

MEMORANDUM

To: All ICJR (formerly known as Arrest) Program Grantees
From: The Office on Violence Against Women
Date: August 1, 2019
Subject: Updates to the ICJR Semi-annual Progress Report

Purpose

This memo is to inform grantees of changes made to OVW's Semi-annual Progress Report for the Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Grant Program, formerly known as the Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program.

Background

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Reauthorization of 2013 made enhancements to some OVW grant programs and revised or clarified certain definitions and grant conditions that cut across programs. OVW has revised the ICJR Semi-annual Progress Report to reflect the changes made by VAWA 2013 and to improve the quality and utility of the data the form collects.

Changes made to the ICJR Annual Progress Report

Section/Question	Description of Change
Section A: General Information	
Question 5. Type of funded organization	Addition of "State coalition" and "Tribal coalition" categories
Question 5a. Type of government partner	NEW QUESTION – If lead agency is a coalition or victim services organization, check the government type(s) that best describe your project partners
Section B: Purpose Areas	
Question 10. Statutory purpose areas	Updated to reflect the changes made by VAWA 2013
Section C: Function Areas	
Question 13. People trained	Removal of "Military command staff" and "Multidisciplinary" categories
Question 14. Training content areas	Addition of "Homicide prevention (lethality assessment)" and "Sexual assault evidence collection kit" categories to the Justice System section Addition of "are D/deaf or hard of hearing" and "are in correctional settings" categories to the Underserved section

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Question 18. Protocol and/or policies	<p>Addition of “HIV testing programs, counseling, and prophylaxis for victims/survivors of sexual assault” to Health Care subsection</p> <p>Addition of “Homicide prevention (lethality assessment)” to Victim Services and Law Enforcement subsections</p> <p>Addition of “Sexual assault evidence collection kit” to Victim Services, Law Enforcement, Prosecution, Courts and Health Care subsections</p> <p>Addition of "Victim/survivor notification and engagement" to Victim Services, Law Enforcement, Prosecution, Probation, and Health Care subsections</p>
Question 19. Legislation and policies	NEW QUESTION – Report activities related to the development or promotion of State, local, or tribal legislation and policies
Question 21. Product development or substantial revision	<p>Removal of “Number used or distributed” column</p> <p>"Training curricula" and "Training materials" have been combined into one "Training curricula and materials" category</p>
Question 23. Purpose of data collection and/or communication systems	Addition of “Sexual assault evidence collection kits” category
Question 26. Use of ICJR Program funds for system improvement	Addition of “Fatality review” and “Language access plan” categories
Section D: Victim Services	
Question 28. Number of new victims/survivors served and partially served	NEW QUESTION - Report the number of victims/survivors who began receiving services during the current reporting period
Question 29. Number of victims/survivors served for all types of victimizations	NEW QUESTION - Report additional types of victimizations victims/survivors received services for, including trafficking
Question 30. Reasons victims/survivors seeking services were partially served or were not served	Revised table to have two columns of check boxes – one for not served and one for partially served
Question 31. Demographics	<p>RACE: Addition of “Some other race, ethnicity, or origin” category</p> <p>GENDER: Addition of “Transgender or gender nonconforming” category</p> <p>AGE: "13-17" category changed to "11-17"</p> <p>OTHER DEMOGRAPHICS: Addition of “Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or queer (LGBTQ) individuals”, and “People who are D/deaf or hard of hearing”</p>
Question 33a. Victim services	<p>Updated to include a new column to report the number of times a service was provided</p> <p>Addition of "Forensic exam" category</p>

Section/Question	Description of Change
Section E: Criminal Justice System	
Question 36. Law enforcement activities	Addition of "Forensic medical exam" category, only applicable to sexual assault activities Changed the "Referrals of federal firearms charges to federal prosecutor" category to "Referred for federal prosecution"
Question 40a. Prosecution cases received, accepted, and declined	Addition of "Referred for federal prosecution" category
Section E3. Courts	Removal of "Number of criminal cases" question (previously question 43)
Question 49. Dispositions of violations	"Partial revocation of probation" and "Probation revoked/incarcerated" have been combined into one "Partial or full revocation of probation" category
Question 54. Number of offenders	"Number of continuing offenders" and "Number of new offenders" have been combined into one "Number of offenders" category
Question 55. Monitoring activities	Addition of "Electronic monitoring (GPS, radio frequency)" category
Question 56. Dispositions of violations	"Partial revocation of probation" and "Probation revoked/incarcerated" have been combined into one "Partial or Full revocation of probation" category
Question 59. Offenders in BIP program	"Number of continuing offenders in BIP program" and "Number of new offenders in BIP program" have been combined into one "Number of offenders in BIP program" category

For more information

The VAWA MEI website (<https://www.vawamei.org/>) provides information, data summaries, forms and instructions, technical assistance, and other resources related to OVW grant reporting.

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