



Minutes for Indiana Statewide Sexual Assault Response Team

Call to order

A bi-monthly meeting of the Indiana Statewide Sexual Assault Response Team was held on February 20, 2024 at 10:00am EDT via Microsoft Teams. It began at 10:00am and was presided over by Amy Blackett with Angie Morris as secretary.

Attendees

Members in attendance: Amy Blackett, Angie Morris, Ashli Smiley, Devon McDonald, Eileen Potenza, Jan Lutz, Sid Newton

Members not in attendance: Kelly Gartland, Jennifer Barrett

Approval of minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2023 meeting was made by Ashli Smiley. Vote: 6-0-1 (Abstention-Devon McDonald)

New Business

1. Child Advocacy Bill: Per Jan, HB1123 passed out of the house 96-0 and recently passed the senate committee 8-0.
2. VOCA Funding: Discussion of ongoing concerns related to VOCA cuts and potential remedies being explored both at the national and state level.
3. Indiana Pediatric Guidelines: The updated *Indiana Guidelines for Medical Forensic Examinations of Pediatric Patients* has been released after medical and legal review from multiple organizations. Ashli requested support from the statewide SART members with distribution to those that serve children.

Old Business

1. Anonymous Kit Guidance: Members reviewed draft of guidance and discussed. Members of SART to review and consult as appropriate. Amy noted that there may be some updates to legislation this session regarding statutes of limitation that may impact the information provided. Goal is to provide updates and revisions to SART members in advance of next meeting with the goal of voting to finalize at next meeting.
2. Local SART Update: Deferred to next month when Kelly is present.
3. State SART Website Update: Request has been submitted for webpage; still pending.
4. State SART Charter has been fully executed as of September 12, 2023.

Motions

None

Announcements

Adjournment

Amy Blackett moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 11:06am.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Amy Blackett".

Meeting Secretary Signature

Approved: 4/16/2024