

CONNECTICUT ALLIANCE TO END SEXUAL VIOLENCE



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Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence, Inc. Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Specialist

The Alliance is the statewide coalition of sexual assault crisis service programs working to end sexual violence through victim assistance, community education, and public policy advocacy. The mission of Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence is to create communities free of sexual violence and to provide culturally affirming, trauma-informed advocacy, prevention, and intervention services centered on the voices of survivors.

The Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) Specialist is a full time, temporary position with benefits. The position reports to the Director of Policy and Public Relations.

The Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Specialist is responsible for providing support for the Governor's Sexual Assault Kit Working Group and for providing technical assistance to The Alliance's member programs and police departments throughout the state, to ensure best practice and coordination among key stakeholders involved in the notification of victims of sexual assault whose evidence collection kit have been tested as part of the State of Connecticut's Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Project.

Specific Duties Include:

- Utilizing the Governor's Sexual Assault Kit Working Group Victim Notification Guidelines, work with member center sexual assault victim advocates and local police departments to ensure the notification of sexual assault victims whose kit was previously untested is conducted and that victims have access to information and support.
- Provide individual and team training and technical assistance to sexual assault victim advocates and police detectives to ensure utilization of the Victim Notification Guidelines and support for survivors who are receiving information about their case.
- Hold quarterly meetings for sexual assault victim advocates to discuss case dynamics and best practice for responding to and conducting survivor outreach.
- Work with the State SAKI Project Coordinator to review cases ready for notification and gather information from notification teams regarding victim needs.
- Provide ongoing updates to and provide recommendations as needed to the SAWG members and SAKI Project Coordinator regarding notification implementation
- Assist in the coordination of the Governor's Sexual Assault Kit Working Group and Victim Notification Committee meetings and activities.
- Develop victim/survivor feedback mechanisms for survivors who are notified and analyze feedback received each quarter.
- Facilitate the creation of MOUs between The Alliance, police departments and State's Attorney's to increase coordination among teams for victim notification.
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications and Required Skills:

- Demonstrated understanding of and commitment to anti-violence issues and violence against women issues
- Successful experience in entering new and diverse communities and building collaborative relationships
- Experience in coordinating and facilitating meetings
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to handle and prioritize multiple projects
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience
- Reliable transportation
- Ability to work some nights and weekends

Benefits Include:

- Four weeks vacation during the first year of employment
- Four personal days
- Eleven holidays
- Medical benefits, with premium for employee paid by The Alliance
- Life insurance
- 401K
- Flexible work options

To Apply:

Applicants should email a cover letter expressing interest and qualifications, an updated resume and salary requirements to: Human Resources at The Alliance: hr@endsexualviolencect.org.

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

The Alliance is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

DIVERSE CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

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The Alliance does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other characteristic protected by applicable law.