

# Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women

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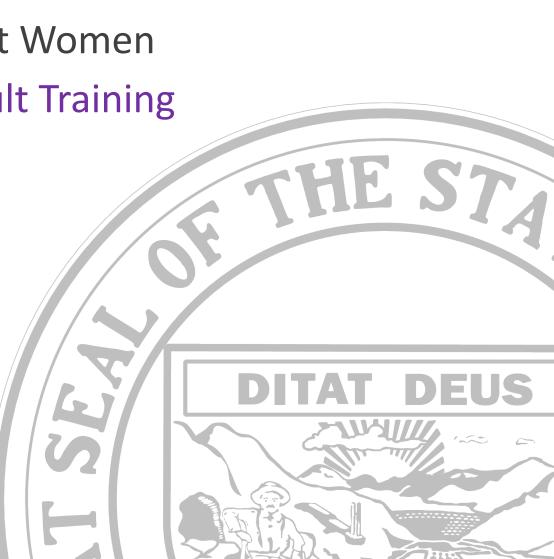
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Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women New Life Center Statewide Sexual Assault Training Angela Rose, New Life Center



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# Sexual Assault

Investigation Training Program



# Foundations of the Training Program

Trainers are subject matter experts in their field

Trainings are AZPOST certified

#### All trainings:

- Incorporate a multidisciplinary training approach
- Are victim-centered
- Are trauma informed
- Include current best practices
- Include relevant and up to date case studies
- Supported by our Community Partners

# Training Topics

- Basic Interviewing of Adult Sexual Assault Cases\*
- First Responder Training\*
- One-Party Consent Calls<sup>\*</sup>
- Cold Case Investigations in Sexual Assault Cases
- Interviewing Sexual Assault Victims/Neurobiology of Trauma\*
- Courtroom Testimony and Presenting the Case at Trial
- Interviewing the Sexual Assault Suspect\*
- Sexual Assault Offender Behavior
- Sexual Assault Cases in Indian Country
- Sex Trafficking Investigation\*
- Interviewing Developmentally Delayed Adults

# Changes in 2020/1

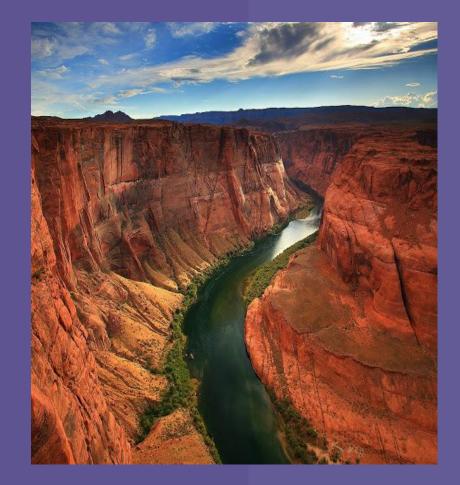
Transitioned to a webinar-based training model

Condensed curriculum to accommodate web-based learning

AZPOST approval process started over

Transitioned back to in-person May 2021

Hybrid training model moving forward



# Training to date-Contract Start

#### **Trained 416 people**

- 325 Law Enforcement Officers
- 24 Prosecutors
- 22 Probation Officers
- 45 Victim Advocate/other professionals

#### **Attendees have represented**

- 9 Counties
- 51 Law Enforcement Agencies
  - State University/Colleges
  - Tribal Nations
  - FBI
  - Attorney General's Office

# Training FY 2020/1

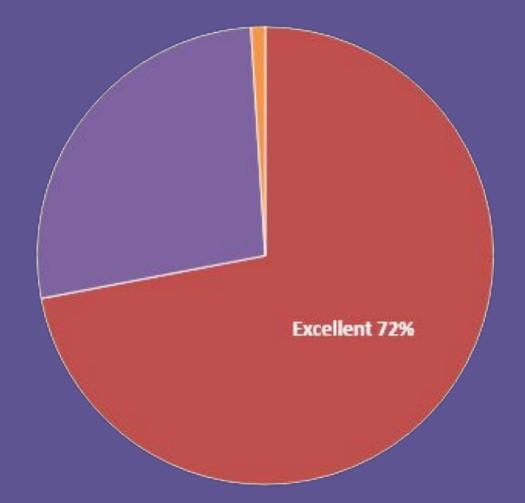
Trained 215 people

- 183 Law Enforcement Officers
- 15 Prosecutors
- 2 Probation Officers
- 15 Victim Advocates



# Attendee Evaluations

What is your overall rating of this training?



