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New Life Center Statewide Sexual Assault Training

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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*
• 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

Excellent 72%
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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Arizona’s Child and Family Advocacy Network

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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 11th)
- 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?
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
Multidisciplinary Team

- Prosecution
- Family Advocacy
- Protective Services
- Mental Health
- Law Enforcement
- Forensic Interview
- Education
- Medical

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Arizona Children’s Advocacy Centers
2021 CAC Locations, Coverage Areas by NCA Membership Status Level, Congressional Districts

National Children’s Alliance Membership Status
- Accredited Member
- Associate/Developing Member
- Affiliate Member
- Non-Member CAC/MDT

Congressional District
- County Served by at least one Accredited CAC
- Area Served by an Associate/Developing CAC
- County Served by an Affiliate CAC
- County Served by a Non-Member CAC/MDT
Evidence-based treatments (EBTs) improve outcomes for children. Below are percentages of children who stopped experiencing these major life problems after receiving EBTs.³
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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Arizona Child & Adolescent Survivor Initiative (ACASI)

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The Arizona Child and Adolescent Survivor Initiative (ACASII) 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
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.
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 Organizations
- Self

❖ Any organization can be a referral source
To make a referral...

Call (602) 496-1327
Email acasi@asu.edu
Visit asu.edu/FVC/acasi
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

Quarterly Community Forum

Joint Community Events

Monthly IPH Case Consultation

Referral Partner

IPH Training

Volunteer/Mentor
Thank you!

Questions?

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Lighting Arizona Purple (LAP) Update

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