South Carolina College Consortium on Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence

Description:
The South Carolina College Consortium on Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence is an organizing body for staff at institutions of higher education and off-campus service providers working with on-campus populations to discuss pertinent issues related to sexual and intimate partner violence intervention, Title IX, and sexual and relationship violence prevention on campuses. This Consortium is a collaboration between any interested institution of higher education within SC, local sexual assault and domestic violence service providing organizations, and the SC Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (SCCADVASA). This Consortium is a network to address the following goals:

1. To provide colleges and universities with the necessary knowledge and information to successfully address sexual and intimate partner violence intervention and prevention on their campuses.
2. To share and develop resources, policies and programming ideas related to these issues.
3. To create a structure for campuses across the state to work together to prevent and end sexual & intimate partner violence.
4. To develop partnerships between campuses and direct service rape crisis and domestic violence centers for lasting community-level change.

This group meets quarterly at various campuses, primarily in Columbia. Anyone interested in addressing a specific topic regionally can request an additional meeting outside of the Columbia area. Please email Hannah Stewart to join the listserv to receive updates on specific meeting dates.

Vision:
College and university communities across South Carolina free from interpersonal violence and sexual assault.

Mission:
To establish a collaborative network of professionals and students across South Carolina and equip them with the tools, skills, and support systems needed to raise awareness for sexual and intimate partner violence in higher education; build robust, ongoing, multi-faceted, inclusive prevention programs; and appropriately respond to and advocate for all survivors.

Possible participants include representation from:
- Local sexual and domestic violence organizations
- Campus security and law enforcement
- Title IX
- Student services
- Counseling and on-campus relationship and sexual violence services
- Campus violence prevention programs
- Student advocates and peer leaders

Ongoing Plans:
- Development of SC-specific resources regarding training for different disciplines on campus, student engagement, and ongoing prevention programming
- Training and continuing education opportunities as a part of or in addition to consortium meetings
- Network for engagement between meetings through listerv and supplemental conference calls

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