

The Grant is Your Guide

Questions to Ask: About Your Grant

- $\hfill\square$ Have you communicated the approved activities to your staff?
- □ Has the staff implementing the grant read the proposal and award letter?
- □ Are you complying with the Special Conditions?
- □ Are you monitoring that partners and sub-grantees are complying with VAWA and grant conditions?
- □ Have you mapped out your project? See Sample Deliverables Chart.

Assessment — Where Are You Now?

Questions to Ask: Population

- \Box Do you/your staff know the population you were approved to serve?
- □ Does your staff have training/tools to identify individuals that fall within that population?
- Does your staff understand the importance of identifying primary victimization, for the purposes of reporting and eligibility for services?

Questions to Ask: Community Needs

- □ Which languages are most prevalent in your community?
- □ Do you have a staff member able to provide services in those languages?
- Or, do you have access to a resource that will allow you to provide services in those languages?
- Do you have written/web materials available in a format/language that is accessible for the community you serve?
- □ How are clients accessing your services, or how do you anticipate them to access your services?
- □ Can you meet the client where they are (making services available by phone or online, sending staff into the community, etc.)?



Chapter 1 Assessment Tool

- □ What office protocols do you have for staff interacting with clients?
 - May staff provide clients with their personal cell phone numbers, email address, social media usernames, etc.?
 - May staff provide transportation for clients or ride with a client (to court, meetings, access other support services, etc.)?
 - May staff accept gifts from clients?
 - May staff give gifts to clients?

Questions to Ask: Staff Expertise

See Chapter 4 for additional materials

- \Box What is the current expertise?
- □ Is the expertise responsive to grant deliverables?
- □ Does it meet the needs of sexual assault survivors (e.g., not just family law)?
- □ Does it meet the needs of the community?

Questions to Ask: Outward Face of Organization

See Chapters 10 & 11 for additional materials

- □ Are your materials (website, brochure, etc.) reflective of the services you provide and the populations you serve?
- □ Do your community partners/contacts (both formal and informal) know what services you provide and to whom?



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