



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 October 20, 2025 at 13:00 EDT via Microsoft Teams. It began at 13:03 and was presided over by Amy Blackett with Ashli Smiley as secretary.

Attendees

Members in attendance: Amy Blackett, Kelly Gartland, Jennifer Barrett, Jan Lutz, Jon McDonald, Sid Newton, Eileen Potenza, Angie Morris and Ashli Smiley

Guests in attendance: Kim Olesker (incoming NCA Indiana Chapter Executive Director)

Members not in attendance: N/A

Approval of minutes

Eileen moves to approve July's meeting minutes. Jon seconded the motion.

- Vote to approve is unanimous.

New Business

1. Jan introduces meeting guest, Kim Oleskar, as the incoming NCA Indiana Chapter Executive Director.
 - a. Jan is scheduled to retire in December 2025
 - b. Kim will be taking over her role at NCA as the Executive Director.
2. Jan has provided recommendations for Kim to fill her State SART seat when vacated.
3. Jon provides an ICJI update on behalf of Doug Huntsinger.
 - a. ICJI is planning to seek SAKI grant funding through the National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (BJA).
 - i. Analysis and review of each SAK
 - ii. Prosecution of cold cases
 - iii. Interview rooms
 - iv. Tracking system
 - v. Investigations of CODIS eligible individuals
 - b. As planning progresses, ICJI will establish a multidisciplinary team to support the project. Considerations are being made for utilizing the State SART, pending full review of responsibilities.
 - c. Anticipating to apply Fall of 2026.
 - d. The SAK Tracking System is unable to be repaired. ICJI has opted to replace the current system with a new one. In the interim, there is a

- webform in place to manually enter SAKs into the system and a phone number for survivor's to call to get updates on the status of their SAKs.
- e. Discussion of recent challenges identified while reviewing applications for reimbursement through the Sexual Violence Victim's Compensation program.
 4. Kelly provides a local SART update.
 - a. Kelly's team is working to update the current SART map. They have been contacting individual county prosecutors and/or their primary SART contact to verify activity and updated protocols.
 - i. Through these discussions, Kelly has identified several opportunities to provide the teams additional support.
 5. Jan/Kim discuss the general strategy of satellite CACs as opposed to new formation of programs.
 - a. Henry County-Kid's First satellite
 - b. Lake County-Dunebrooke satellite is looking for a location
 - c. Marion County-working to restructure and reorganize the program for efficient support of kids and families in Marion County.
 6. Ashli introduced a project for 2026 to include developing supportive documents and trainings for service providers throughout the state.
 - a. Additional information to be provided during November meeting.

Old Business

None

Motions

None

Announcements

Next meeting is scheduled for **Friday, November 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

Doug Hunstinger has verbalized intent to attend a State SART meeting to discuss ICJI updates.

Adjournment

Amy Blackett moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 14:21.



Ashli Smiley/Meeting Secretary Signature

[Approved November 21, 2025]