

OCVS Grants Updates

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As we say GOODBYE to 2018, we've also had to say FAREWELL to a few of our OCVS Grants Team Members:

Bethzabeth Fichter
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Laura Talamonti



THE END OF THE YEAR IS NEAR!

THE UPCOMING NEW YEAR BRINGS WITH IT HOPE AND CONTINUED DEDICATION TO SUPPORTING VICTIMS OF CRIME.

WE THANK YOU AND APPRECIATE ALL THE HARD WORK YOU ALL DO EACH AND EVERY DAY TO SUPPORT ALL SURVIVORS OF CRIME.

2018 RECAP:

Bulletin #1

[WI DOJ OCVS Webpage revamped to be more user-friendly](#)
[Certifying Fiscal Reports in Egrants](#)
[What is a Regional Violence Against Women Resource Prosecutor?](#)

Bulletin #2

[VOCA Data Focus Groups](#)
[OCVS Online Curriculum](#)

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[Safe at Home Victim Advocate Trainings](#)

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[Visionary Services for Wisconsin Conference](#)
[OCVS Grants Summer Regional Meetings](#)
[What is the Victim Resource Center?](#)

Bulletin #5

[OCVS Grants Team Restructure](#)

OCVS Grants has gone paperless!! See next page for details!

EGRANTS Login

<https://egrants.doj.state.wi.us/egmis/login.aspx>

EGRANTS HELPDESK**Email:**

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(608) 267-9068

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(888) 894-6607

Hours of Operation:

Weekdays
8am-4:30pm CST

Egrants Instructional Guides

Can be found on the Wisconsin-DOJ OCVS Grants webpage

*[How to Enter Fiscal Reports](#)

*[How to Certify Fiscal Reports](#)

*[How to add Personnel and Employee Benefits using Contacts](#)

*[How to create a Modification](#)

*[How to submit a Program Report](#)

GRANTS REMINDERS:**SAVS**

- Final Program and Fiscal Reports are due **1/30/19**
- Statistical Requirements document and final Goals and Objectives work plan is due **1/30/19**
- Submit the program & fiscal reports, statistical requirements and work plan in Egrants
- Contact your respective grants manager with any SAVS-related questions

VAWA STOP and SASP

- Final Reports for STOP Victim Services and SASP subgrantees are due 1/30/19
- Non-Competitive applications for VAWA STOP were due 11/16/18 and VAWA SASP applications were due 11/30/18.

OCVS Training and Scholarships

Stay Tuned for 2019 information!

OCVS GRANTS TEAM = PAPERLESS

Yes, you read that right! The OCVS Grants Team decided, by a unanimous vote, to save paper and move to using electronic copies of grant files.

What does this mean for you?

- All documents pertaining to your grant will be stored electronically in Egrants.
- Any documentation we request from you can be scanned & emailed to your grant manager and/or the OCVS Grant Support Specialist.

SAVE THE DATES

OCVS Grants

Winter Regional Meetings

February/March 2019

The OCVS Grants Team would like to invite you all to our second round of regional meetings. These meetings will be diving deeper into information about the upcoming VOCA Competitive Grant Cycle! The grants team will send out the notes from the summer regional meetings and a survey to solicit feedback for topics to be covered during this round of meetings. There will be 4 in person meetings, in 4 separate locations, and 2 live webinars that will also be recorded. These meetings are the perfect forum for asking questions and clarifications prior to the Funding Announcement opening late March.

Tentative dates:

- **Madison: 2/21, 1:00pm – 4:00pm**
- **Waukesha: 2/18 or 2/20, 9:00am – 12:00pm**
Milwaukee Sexual Assault Providers Mtg, 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- **Eau Claire: 2/27, 1:00pm – 4:00pm**
- **Wausau: 2/28, 9:00am – 12:00pm**

- **Live webinar for WI Tribal Nations: 1st week of March**
- **Live webinar for all WI agencies: 1st week of March**

**You will receive more information in the coming weeks.
Hope to see everyone there!**

Fair Minimum Update from the WI Governor's Council on Domestic Abuse – Budget Committee

2018 Revised [Fair Minimum Update Documents](#)

Announcing the release of a revision to the document *Operating a Domestic Abuse Program: A Fair Minimum* created by the Governor's Council on Domestic Abuse – Budget Committee.