January 2020-June 2021

# Attendee Comments

- Excellent Program. Well presented with up-to-date information. The fact is it is a free class was one of the nicest parts and enabled me to attend (Casa Grande, 2019).
- Gave me a better perspective of the victims and the reason behind their actions during post incident interviews (Casa Grande, 2019).
- The instructors were very knowledgeable and did a great job using real life examples (Prescott, 2020).
- Fantastic class, very well presented. Instructors well prepared and knowledgeable (Camp Verde, 2021).
- Glad to have the opportunity to attend! I would like to attend more trainings from New Life (Camp Verde, 2021)
- Personal experiences shared/audio examples of real cases (Camp Verde, 2021).
- Combining the views from Prosecution and Law Enforcement was invaluable (Yuma, 2021).
- Absolutely excellent! The best part was having a dual presentation of a Prosecutor and Investigator (Yuma, 2021).
- Well executed, good information, and the expertise of the trainers was very applicable and helpful (Yuma, 2021).
- All patrol officers and Sergeants should take this training (Yuma, 2021).
- The audios put the training/techniques into perspective, very good examples. The presenters are very knowledgeable and interactive (Tucson, 2021).
- Not sure what you could improve A+ (Tucson, 2021).
- Very interesting material. It gave me a lot to think about for my investigations (Tucson, 2021).
- This training applies directly to my cases and I will definitely use it (Tucson, 2021).



## Next Steps

Resume in-person Basic Interviewing training around the State

One-Party Consent Call training in Coconino County in September (tentative)

Continue expanding training catalog

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Thank you to the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family for your support of this Training Program.



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## Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women Arizona's Child and Family Advocacy Network Trevor Umphress, ACFAN



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ARIZONA CHILD & FAMILY ADVOCACY NETWORK

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# Arizona Child and Family Advocacy Network



NATIONAL CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE®

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### • Mission statement

ACFAN supports the establishment, sustainability and improvement of child and family advocacy centers throughout Arizona.

#### • Vision

We will have success when a coordinated multidisciplinary response to victims of child abuse, sexual assault and family violence is the standards throughout Arizona



# **ACFAN History**

- 1974 US Congress passes the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA)
- 1988 Congress amends CAPTA to include the Children's Justice Act (CJA)
- 1989 AZ receives it's first CJA grant (\$180,000 est.) Governor Rose Mofford appoints the first CJ Task Force (CJTF)



## History cont. 1996

- Mesa Center Against Family Violence
- Safe Child Center
- Southern Arizona Children's Advocacy Center
- First Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) training takes place in Tucson
- Advocacy Center Network (informal meetings)
- 1999 ACFAN becomes a 501c3 (June 11<sup>th</sup>)
- 24 FAC/CAC through Arizona, Mobile unit, satellite offices



# What is a center?

• An *advocacy center* is a comprehensive, *victim focused program* based in a facility that allows victim advocates, forensic interviewers, medical professionals, mental health providers, child protection professionals, prosecutors, and law enforcement to work together assisting a victim on their journey from victim to survivor.



