Frequently Asked Questions

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

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Resources for SASP Culturally Specific Program Grantees:

VAWA MEI website homepage: https://www.vawamei.org/

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Section D: Victim Services

Q: Do we report the specific languages used to provide grant-funded services?

A: Yes, Please list the specific languages (other than English) in q.22 and q.23, rather than providing a numerical value.

Q: Do we report all of our agency's hotline calls?

A: OVW asks that you only report grant-funded activities.

- If grant-funded staff are answering the hotline, or supervising volunteers who answer the hotline, you would report all hotline calls handled by the grant-funded staff and/or the volunteers they supervise.
- If grant funds support a portion of the hotline budget, prorate your agency's total hotline calls to reflect what portion or percent of hotline calls that grant funds support.

Q: What can we report as outreach activities in question 23?

A: Report the number of *grant-funded, unsolicited* letters, phone calls, or visits to victims/survivors of sexual assault. These "outreach activities" should be for the purpose of informing them of services and/or providing information. Also report the specific languages (other than English) used in these outreach activities.

Q: In question 23, how do we report outreach activities conducted by a full-time staff who is partially grant-funded?

A: For this scenario, prorate agency outreach totals to only reflect how much of that staff person's time in grant-funded. For example, if a full-time outreach advocate is 50% SASP-CS grant funded, report half of that staff person's total outreach activities in q.23.

Q: Do we report the total number of informational letters mailed by our agency as outreach in question 23?

A: Not necessarily. Only report grant-funded unsolicited outreach activities in q.23. If 100% of the unsolicited outreach activities are funded by the SASP-CS grant, then do report the agency's total number of outreach letters in q.23. If SASP-CS grant funds make up a piece of the agency's budget for unsolicited outreach activities, in q.23 only report the percent of the agency's total number of outreach letters that is supported by SASP-CS grant funds.

Q: For question 23, what is an example of prorating outreach activities to report only what is grant-funded?

A: Here is an example of prorating outreach activities to report only what is grant funded: A fulltime outreach advocate is 50% SASP-CS grant-funded. This outreach advocate mailed 1,000 unsolicited letters offering information about support services during the reporting period. Because this advocate is 50% grant funded, prorate the total number of unsolicited outreach activities conducted to 50%. In this example, 500 unsolicited letters are reported in q.23.