Sexual Assault Treatment Program
Improving the health and safety of communities and families

Purpose
The Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) Sexual Assault Treatment Program provides comprehensive crisis intervention, advocacy and treatment services to sexual assault and abuse victims and their families.

Strategic Goal
Mobilize and enhance local assets that strengthen community ability to meet the economic and social needs of Washington’s families, workers and employers.

Results and Achievements
- An accredited community sexual assault program (CSAP) serves every county in Washington.
- About 10,000 new clients receive services each year, 57 percent of those who receive services are children.
- Community capacity supported through 95 grants with service providers administered by OCVA.

Services
- Alleviate acute and long-term distress resulting from sexual assault.
- Provide support and assistance to victims and their families and caregivers to enhance their recovery from sexual assault.
- Assist victims in gaining access to the legal system.
- Support victims throughout the legal process to ensure their interests are represented and rights are upheld.
- The full range of services available includes crisis intervention, information and referral, legal advocacy, medical advocacy, general advocacy, systems coordination, support groups, medical social work and therapeutic interventions.

Fast Facts
- The program serves child and adult victims of sexual abuse and assists families and significant others of abuse victims.
- More than one-third of the state’s women have been sexually assaulted during their lifetime.
- Nearly 80 percent of sexual assaults occur prior to age 18.

Statutory Authority
RCW 43.280
Applications, activities, minimum requirements

RCW 70.125
Definitions, activities

RCW 74.14B.060
Children’s services

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