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Making Connections:
Linking Community Confinement and
Sexual Assault Response Teams
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Welcome and Introductions



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The PREA Resource Center - Mission

The mission of the PRC is to assist adult prisons and jails, juvenile facilities, lockups, community corrections and tribal facilities in their efforts to eliminate sexual abuse by increasing their capacity for prevention, detection, monitoring, responses to incidents and services to victims and their families.

Welcome from the PREA Management Office



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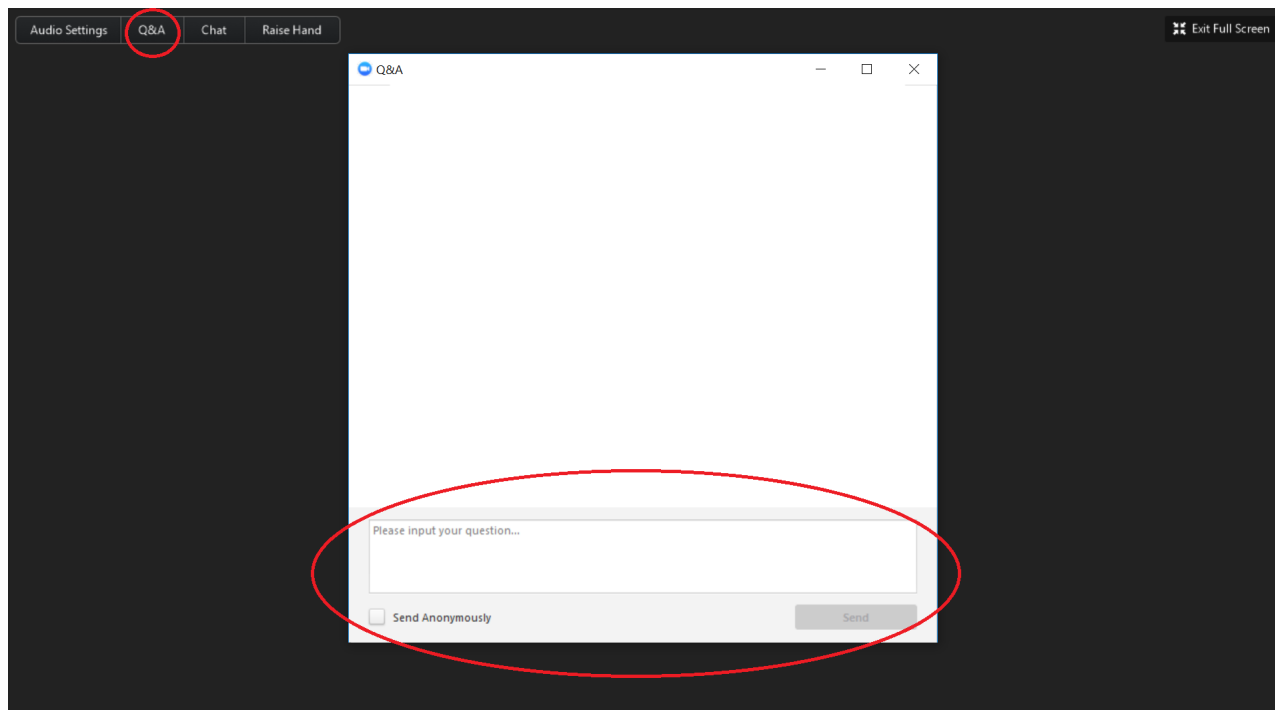
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Vera Institute of Justice (Vera)

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- We study problems that impede human dignity and justice.
- We pilot solutions that are at once transformative and achievable.
- We engage diverse communities in informed debate.
- We harness the power of evidence to drive effective policy and practice.

The Johnson County Corrections: Adult Residential Center

Johnson County Corrections

Johnson County Corrections supervises juvenile and adult offenders through progressive, effective, and sound correction, rehabilitation, and recidivism reduction programs. The Corrections department forges partnerships to bridge the gap between offenders and the community by encouraging client responsibility and behavioral change.

Adult Residential Center

The Johnson County Department of Corrections Adult Residential Center is a 398 bed, community based, facility that provides a highly structured environment for adult offenders ordered by the District Court to our program.

The main objective of the Residential Center program is to reintegrate clients into the community as successful, productive citizens.

Poll Question #1

Did you read "Partnering with Community Sexual Assault Response Teams: A Guide for Local Community Confinement and Juvenile Detention Facilities?"



Poll Question #2

Are you currently working with a Sexual Assault Response Team?



Poll Question #3

Is Your Sexual Assault Response Team Community-Based or Facility-Based?



