

Examples of How to Describe Activities

Crisis Intervention Example

The agency will offer in-person crisis response for adult victims of sexual assault, on an as-needed basis, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week at County Hospital. In-person crisis response will be provided by a crisis counselor or trained volunteer.

Counseling Examples

Therapist will provide group and individual counseling to victims of domestic and/or sexual violence. Counseling is available from 9.a.m. to 9p.m. Individual sessions are usually 50 minutes and groups of 3 or more victims last for an hour and a half. Both types of counseling occur on a weekly basis. An average length of counseling is 3 to 6 months.

The Counselor will provide counseling to children that have been victims of physical or sexual abuse or witnesses of domestic violence. 50-minute counseling sessions will be provided on a weekly basis for a minimum of 6 to 10 sessions, or longer if necessary based on the individual child's need. The counselor will provide these sessions at the agency or if necessary at the child's school or other appropriate location.

Civil Legal Advocacy Example

Three VOCA funded advocates will provide assistance with the personal protection order process and provide crisis intervention, additional safety options and resources as necessary to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking at the PPO office in the county court building from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Victims requesting PPO assistance during a First Response call will also be helped at any hour. Advocates will also accompany a victim to court proceeding if requested. Assistance can vary from 30 minutes to an hour and a half depending on victims' needs.

Criminal Legal Advocacy Examples

A VOCA-funded legal advocate will be available M-F 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. to provide advocacy to clients involved in criminal legal cases. Such advocacy might occur at the agency, in the police station and at the court house and will include providing clients with information about their rights, providing information about the process, and advocating on behalf of clients with court personnel and/or law enforcement.

Volunteer Training

The Volunteer Coordinator will conduct a 40-hour training at the agency for each volunteer prior to the volunteer becoming a CASA volunteer. These trainings will occur at a minimum of twice a year.