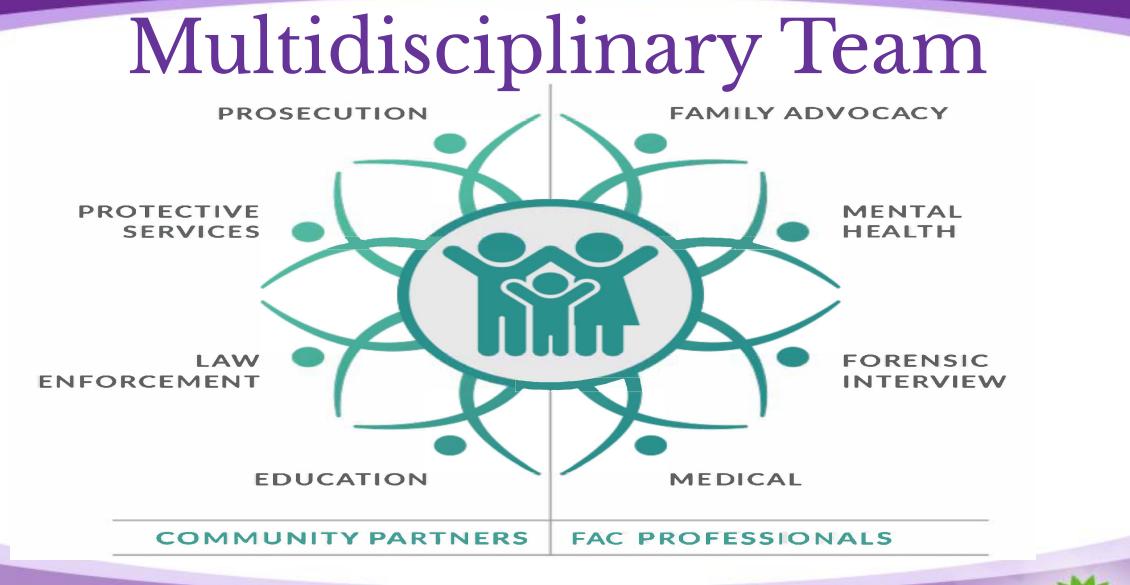
# What sets Arizona apart? acfan

# Victims Served

- Domestic Violence
  - Physical Abuse
  - Emotional Abuse
  - Social Abuse
  - Sexual Abuse
  - Economic Abuse

- Child Abuse
  - Physical
  - Sexual
  - Neglect
- Elder Abuse
- Sexual Assault
- Human Trafficking





