programs for facilities



#### Victim Services in DOC Facilities

Phase 1

Victim advocate hotline

Phase 2

 Response to forensic medical exams

Phase 3

 On-site interactions between advocates and offenders



#### Recommendations

- Create a forum and a process that promotes mutual respect and understanding
  - Listen to each other
  - Honestly address concerns, perceptions, and processes
  - Build trust
  - Retain humor
  - Take the time needed to build a foundational understanding
- Understand that this is personal both for advocates and for many DOC staff



### Recommendations, Contd.

### Create concrete take-aways

- Posters and brochures
- Acronym list
- Photo of victim advocate for transport officer

#### Train and tour

- Exam rooms with only one exit
- Drills and exercises



## County-level Partnerships and Victims Services in Barnwell County, SC



**Cynthia Totten, Esq. Senior Program Director**Just Detention International



## Barnwell County Detention Center



**Deloris Charlton Jail Administrator**Barnwell County Detention Center Barnwell, SC



## Barnwell County Detention Center



Medium security housing unit at Barnwell County Detention Center



## Barnwell County Sheriff's Department



#### **BARNWELL COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

**SOUTH CAROLINA** 

HOME

Departments

Location

History

**Court System** 

**County Council** 

Forms

Bids

**Employment** 

Education

Recycling

**Emergency Services** 

**Homeland Security** 

Other Links

**Contact Us** 

Holiday Schedule

HOME > DEPARTMENTS

#### Sheriff Department

Sheriff Ed Carroll § 803-541-1078 P.O. Box 384 Barnwell , South Carolina 29812-0384



Operation Hours Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Welcome to the Barnwell County Sheriff's Department. I hope you find the information informative.

The Barnwell County Sheriffs department has recently moved into a new building which has provided our employees greater work space and a more conducive environment.

The Barnwell County Sheriffs department exists to serve all people with respect, fairness, and sensitivity. We are committed to the prevention of crime and the protection of life and property; the preservation of peace, order, and safety; and the enforcement of laws and ordinances.



## Barnwell County Detention Center



Medium security housing unit at Barnwell County Detention Center



### South Carolina Victim Assistance Network



Anne McKibbin, PhD, RN
Statewide Forensic Nurse
Examiner Coordinator
South Carolina Victim Assistance
Network



### South Carolina Victim Assistance Network



https://www.facebook.com/SouthCarolina Victim Assistance Network



## Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)

#### What is a SART?

- Multi-disciplinary team
- Specializes in coordinated, survivor-centered response to sexual assault
- SARTS lead to better care for survivors and stronger investigative outcomes



## Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)

#### What are goals of a SART?

- Encourage survivor's healing and well-being
- Eliminate sexual abuse in the facility
- Ensure compliance with PREA
- Strengthens investigations



### Community-Based SART

#### A community-based SART includes:

- Rape Crisis Advocate
- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)
- Law Enforcement Officer
- Prosecutor



### Key Members of Institution-Based SARTs

#### **Key Members:**

Members' roles may vary depending on a facility's population and needs, but will include staff from the following suggested departments:

- Administrator
- Classification Supervisor
- Chief of Security
- Institutional Investigator
- Internal Affairs Investigator
- Mental Health Staff
- Medical Staff



## Developing an Institutional Coordinated Response Plan (§115.65)

#### A written institutional plan should include:

Instructions for first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership, including:

- Immediate steps to be taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse (§115.65), or when an inmate is at substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse (§115.62)
- A policy to protect from retaliation for all inmates and staff who report sexual abuse or cooperate with investigations (§115.67(a))
- Agreements with community service providers (§115.53(c))
- Sexual abuse incident reviews (§115.86)





**Deloris Charlton Jail Administrator**Barnwell County Detention Center Barnwell, SC





Anne McKibbin, PhD, RN
Statewide Forensic Nurse
Examiner Coordinator
South Carolina Victim Assistance
Network



#### The Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons





### Outside Reporting Mechanisms

#### §115.52 Inmate reporting:

(b) The agency shall provide at least one way for inmates to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity that is not part of the agency, and this is able to receive and immediately forward inmate reports...to agency officials, allowing the inmate to remain anonymous upon request.



### PREA's Role for Rape Crisis Advocates

## §115.21 Evidence protocol and forensic evidence examinations:

(d) –(e)The agency shall attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center...[to] support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews and shall provide emotional support, crisis intervention, and referrals.

## §115.53 Inmate access to outside confidential support services:

(a) The facility shall [give] inmates mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations...



