SAPR - Victim Care

Monthly support group for survivors facilitated by SARC and co-facilitated by a Chaplain Meditation techniques course to teach victims how to use meditation to reduce feelings of anxiety. Naval Nuclear Power Training Command (NNPTC) staff and student access badges list all trained SAPR victim advocates per department as well as 24/7 SAPR hotline number (approximately 4,000 Sailors at this command keep these badges with them at all times)

Implementing photo wall of all SAPR advocates within each command, so service members are aware of their advocates (still in progress of setting these walls up at a few remaining commands)

Serenity/Comfort Rooms an area where victims, their families, and victim advocates may meet confidentially, the Comfort Room offers survivors a non-threatening environment to seek respite during stressful and lengthy legal proceedings. Soft lighting from lamps, an overstuffed loveseat and chair, and artwork provide a "homey" atmosphere. Survivors may read, relax, or use the computer to help ease

The Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Program created the first in house trauma counselor position to provide supportive counseling to victims of sexual assault. The counseling inspires and empowers victims to heal and learn about the healing process. The counseling program works with PTMS- prior to military service basic trainees, technical training students, permanent party active duty members and DoD civilians. Trauma recovery, for PTSD symptoms, flashback management and healing. Created Informed consent form, Inventory of Symptoms intake, Healing Hands art therapy, The Healing Journey recovery booklet. Created a comprehensive counseling program for sexual assault victims. The counselor assists victims throughout the case, support at article 32 hearings, and arranges medical appointments for

When a victim receives response services for a reported sexual assault, he or she is given a service evaluation survey that lists the primary response agencies' services and gives the victim an opportunity to rate the response provided by those agencies. Survey is confidential and the victim is also given a standard addressed stamped envelope in which to mail the survey. The surveys arrive at the 502ABW HQ where the Installation SARC receives the anonymous information and compiles the data which is used for

Provide victim with a response folder that contain the following:

- Survivor Self Care
- Victim Report Preference
- The Effects of Sexual Assault
- Referral Information Sheet
- Booklet: Sexual Assault -- Steps for recovery
- Journal for restricted report victims: victims who file a restricted report are encouraged to journal their recall of events.

The folder is also to help keep medical papers and incident information in one place.

- Victim Advocate and Advocacy 24/7
- Response Services 24/7

The SARC partnered with the VWAP coordinator to develop a waiting space that is private, comfortable, and that provides victims/witnesses something to do during the wait time. 6 AMW/JA provided a recently vacated office just outside the courtroom for this purpose. The door to the room is solid, so the victim/witness has complete privacy. Access to the room is controlled by a key held by the SARC and VWAP coordinator. The room was designed to resemble a living/family room complete with TV/DVD player, refrigerator, coffee maker, and snacks. Since it was completed, the room has been used for victim/witness interviews by investigators and prosecutors, for meetings between the SARC/VA and victim, and for a court martial. The victim in the court martial case said the room enabled her to relax in

Victim Safe Room: Established in July 2006 as a neutral location for victims of sexual assault/domestic violence for a 24-hour respite, until further safety measures could be implemented. The room is located at the Sagebrush Inn and approved funding for the one night was implemented by FW/CC. Any additional nights will need to be staffed through SAPR office, who will then gain approval for additional funding.

We are located in the same building as the Legal Office and court room. When our cases go to court we actually house the victim and their family/friends in our office - it is comfortable, has television, and convenient for the lawyers. This is a necessity due to fact that cases run for hours into days.