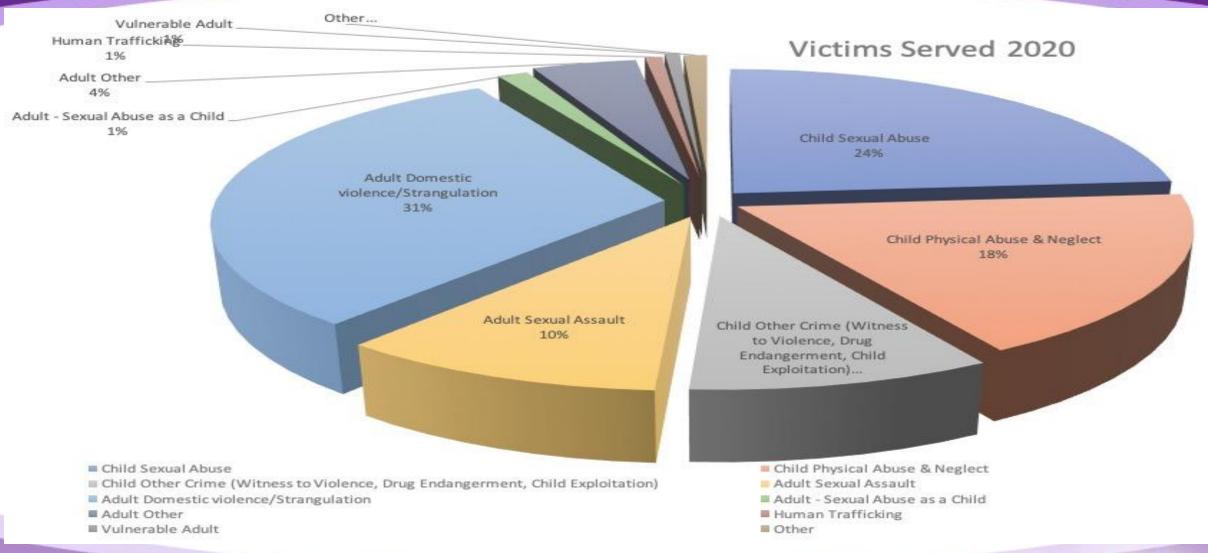


# Without Center With Center



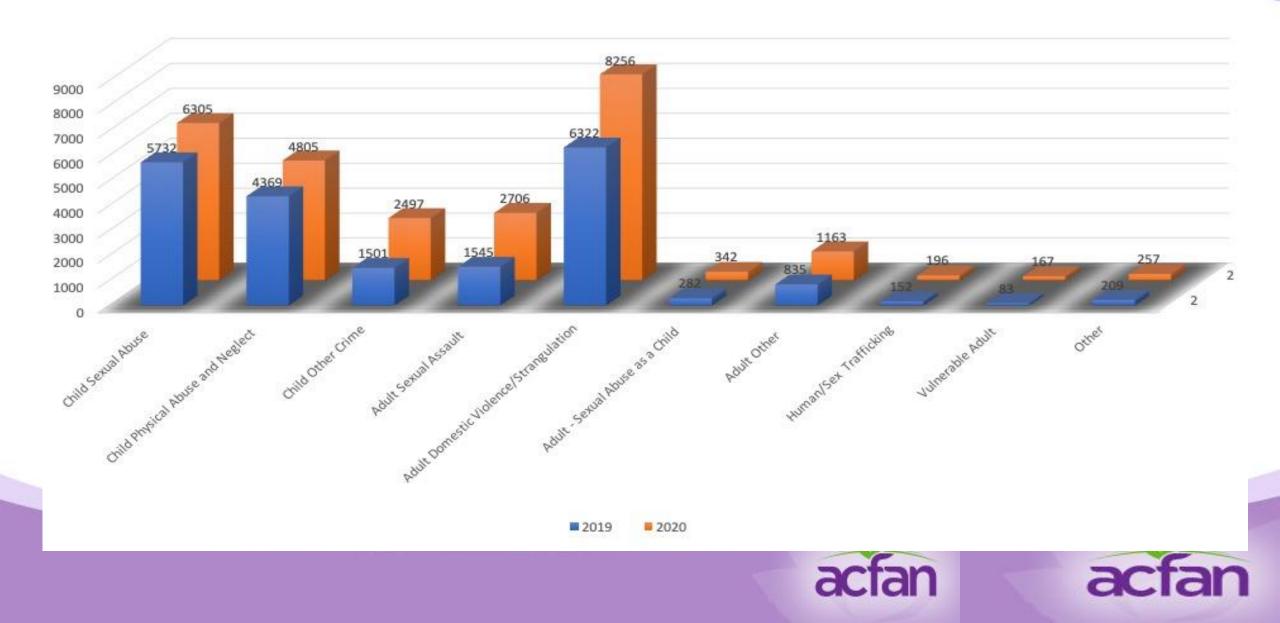


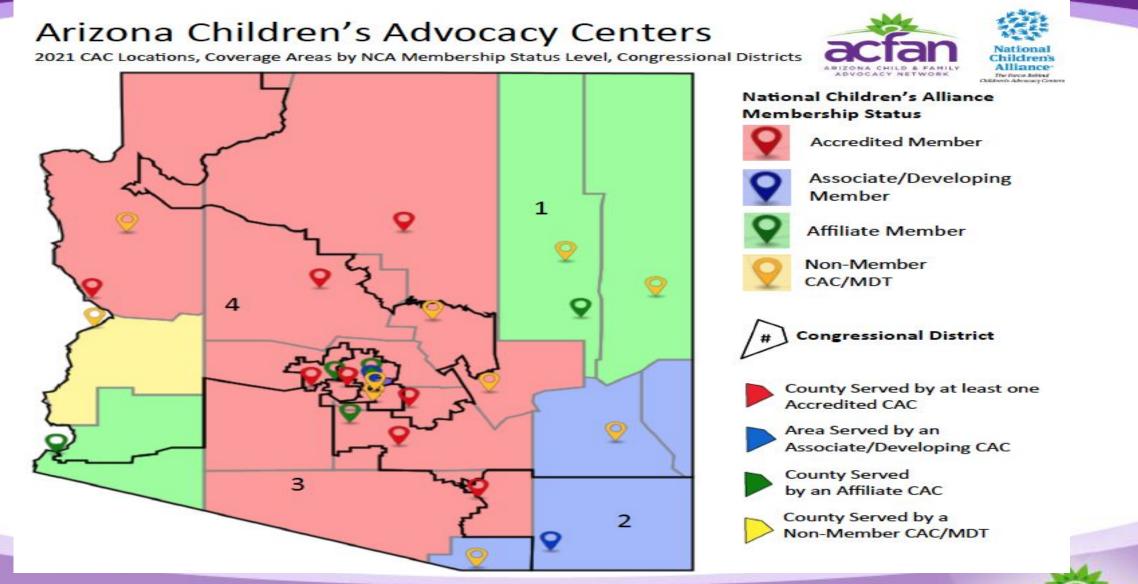
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#### 2019/2020 Comparison

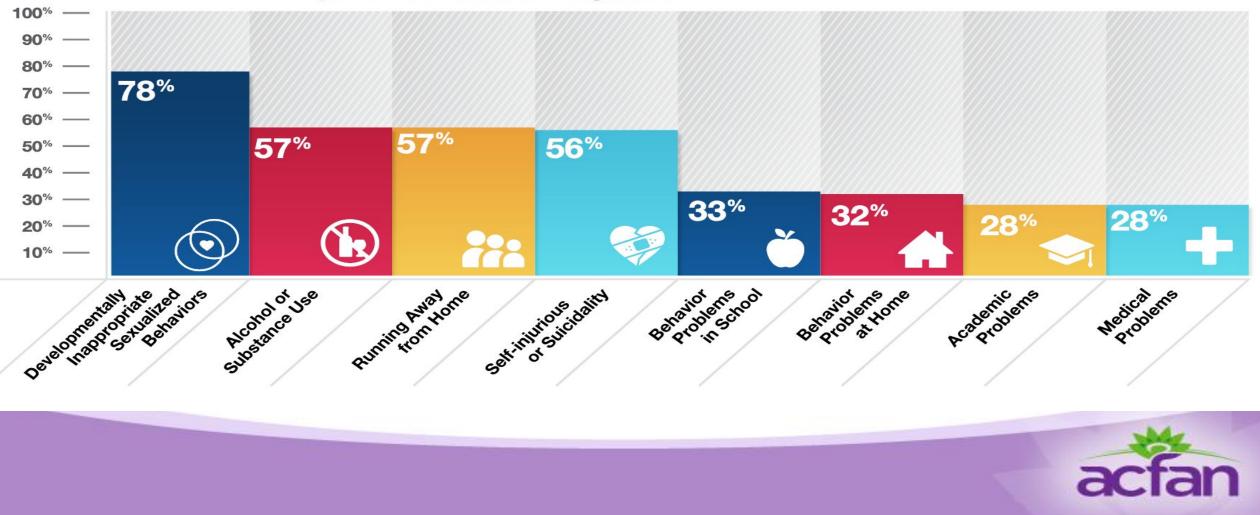




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#### **Evidence-based treatments (EBTs) improve outcomes** for children. Below are percentages of children who stopped experiencing these major life

problems after receiving EBTs.<sup>3</sup>



# The Outcome Measurement System

- What is OMS and how does it work?
- Outcome Measurement System (OMS) is a standardized, research-based set of surveys designed to measure Family & Children's Advocacy Center(FAC)/(CAC) performance based on feedback from families and multidisciplinary team (MDT) members. The program is coordinated by the National Children's Alliance (NCA), the accrediting body and membership association for FACs/CACs in the United States and beyond. It is provided free of charge to all NCA members and by annual fee to non-members.