## Jail Agreement with Local Rape Crisis Center

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

October \_\_, 2013

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into between BARNWELL COUNTY DETENTION CENTER (BCDC), and THE CUMBEE CENTER TO ASSIST ABUSED PERSONS (Cumbee Center), and is written to facilitate an agreement between the parties for services related to goals and implementation of federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) mandates.

### I. UNDERSTANDING, AGREEMENTS, SUPPORT AND RESOURCE REQUIRMENTS:

#### A. BARNWELL COUNTY DETENTION CENTER (BCDC) agrees to:

- Make involvement of certified rape crisis advocates a component of the standard response to a report of sexual abuse and/or a request for help from a survivor of
- Any time that an incident or allegation of sexual abuse is discovered or reported within 120 hours of the incident, BCDC will transport the victim of sexual abuse to Barmwell County Hospital for a forensic medical exam, and to meet with a rape crisis advocate from the Cumbee Center.
- 3) If the incident occurred more than 120 hours prior to the report, BCDC will ensure that the victim receives a medical evaluation and any needed treatment; a mental health evaluation; and contact information for the Cumbee Center.
- 4) Facilitate follow-up, whenever possible, between the inmate and a Cumbee Center advocate by mail or telephone while the inmate is detained by BCDC. BCDC will also provide Cumbee Center contact information to all inmates upon release. This should be done without regard to the presence or status of an investigation.
- Provide inmates with confidential, 24-hour access to the Cumbee Center's rape crisis hotline, at no cost, through the inmate telephone system.
- Respect the confidential nature of communication between Cumbee Center advocates and clients detained at BCDC.
- Ensure that Cumbee Center advocates are cleared to enter the Jail for meetings, training sessions, or to meet with clients. Provide for other logistical needs, such as a private meeting space for counseling sessions.
- Facilitate the placement of informational placards with instructions on how to access the Cumbee Center's rape crisis hotline in areas visible to inmates.

Memorandum of Understanding Barnwell County Detention Center and the Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons Page 2 of 2

- Communicate any questions or concerns to the Cumbee Center staff.
- B. THE CUMBEE CENTER TO ASSIST ABUSED PERSONS (Cumbee Center) agrees to:
- Respond to requests from BCDC to provide advocacy when inmates are brought to Barnwell County Hospital for sexual assault forensic exams.
- Respond to calls from BCDC inmates received on the Cumbee Center's rape crisis hotline.
- Provide follow-up services and crisis intervention contacts to victims of sexual assault at BCDC, as resources allow.
- Work with designated BCDC officials to obtain security clearance and follow all facility guidelines for safety and security, as necessary.
- Maintain confidentiality of communications with clients detained at BCDC.
- Communicate any questions or concerns about the MOU to BCDC.

#### II. TERM OF MOU:

This MOU shall begin October \_\_\_, 2013 and continue until it is terminated by either party.

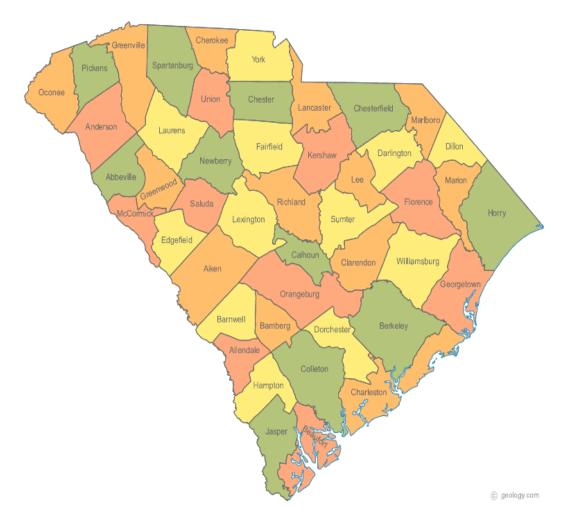
#### III. MOU TERMINATION AND MODIFICATION:

This MOU may be terminated, without cause, by either of the parties with no less than thirty calendar days' written notice. The MOU may be terminated by either party, with cause, with two days written notice.

Otherwise, any modification must be agreed to and signed by both parties and attached to this MOU as a modification.