This document has been created as a tool to guide and inform our communities, funders, and Board of Directors on what a budget through a Department of Children and Families (DCF) Basic Services grant should potentially look like. This document only reflects core services of a domestic abuse basic services grant – not prevention, sexual assault, or additional services through other grants.

The Fair Minimum document attempts to quantify the number of staff needed to adequately provide the core services. Additionally, the document highlights what a competitive wage and benefit package should be when compared alongside domestic violence, victim service, and governmental agencies. Although aspirational, this document is also a strong representation of programs throughout Wisconsin. Information was gathered from urban and rural programs, large and small programs, and residential and nonresidential programs. Collectively, this information was used to create a document that could benefit every domestic abuse program and their Boards in looking at their staffing patterns and compensation.

If you are a program employee, know that if you do not yet receive compensation at the rate recommended in the fair minimum, that is not a reflection of your worth to your program, community, or survivors. Please share this document, as you see fit, with your partners and collaborators to educate them on what the true cost of our basic services ought to be.

OCVS Welcomes...

Safe at Home would like to introduce our newest staff member:

Shelley Sturdevant

Shelley may be reached directly at (608) 264-9456 or sturdevantsl@doj.state.wi.us with enrollment questions or general participant issues.

Welcome Shelley!

The Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) team is excited to welcome two experienced professionals to DOJ.

Aimee Obregon

is the new SAKI Law Enforcement Training Officer and will be available to provide training and technical assistance on the law enforcement response to sexual assault.

Jaime Sathasivam

will be assisting as a Victim Services Specialist (LTE) for the next few months and is available to provide information and resources for survivor notification as well as referrals for local advocacy services.

Welcome Aimee and Jaime!

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Quarterly Fiscal Report Due Dates

Federal Fiscal Year: October-September	Calendar Year: January- December
01/30/2019	04/30/2018
04/30/2019	07/30/2018
07/30/2019	10/30/2018
<u>10/30/2019 Final</u>	<u>01/30/2019 Final</u>

What is the SAFE Fund?

The **Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Fund (SAFE Fund)** is a state program that will pay for the cost of a forensic medical exam for victims of sexual assault.

In 2007 WI Act 20 created statutory language for the administration of the WI SAFE Fund. Since Wisconsin receives Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funding, the state must incur the full out-of-pocket cost of the forensic medical exams for victims of sexual assault.

Hospitals are in charge of submitting victim's claims to the SAFE Fund Administrator for payment. SAFE Fund reimburses hospitals around the state monthly and can pay a maximum of \$1,236.23 per claim.

According to administrative rules and WI state statutes, the services SAFE Fund cannot pay for includes, but is not limited to:

- Assaults occurring outside of WI
- Additional medical treatment
- Emergency contraception
- Follow-up care/treatment
- Services not within the scope of the examination protocol

Taken directly from the statute, chapter 949.20

"Examination costs" means the costs of an examination that is done to gather evidence regarding a sex offense, any procedure during that examination process that tests for or prevents a sexually transmitted disease, and any medication provided or prescribed, during that examination process, that prevents or treats a sexually transmitted disease that the person performing the examination or procedure believes could be a consequence of the sex offense. "Examination costs" does not include any processing or administrative costs, attorney fees, or other expenses.

**Payment for a
Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE)**

WI SAFE Fund
Wisconsin Statute 949.20

**The SAFE Fund may be able to assist financially with the cost of
the sexual assault forensic exam including the forensic exam,
lab costs, and some medications.**

The fund is available to victims of sexual assault who:

1. Do not wish to report the sexual assault to law enforcement, or
2. Do not wish to cooperate with investigation/prosecution of the offender, or
3. Do not wish to submit bill to insurance provider or other available payer source.

**For more information, contact the hospital/clinic billing office or call
the Office of Crime Victim Services at the telephone number below.**

***Wisconsin Department of Justice
Office of Crime Victim Services***

<p>Risser Justice Center 17 West Main Street, P.O. Box 7951 Madison, WI 53707-7951 Victims call toll-free: 1-800-446-6564 Others: 608-264-9497 Fax: 608-294-2928 TTY: 800-947-3529</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Local Sexual Assault Services</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>
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Online Resources:
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