# The Outcome Measurement System

#### OMS helps CACs

- 1 increase the quality of services provided to children and families, and
- 2 improve the collaborative efforts of MDT members through four primary surveys:
  - Initial Visit Caregiver Survey
  - Caregiver Follow-Up Survey
  - Multidisciplinary Team Survey
  - Youth Feedback Survey (starting in 2020)

Each survey takes only a few minutes and can be offered through many methods, including:



- Computer or tablet at the center
- Paper surveys on-site or by mail
- Email, text, or handouts with survey links
- Phone calls with staff, interns, or volunteers





# The Outcome Measurement System

#### How can Centers use OMS results?

- Improve service delivery by identifying strengths and challenges.
  - Boost staff/team morale by demonstrating areas of excellence.
  - Redirect unsuccessful work practices by identifying areas for improvement.
- Be part of a nationwide system and compare an individual FAC's/CAC's results to state, regional, and national data.
- Give clients and MDT members a voice in the FAC/CAC process.
- Establish common goals and prioritize programs to strategically invest resources.
- Increase the likelihood of securing funding.
- Enhance the public image of the FAC/CAC by including results in public awareness campaigns to show how clients benefit from services.







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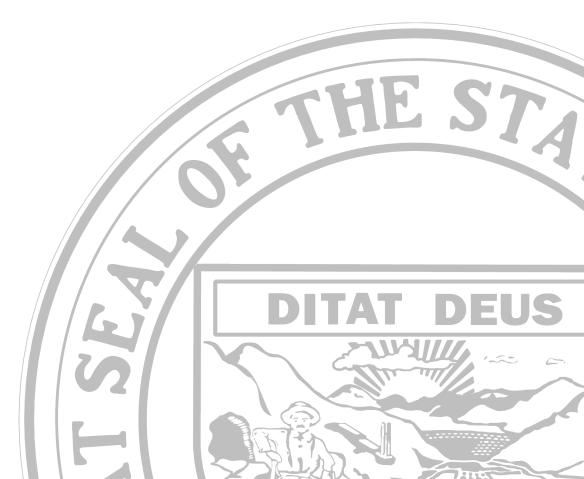


# Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women Arizona Child & Adolescent Survivor Initiative (ACASI)

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# Arizona Child & Adolescent Survivor Initiative (ACASI)



**Arizona State University** 









## The Arizona Child and Adolescent Survivor Initiative (ACASI) mission is to foster the healing of intimate partner homicide survivors.





**ACASI** provides free, statewide services to children and adolescents who have lost a parent/primary caregiver to intimate partner homicide (IPH). Current caregivers of child survivors also receive ACASI services.





# **Intimate Partner Homicide:** Homicide by a current or former significant other/intimate partner



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## Uniqueness of ACASI

First program of its kind

#### Services are not time limited

Serve any child survivor (birth-age 21)

Regardless of when IPH occurred, we can serve the family



# **Intimate Partner Homicide Statistics**



Over 3,000 children per year in the U.S. lose a parent to intimate partner homicide

In 35% of the families with children, a child witnessed the intimate partner homicide

From 2003-2014, 55.3% of homicides with female victims, were intimate partner homicides
Tucson

Walnut Gul

## Impact on Child Survivors

Children often lose both parents simultaneously: one to the homicide and the other to incarceration/suicide/fleeing

Siblings are sometimes separated

Home is often a crime scene

Shock, anxious, & overwhelmed (PTSD symptomology)