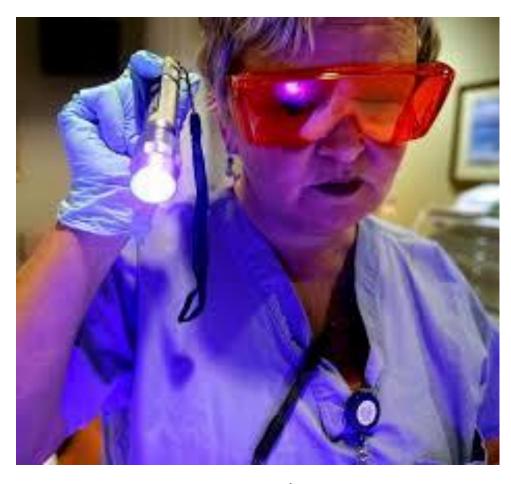
Barnwell County Detention Center Representative	Date
Cumbee Center Representative	Date







Map of South Carolina, 46 Counties



Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)/Forensic Nurse Examiner (FNE)





Barnwell County Hospital







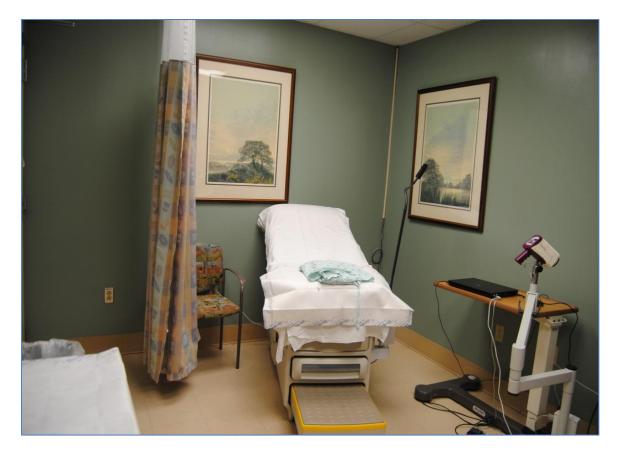




#### §115.54 Third Party Reporting

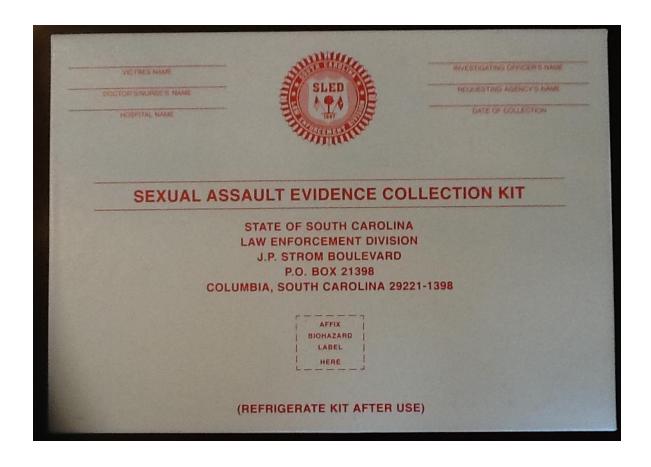
The agency shall establish a method to receive thirdparty reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment and shall distribute publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of an inmate.





Sexual Assault Exam Room (Palmetto Health Regional Hospital, Columbia, SC)





SC Law Enforcement Division (SLED) Evidence Collection Kit Supplies, Envelopes, Swabs, 6 page Protocol, 13 step Guide (kit instructions)





Evidence Collection Kit Supplies: Envelopes, Swabs, Seals, Blood Collection Tubes, etc.



### **Upcoming Webinar**

## **Developing Partnerships with Community-Based Service Providers – Part II**

Date/Time: Wednesday, December 4, 2013

2:00-3:30pm EST

Register now at: http://bit.ly/17KxgR4

For More information: http://bit.ly/1fhtDDK



### Questions?

We will now take questions from our participants. Please send those to Margaret diZerega through Private Chat or via email at mdizerega@vera.org, and we will ask them on your behalf.

A recording of this webinar and a copy of the PPT will be available on the PREA Resource Center in a few days.



#### For More Information

For more information about the **National PREA Resource Center**, visit www.prearesourcecenter.org. Ask questions at info@prearesourcecenter.org.

Michela Bowman
PRC Co-Director
mbowman@nccdglobal.org

Jenni Trovillion PRC Co-Director jtrovillion@nccdglobal.org Tara Graham Sr. Program Specialist tgraham@nccdglobal.org

For more information about the **Vera Institute of Justice**, visit www.vera.org. Direct questions to contactvera2@vera.org.

#### Connect with Vera:



www.facebook.com/verainstitute



@verainstitute

For more information about **Just Detention International**, visit www.justdetention.org. Direct questions to info@justdetention.org.

#### Connect with JDI:





