

Welcome + Introductions – Indira Henard – DCRCC

- Children’s Law Center
- Children’s Hospital
- DC Forensic Nurse Examiners (DCFNE)
- DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence (DCCADV)
- Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse (JCADA)
- Break the Cycle
- Network for Victim Recover of DC (NVRDC)
- DC Rape Crisis Center (DCRCC)
- Rights4Girls
- Fair Girls
- Mary’s Center
- University of the District of Columbia
- DC Justice for Survivors
- Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG)
- Wendt Center
- Men Can Stop Rape (MCSR)

SAAM Action Guide – Rachel Friedman – MCSR

- SAAM Action Guide has over 70 local events, along with social media guides and resources
- DCCESV website is tracking policy and legislation, sharing upcoming events, and providing resources
- DCCESV Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram are live

Child Abuse Awareness Month + SAAM – Siobhan Copeland – Children’s Hospital

- In our country, DC has the highest rate of child maltreatment—twice the national average. With the cross over of family abuse, 80% of the families that come forward reveal previous trauma history.
- Darkness to Light: a training teaches families and folks who work with children how to recognize child abuse and how to deal with it.
 - o Also teaches self-defense and self-management on how to keep their bodies safe
 - o They start with the names with their body parts, which counters harmful “replacement” words taught to children.
 - o CNHS gives the trainings to churches, colleges, school systems, and so on 2.5 hour training *for free*.
 - o The workshop covers all forms of child maltreatment—abuse, neglect, malnutrition, trafficking, etc.
 - o Also teaching skills about how to report incidents of child maltreatment, especially for mandatory reporters (and often mandatory reporters may not know about their mandated responsibility).

- CNHS provides the materials and certificates. Ideal size, no less than 15, no more than 30.
- Also give trainings in other cities in the DMV (have been to Baltimore and Northern Virginia).
- With young parents attending, they may need to have a parent-signed form filled out (typically if under 18 yo).
- Have a spanish trainer in D.C. for spanish speaking communities.

Legislative Update – Fiona Oliphant – DCCESV

- Sexual Assault Victims Rights Amendment Act (SAVRAA): this complicated piece of legislation has held council's interest despite recent staff changes that have upheld the progression of the act. The hope is to get the act passed by this summer.
- A couple of pieces of legislation updated recently:
 - *Voter Amendment Confidentiality Act*
 - *Protection of Firearm Relinquishment Act* – judges order temporary relinquishment of fire arms with temporary leave or protection orders
 - *Extreme Risk (protection order)* – with two parts are designed to remove respondent's access to firearms
 - New B22-0792 *Barber and Cosmetologists Prevention and Domestic Violence Training*
 - Another piece of legislation passed gives digital teeth to offices responsible for tackling trafficking through online means.
 - With the "MeToo" piece of legislation, it is focused on expiditing and adding accountability to the process of reporting sexual harassment with congress.
 - Recent changes in CPO legislation has opened up an invitation to the hearing to testify
- With the debate regarding legislation limiting online control over sex trafficking while also fear of those limitations influencing volitional sex workers, the survivors are strongly in support of the legislation's intention while certain funders in support of sex work have been less favorable towards it's passing. This law amends a loop-hole in the communications act that gives law enforcement authority to go after companies using online platforms that encourage and facilitate sex trafficking.
- One question raised was about the very technical to theoretical construction of the legislation is whether or not the *system* can really appreciate the depth and nuance of the language.
- The legislation focuses on the communication that takes place on Backpage and deep web area of onlie sex trafficking. One person from Fair Girls named how they put an advertisement up offering services for trafficking victims and Backpage took the ad down.
- When DCCESV has a formal membership in place, we can then be in a position to take an official stance on soemthing like legislation, but one thing we can do is be

communicative about this coalition as a space to talk and discuss this legislation, others, and topics of a different nature as well.

Membership – Rachel Friedman, MCSR – Fiona Oliphant, DCCESV – Neil Irvin, MCSR

- *What does membership look like?*
 - Organizations and allied professionals with the first “class” of folks who would be grandparented into membership, and then would decide as a group on the criteria for membership, how to induct members in.
 - Proposed moving forward with a standard model
- In consideration of the different services provided by organizations and coalitions across the country (on spreadsheet that Fiona presented), the different roles can be determined for the coalition and would be intended to fall in line with what skills folks bring to the space, as informed by the members.
 - Group 1
 - What are our expectations for the coalition?
 - Who are our partners, with all of the knowledge and capacity and experience in this room, how do we scale up so we’re not offering them all at once?
 - Capacity, sustainability
 - Clearly outlining our expectations within the coalition, especially with inviting partners in
 - What is the strategic plan thinking for designing our work?
 - How would the coalition set the frame for what we do with evidence-based models.
 - 1) Training/TA; (2) Advocacy; (3) Outreach; (4) Public Policy
 - Coalition would set frame; commitment to what the coalition decides
 - Bring resources together
 - Invite everyone to the table
 - Different voices – of people who wouldn’t necessarily be there.
 - Capacity to do all buckets, just not all at once
 - Group 2
 - With the different buckets, they are already doing significant amount of outreach and would like to utilize the coalition to continue and expand that outreach
 - Would want the discourse of public policy work to discuss most importantly what our values are *before* doing the work
 - Focused a lot on addressing the different wards in DC, specifically in Ward 7 and 8
 - Want to provide technical assistance for different folks

- Networking across jurisdictions
 - Teaching skills around public speaking and presentation
 - Survivor-centered
 - Providing capacity building and organizational development skills
 - With public policy as one of the “buckets” that we want, and the model is in a flexible state, we don’t have to adjust to the mold of other models—specifically with the ability to *not* take a stance on public policy if we don’t feel that it is strategic
 - E-libraries, databases, trainings database
 - *Really* establish mission and values before jumping into the work
 - Policy – come to consensus recognizing that we all have different opinions
- Group 3
 - Intersectionality and different types of survivors receiving advocacy and attention. For example, if a certain population is needing service (i.e. parents, for example), then we bring in that population to see what they say that they need.
 - In line with the discussion from group 2, it’s important to intentionally create a model of procedure that allows us both flexibility and durability so that we can learn from each other (as in, honor our differences) and adjust as we may need to.
 - Membership – include multiple voices
 - Learn from one another
 - Themes
 - Mission and values as foundation
 - Honoring difference and using each other as resources
 - Public policy as a bucket
 - Including multiple voices

Practical Self Care – Jenica Wright – Trauma Informed Care Practitioner

- How do we transform self-care that is based in removing yourself from an environment into practical self-care that actively gives our daily plans and routines intentionally important basics—getting moments of sunshine, using the bathroom when you need to, have lunch, etc.