Frequently Asked Questions

For the Culturally Specific Services Program Semi-Annual Progress Report Form

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VAWA MEI website homepage:

https://www.vawamei.org/

VAWA MEI website Culturally Specific Services Program page:

https://www.vawamei.org/grant-program/culturally-specific-services-program/

FAQs Related to Training

Q: Our staff provides trainings to volunteer peer educators who then do community education. Do we report those volunteers as trained in Section C1 or as educated in Section C2?

A: Report professionals and para-professionals, including volunteer peer educators, in Section C1, and report non-professionals in Section C2.

Q: Can training provided to grant-funded staff be reported as training in Section C1?

A: No, do not report grant-funded staff development as training in Section C1. Grantees may choose to write about grant-funded staff development in a narrative question.

FAQs Related to Public Awareness

Q: If we have a booth at a public event and we distribute grant-funded flyers, can we report this in question 28?

A: Yes, this public awareness event can be reported in q.28, and the grant-funded flyers can be reported in Section C5 Products. Remember, all grant-funded products need to be approved by your OVW grant specialist.

FAQs Related to System Improvement

Q: Is an ASL version of Title 9 reported in both products and under systems improvement?

A: Yes. Report an ASL version of Title 9 in Section C5 Products and in Section C7 System Improvement.

FAQs Related to Victim Services

Q: Are referrals to services reported in question 37C?

A: No, for the purpose of this form, referrals are not considered a service and are not reported in q.37C. However, any referrals can be described in narrative q.41.

Q: What is the difference between services reported in Civil Legal Advocacy and Civil Legal Assistance in question 37A?

A: Services provided by a grant-funded attorney or a grant-funded paralegal are reported in Civil Legal Assistance in q.37A. Any other legal advocacy services provided by a grant-funded staff member are reported as Civil Legal Advocacy in q.37A.

FAQs Related to Narrative

Q: Can pending policies be reported in the narrative?

A: Yes, you can report pending policies in the narrative.