Why We're Here Today

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with 'SARTs IN CORRECTIONS' on the left, and 'CONTACT' and 'DOWNLOAD FULL GUIDE (PDF)' on the right. Below the navigation is a menu with 'Home', 'Using the Guide', 'SART and PREA Basics', and 'Resources'. The main heading reads 'Partnering with Community Sexual Assault Response Teams' with the subtitle 'A Guide for Community Confinement and Juvenile Detention Facilities'. A 'READ MORE +' button is centered below the heading. Below this is a section titled 'Partner with a SART' with the instruction 'Follow the guide's four phases.' and a numbered list of four steps: 1. Gathering information and planning, 2. Working with the community SART, 3. Incorporating a SART approach in facility policy, and 4. Training facility staff.

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What is a SART?

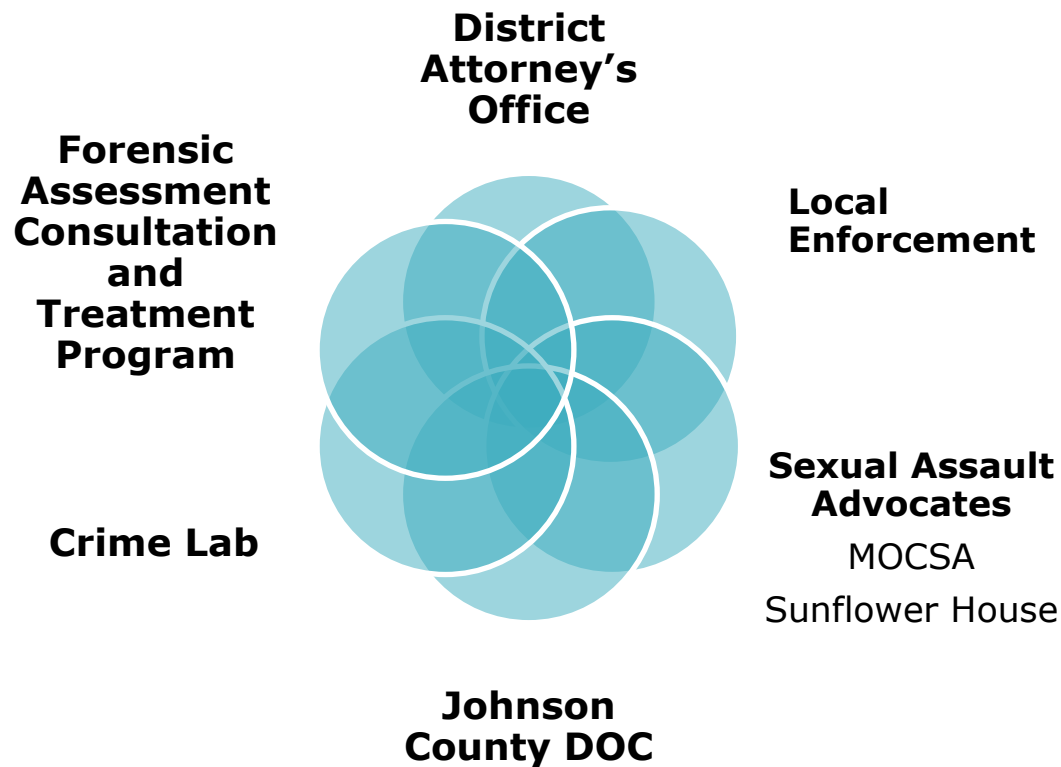
Broadly defined:

A Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) is a **multidisciplinary team** of health care providers, law enforcement representatives, advocates, and other professionals who are **qualified to respond** to disclosures of sexual assault.



Key Members

Qualified to respond...



Why partner with a SART?

To ensure your agency is ready to respond to any report of sexual abuse in a coordinated, victim-centered way while maintaining safety and security. Partnerships also provide:

- An opportunity to leverage existing community relationships and expertise
- The potential for broadening community responders' knowledge and awareness of correctional settings
- Help with PREA compliance
 - ❖ PREA Standard 115.265 Coordinated response
 - ❖ Many other standards too—See Appendix 2 of the guide for a list

