

Third Party Reporting: Local Interagency Protocol Development Checklist

This document is intended to assist with local interagency protocol development for Third Party Reporting of sexual assault in British Columbia. It is to be used in conjunction with the comprehensive CCWS publication **Third Party Reporting Guidebook: Increasing Reporting Options for Sexual Assault Victims, November 2015,** available at http://endingviolence.org/publications/third-party-reporting-guidebook-increasing-reporting-options-for-sexual-assault-victims-november-2015/

	TASK	RESPONSIBLE	DUE		
A.	A. Develop Local Interagency TPR Protocol				
	Review the TPR Guidebook November 2015, relevant RCMP or Municipal police policy, community agency record keeping guidelines and other documents to ensure your program and organization is ready to develop protocols to implement TPR	Local Teams			
	Contact CCWS for support including TPR Form and Cover Sheet originals	Local Teams			
	Make any changes needed to ensure your program and organization is ready to develop protocols to implement TPR	Local Teams			
	Develop and document draft local interagency protocol (template available in TPR Guidebook Nov 2015)	Local Teams			
	Set up a TPR Cover Sheet filing system and record keeping guidelines	CBVS			
	Set up a database or spreadsheet for tracking Third Party Reports anonymously for data purposes	Police			

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	Provide information about the protocol development within your agency as appropriate	Local Teams				
	Develop a case study that is realistic in your community and will allow you to run through a trial TPR procedure, including a police request to follow up with the victim	Local Teams				
	Go through a trial TPR procedure to test out the local process, including a police request to follow up with the victim	Local Teams				
	Meet to discuss the trial TPR procedure and make any changes necessary to protocol document	Local Teams				
	Get sign off on the local protocol between police and CBVS	Local Teams				
В.	Implement Protocol					
	Inform community partners and clients about benefits and process for connecting to CBVS to consider reporting options, including TPR	Local Teams				
	Make proactive referrals to CBVS to consider reporting options, including TPR	Police, PBVS, other community partners				
	Assist sexual assault victims to understand and access supports and protections available, increase safety and healing, and address barriers to reporting the sexual assault to the police if possible	CBVS				
C.	C. Facilitate TPR Process if requested and appropriate					
	Explain limits of confidentiality	CBVS				
	Explore any barriers to making a full police report, address barriers if possible	CBVS				

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Explain TPR Process by reviewing TPR Cover Sheet and local procedures	CBVS	
Provide a space and any necessary supports for the victim to complete the TPR Form	CBVS	
Provide emotional support during and after completion of TPR form	CBVS	
Photocopy TPR form and keep photocopy as per agency records management guidelines	CBVS	
File TPR Cover Sheet	CBVS	
Deliver original TPR form to police in person or by registered mail	CBVS	
Review TPR form	Police (designated TPR contact)	
Assign police file number	Police	
Contact CBVS to confirm receipt of TPR and communicate police file number	Police	
Conduct preliminary investigation IMPORTANT: ensure the victim's confidentiality is maintained	Police	
Contact CBVS to request contact with victim if needed	Police	
Contact victim with request from police	CBVS	
Connect victim to police, or pass on victim's refusal to police	CBVS	

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