VOCA-SAC Partnerships to Enhance Victim Services
Golden, CO: May 22, 2018

Lunch Session at the Western Regional Training Institute for SAC Staff
Arizona
Catie Clark, Arizona Statistical Analysis Center
Larry Grubbs, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

• This project will update the Crime Victim Service Funding Overview, which provides a comprehensive analysis of crime victim service funding available across the fifteen counties and the state of Arizona, and provides information across certain victimization types. It will also create a separate report that outlines the availability of victim programming in the state of Arizona and geographically identifies any gaps in services relative to calls for service for similar crimes using data from the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS).
Maine
George Shaler, Maine Statistical Analysis Center
Katie Kondrat, Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault

- This project will analyze data collected from sexual assault centers over the past two years through their specially designed tracking system about services sought, services received, and outcomes for victims to better identify gaps in service for underserved communities.
• This project will build on earlier research showing that youths housed in juvenile correctional facilities have much higher rates of victimization than their contemporaries in public schools. VOCA services do not currently extend to juvenile institutions. This project will survey facility staff to determine what types of victims they encounter and what types of services they currently offer those victims.
The SAC and OCVA will work together to develop an evaluation framework to determine which funded initiatives are effective and meet their service goals, and will conduct a process analysis of a select group of funded initiatives and assess the feasibility of postservice outcome data collection. They will also evaluate service delivery gaps using NIBRS and InfoNet, develop recommendations for addressing service delivery gaps, and evaluate other data sources for use in calculating service needs.
Wisconsin
Will Hauser, Wisconsin Statistical Analysis Center
Karina Virrueta, Wisconsin Office of Crime Victims Services

• OCVS is concerned about the quality and relevance of the data currently reported and recognizes that VOCA data could be better incorporated into a comprehensive grant planning and review process. As a first step to any system overhaul, OCVS and BJIA will analyze the data that is already being collected through existing sources, specifically through the OVC Performance Measurement Tool (PMT), assess the current data collection process, and research potential modifications that will enhance the current process.
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