

Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center

www.wichitasac.com 316-263-0185

The Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center (WASAC) is dedicated to assisting survivors of sexual violence and their family and friends. All services are free, voluntary, and confidential. All survivors have the right to determine services they utilize and how long they participate in services. The following information is important for you as you participate in WASAC services.



CONFIDENTIALITY

It is the policy of Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center (WASAC) to protect the confidentiality and privacy of those who seek services and to hold confidential all personally identifying information. This includes communication, observations, and information made by, between, or about survivors (to include primary and secondary survivors).

WASAC shall not disclose any personally identifying information or individual information collected in connection with services requested, utilized, or denied through its programs. WASAC will not reveal any individual client information without the informed, written, reasonably time-limited consent of the person about whom information is sought. WASAC will avoid any inadvertent release of personally identifying information or individual information about a survivor.

Survivors may request information be released with a specific Release of Information. Please note under very specific circumstances licensed professionals on staff may be required to report child abuse. Please talk to your therapist or advocate for additional information.

NON-DISCRIMINATION

Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center (WASAC) will not tolerate discrimination against an employee, volunteer, applicant for employment, WASAC participants or beneficiary, or WASAC training or education program attendee because of race, disability, color, gender, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, veteran status, family status, military status, or political affiliation.

How to File a Complaint

If anyone believes that WASAC has discriminated against an employee, a volunteer, student, board member, survivor receiving services, a program participant, or anyone else, and/or if an employee receives a complaint of alleged discrimination, please notify WASAC's Executive Director by email, letter addressed to the WASAC office or telephone.

WASAC

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Wichita, KS 67202
316-263-0185
advocate@wichitasac.com

You may also notify:
Kansas Governor's Grants Program Civil Rights
Liaison: Brad Burke
900 SW Jackson St.
Landon State Office Building, Room 304 North
Topeka, KS 66612
Telephone: (785) 291-3205
Fax: (785) 291-2194
Email: brad.burke@dol.ks.gov

Or notify:
Office of Justice Programs
Office of Civil Rights
810 7th Street NW
Washington, DC 20531
Telephone: (202) 307-0690
Fax: (202) 616-9865
TTY: (202) 307-2027

We are interested in any feedback you may have regarding WASAC services. You are welcome to contact the Executive Director or the WASAC Board Chair to provide input at (316) 263-0185 or advocate@wichitasac.com. In addition, the Kansas Office of the Attorney General requires the following information to be provided to you.

The agency, along with the Office of Attorney General Derek Schmidt, is working to improve the services available for crime victims in Kansas. If you have a suggestion or complaint about a service that has been provided for you, please contact the Attorney General's Office Victims' Service Division at 1-800-828-9745 or www.ag.ks.gov.

Kansas Victims' Bill of Rights

1. Victims should be treated with courtesy, compassion and with respect for their dignity and privacy and should suffer the minimum of necessary inconvenience from their involvement with the criminal justice system.
2. Victims should receive, through formal and informal procedures, prompt and fair redress for the harm which they have suffered.
3. Information regarding the availability of criminal restitution, recovery of damages in a civil cause of action, the crime victims compensation fund and other remedies and the mechanisms to obtain such remedies should be made available to victims.
4. Information should be made available to victims about their participation in criminal proceedings and the scheduling, progress and ultimate disposition of the proceedings.
5. The views and concerns of victims should be ascertained and the appropriate assistance provided throughout the criminal process.
6. When the personal interests of victims are affected, the views or concerns of the victim should, when appropriate and consistent with criminal law and procedure, be brought to the attention of the court.
7. Measures may be taken when necessary to provide for the safety of victims and their families and to protect them from intimidation and retaliation.
8. Enhanced training should be made available to sensitize criminal justice personnel to the needs and concerns of victims and guidelines should be developed for this purpose.
9. Victims should be informed of the availability of health and social services and other relevant assistance that they might continue to receive the necessary medical, psychological and social assistance through existing programs and services.
10. Victims should report the crime and cooperate with law enforcement authorities.

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Kansas Crime Victims Compensation Law

This statute was passed to provide victims of crime with compensation for loss of earnings and out-of-pocket medical expenses as a direct result of the incident.

For more information regarding Crime Victims Compensation, contact the Office of the Attorney General at (785) 296-2215 or visit www.ag.ks.gov/victims-services/information-for-crime-victims.