

Working to end sexual violence in Maryland

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<u>Comprehensive Rape Crisis/Sexual Assault Center – Certification</u>

This program standards certification, through June 30, 2022, will permit programs to review their compliance and self-certify.

As you know, the MCASA Program Standards were reviewed by three committees chaired by executive directors of one of Maryland's CSAP and committee membership included executive directors and senior leadership from CSAPs across the state, They were also reviewed and edited by MCASA staff, including Executive Director Lisae Jordan. There are 3 sets of standards and a set of definitions that apply to all. The subject matters addressed are:

- 1) Core Training Requirements and Clinical Standards
- 2) Advocacy and Legal Services
- 3) Agency Organizational Standards

MCASA certification is required in order for comprehensive rape crisis/sexual assault program to be eligible for funding under Criminal Procedure §11-923(f).

The attached standards are unchanged from last year. Though unchanged this year, the program standards will continue to evolve with further input from the field as they are applied during the coming state fiscal year.

Note that the certification this year includes a question regarding sexual assault survivors served. This data is required for certification and important to our ability to advocate for your programs.

This certification is for the following program: Name and Title of Program Director (generally the Executive Director, CEO, or similar): 1) Sexual Assault Survivors Served The program listed provided direct services to the following number of sexual assault survivors (include all sexual assault survivors, including children and adults, and including those who also qualify as survivors of other types of abuse such as sex trafficking, IPV, child abuse, etc): July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 2) Substantial Compliance Certification This certifies that the comprehensive sexual assault program listed above is currently and will continue to be in substantial compliance with the following MCASA Program Standards through June 30, 2022: Core Training Requirements and Clinical Standards Advocacy and Legal Services Agency Organizational Standards

MCASA Comprehensive Sexual Assault Certification – through June 2022

a. This certifies that the comprehensive sexual assault program listed above is in partial compliance with the following MCASA Program Standards and will take action to be in full compliance as described below:
Core Training Requirements and Clinical Standards
Advocacy and Legal Services
Agency Organizational Standards
b. For each program standard that is not being met, please attach a plan identifying the program standard, how the program standard will be met in the future, and the timeline for resolution.
This certifies that the information above and all attached plans for meeting program standards in the future are true and correct. This further affirms that additional information will be provided to verify program standards compliance upon request and updates regarding any plans to address partial compliance will be provided quarterly.
Signed: Date:
Printed Name and Title:
Program:

3) Partial Compliance and Plans for Meeting All Standards