"No talk" rule

Complex issues with loyalty and identity re: the offending parent



### Impact on Caregivers

Shock due to nature of death
Traumatic loss and no time to grieve
Demands of instant caregiving
Financial stressors
Multisystem involvement
Prior trauma, family dynamics







### **Referral Sources**

- Crisis Responders
- Victim Service Providers
- Department of Child Safety
- Family Advocacy Centers

- •Law Enforcement
- Schools
- Community OrganizationsSelf

Any organization can be a referral source



#### To make a referral...



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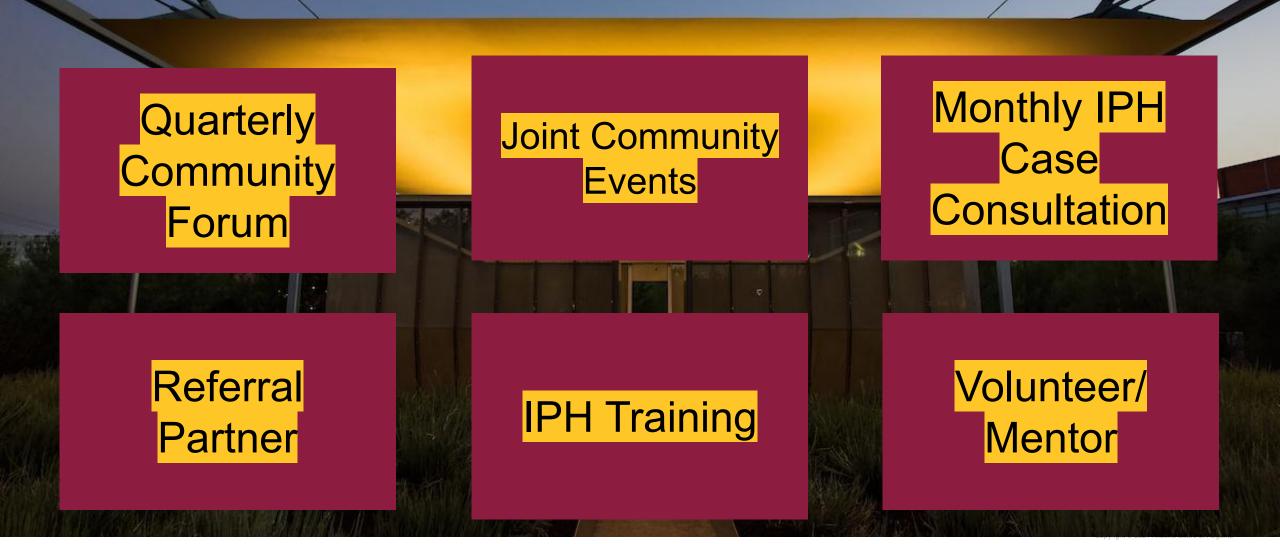
#### Once referral is received...

# ACASI staff calls family within 24 hours to schedule an intake

#### ACASI staff notifies referral source when intake has been scheduled



#### **Collaborative Opportunities**



# Thank you!

# Questions?

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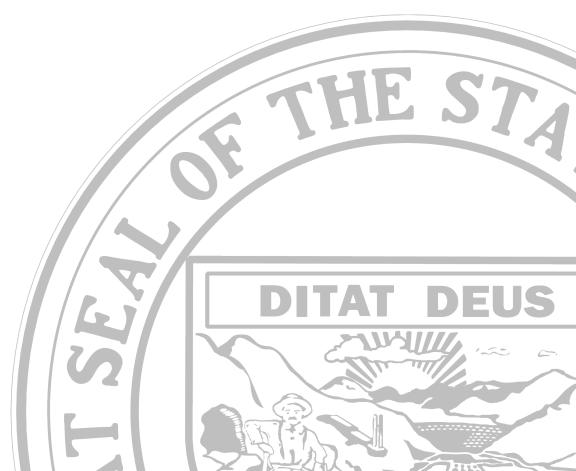
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### Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women Lighting Arizona Purple (LAP) Update

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