



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 May 29, 2025 at 11:00am EDT via Microsoft Teams. It began at 11:01 a.m. and was presided over by Amy Blackett with Ashli Smiley filling in as secretary.

Attendees

Members in attendance: Amy Blackett, Kelly Gartland, Jon McDonald, Sid Newton, Eileen Potenza, and Ashli Smiley

Members not in attendance: Jennifer Barrett, Jan Lutz, Angie Morris

Approval of minutes

Eileen moves to approve April's meeting minutes. Sid seconded the motion.

- Vote to approve is unanimous. Jon abstained from voting.

New Business

1. Kelly provides a general update for ICESA.
 - a. Funding update
 - b. No changes to services, business is expected to continue without interruption at this time.
2. Indiana Legal Services is leading programming to assist human trafficking survivors with repairing/improving their credit. To qualify, victims must provide a self-attestation form that they have experienced a violent act. These forms must be validated by an authorized agency, which ILS is working to put into place.
 - a. Input and discussion of process and appropriate agencies to be considered for partnership.
3. Amy poses discussion related to funding impacts of service providers throughout the state and potential risk factors for marginalized populations.
4. Jon provides update for new grants being released specific to changes in language and/or requirements.
 - a. Language changes may include adhering to terms of executive orders in place.
 - b. Changes may be implemented at the state and federal level
5. Staffing update provided for the Indiana SANE Training Project.

Old Business

1. Anonymous Kit Recommendation documents
 - a. All edit suggestions implemented into final draft.
 - i. Additional input provided by Sid regarding crime lab processes.
No additional changes made to documents.
 - b. Ashli moves to approve the document for dissemination.
 - i. Eileen seconds the motion.
 - ii. Vote to approve is unanimous. Jon abstained from voting.
 - c. Amy to convert to a PDF for distribution, as well as to post to State SART website.

Motions

None

Announcements

Next meeting is scheduled for **Friday, July 25, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

Adjournment

Amy Blackett moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 12:11 p.m.



Ashli Smiley for Angie Morris/Meeting Secretary Signature

[Approved October 20, 2025]