Four Key Phases of Partnering with a SART

4 Key Phases:

Phase 1: Gathering information and planning

Phase 2: Working with the community SART

Phase 3: Incorporating a SART approach in facility policy

Phase 4: Training facility staff

Phase 1: Gather and Plan

PHASE 1

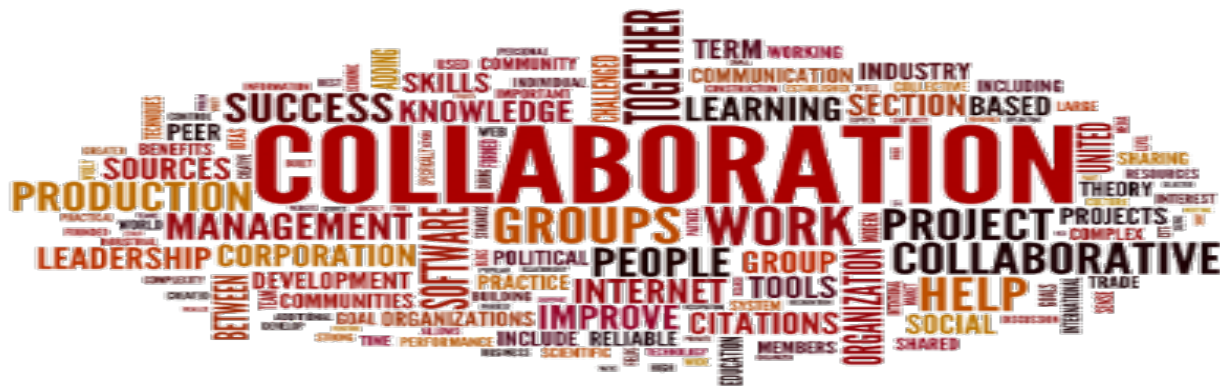
- Assign a coordinator
- Determine a timeline
- Develop a process for outreach, collecting information, assessing, and planning



Phase 2: Collaborate

PHASE 2

- Engage in relationship-building activities—attend SART meetings; invite SART members for facility tours
- Establish memorandum of understanding (MOU)



Phase 3: Refine Your Facility Policy

PHASE 3

- Adjust facility policy to comply with PREA sexual assault response standards
- Develop tools for staff (checklists, flowcharts, etc.)



Phase 4: Educate Staff

PHASE 4

- Train Staff

**PREA Standard 115.231:
Employee training**



Using the Guide

Tasks

GATHER INFORMATION

- Identify people and organizations** outside the facility that can be sources of useful information. (See “Potential Sources of Information,” page 11.) When you approach community agencies, understand that they are experts in sexual assault intervention and respect that they have their own language, priorities, and challenges. Be prepared to help those agencies understand the language, priorities, and challenges of your facility with regard to this effort.
- Identify questions** to ask community agencies to gather the information you need. (See “Interview Questions for SART Agencies” in Appendix 3.) Although you may want to interview some people individually, you can also invite them to a group discussion as a way to jump-start cross-agency collaboration.
- Consider surveying facility staff** to gather baseline data on awareness, beliefs, and attitudes about sexual assault. (See “SARTCP Questionnaires” in Appendix 4.) Such data can help identify strengths and gaps in staff knowledge and help shape future training. An anonymous survey may yield the most useful and candid information. A similar follow-up survey could be used to help measure the effectiveness of this effort, exploring whether working with the SART, the policy changes, staff training, and resident education have strengthened facility response, changed beliefs, and/or affected attitudes.

Partnership in Action: Lessons Learned from Johnson County

Getting started

- Leadership buy-in
- Determine gaps
- Second set of eyes
- Collaborate
- Don't reinvent the wheel



Partnership in Action: Lessons Learned from Johnson County

Most useful tools and processes

- Flow Charts
- Policy Review
- Learning from others



Questions & Answers



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STANDARDS



In this section of the library you will find the federal PREA standards and information about the development, implementation, compliance with, and enforcement of the standards.

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BREAKING NEWS: The Department of Justice's national PREA standards were released on May 17, 2012. Read the final standards [here](#).

Welcome!

The PREA Resource Center (PRC) is working to address sexual safety in confinement, and to assist state and local jurisdictions with implementation of the Department of Justice [national PREA standards](#). Visit the library for research and guidance on implementation of the standards; the Training and Technical Assistance section of the website to learn about the PRC's four strategies for assisting the field with PREA implementation; and **sign up for upcoming webinars [here](#)**.

Need Help?

The PREA Resource Center provides training and technical assistance to adult and juvenile corrections and law enforcement agencies seeking to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse in confinement.

[REQUEST ASSISTANCE](#) ▶

Resources for survivors and their families are available [here](#).



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Resources

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[Partnering with Community Sexual Assault Response Teams: A Guide for Community Confinement and Juvenile Detention Facilities](#)

[Partnerships Between Correctional Agencies and Community-Based Service Providers](#)

[Building Partnerships Between Rape Crisis Centers and Correctional Facilities to Implement the PREA Victim Services Standards](#)

www.justdetention.org

[Tools for Service Providers](#)

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Request for Assistance

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Name of jurisdiction/agency making request:

Name and position/title of person making request:

Contact Information of Requester

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP:

Email:

Phone:

Point of contact for the jurisdiction/agency:

Statement of Problem:

Describe, as specifically as possible, the condition or issue for which the TTA is requested.

Previous Efforts:

Have there been any previous attempts to address the condition or issue for which the TTA is requested? If so, what action(s) were taken and what were the results?

Training and Technical Assistance:

Describe what type of training or technical assistance you would like to receive.

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April 21-25 – Sacramento, CA**

www.aja.org

**Compliance and Accreditation Managers' Association
Conference, May 19-22 – Louisville, KY**

www.mycama.org/2018

**American Correctional Association Congress of
Correction, August 2-7 – Minneapolis, MN**

www.aca.org

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