

BUILDING A COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM

An effective and comprehensive strategy to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (DVSAS) on college campuses requires the active engagement and participation from key stakeholders across campus and throughout the community. A Coordinated Community Response (CCR) Team is a multidisciplinary team of campus and community partners who meet regularly to assess, plan, monitor, and evaluate campus prevention and response efforts within the context of their institution. The following five (5) steps are the foundations for building a CCR Team.



ENGAGE STAKEHOLDERS

- 1
 - Invite both campus and community partners as key participating stakeholders.
 - Seek survivors and student representation to serve on the CCR Team.
 - Build meaningful relationships with each member.

Consider:

- How has our team prioritized the participation of culturally specific communities and survivors, and how might we be more intentional in inviting partnership?
- How can campus and community members easily find information to participate on the team?

CREATE THE VISION

- 2
 - Collectively define the problem.
 - Create a shared vision and common agenda.
 - Ground conversations and decisions in evidence and data.

Consider:

- Do CCR Team members share a common understanding of DVSAS?
- Are CCR team members committed to identifying a joint solution?
- What data or evidence is informing the CCR Team's work?

ASSESS CCR PROCESSES



- 3** > Establish collective agreements.
> Develop CCR processes and manuals.
> Facilitate meeting spaces that are accessible and ensure that everyone's voice is heard and valued.

Consider:

- Are decisions regarding policies, protocols, practices, & training efforts made collaboratively among partners, prioritizing the experiences of survivors?
- Does the CCR Team have open conversations on power dynamics and how to address them? Is there an intentional and agreed-upon plan for how to make decisions when differences arise?
- Do CCR Team members feel empowered to make choices and share opinions freely, even when there are conflicting views?

DEVELOP A PLAN

- 4** > Co-develop a strategic plan that outlines the CCR Team's goals and initiatives.
> Ensure that each member has responsibility in the planning and implementation.
> Encourage a culture of accountability with clear processes for feedback and transparency.

Consider:

- Does the CCR Team have a plan for how progress will be monitored and how outcomes will be measured?
- Has the team determined how CCR Team members will be accountable to the plan?

SUSTAIN THE WORK

- 5** > Recognize and celebrate the CCR Team's successes collectively.
> Reflect on CCR Team growth areas and accomplishments over time.
> Evaluate the CCR Team's composition, processes, and impact regularly.

Consider:

- How is survivor feedback prioritized in informing necessary changes and actions?
- Is there a plan to ensure that stakeholders respond to the needs identified by the CCR Team over time?

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