NEW YORK STATE CAMPUS CONSENT CONSORTIUM

2017-2018 NEEDS ASSESSMENT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault
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Executive Summary

The New York State Campus Consent Consortium (NYSCCC) is a program managed by the New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NYSCASA). The NYSCCC is committed to eradicating sexual violence from New York State’s universities and campuses. Starting in 2016, NYSCASA launched the program to serve as a collaborative network for statewide stakeholders. Over the last two years, the NYSCCC has grown to include nearly 700 New York State and national professionals from across a variety of disciplines, including:

- Rape crisis center advocates
- Domestic violence advocates
- Prevention educators
- Title IX coordinators and investigators
- University conduct board members
- Student affairs professionals
- Law enforcement
- State agency partners

In 2017, the NYSCCC first shared a short needs assessment with membership to identify the network’s programming needs for 2017-2018 as well as to entice members to join role-specific working groups. In 2018, we repeated the process. The goals of the 2018-2019 needs assessment are: to recruit new members, to collect program satisfaction data from old members, to identify 2018 programming needs, and to identify campus/community SARTs in New York.

The 2018-2019 needs assessment data will also be used to plan the next year of Consortium activities. Beyond providing essential data to plan webinars and in-person trainings, the 2017-2018 data will allow the Consortium to make connections between professionals more intentionally.
Membership Trends

New Members
40%

Returning
60%

New Membership Professional Roles

- RCP Advocates: 33%
- Preventionists: 15%
- Other: 18%
- Title IX: 20%
- Campus PD: 5%
- State Agency: 4%
- DV: 6%
- Undergraduates: 4%

Returning Membership Professional Roles

- RCP Advocates: 10%
- Preventionists: 13%
- Other: 28%
- Title IX: 19%
- Campus PD: 4%
- State Agency: 10%
- DV: 9%
- Undergraduates: 4%
Satisfaction and Participation Trends

In 2017, only 54 professionals completed the annual New York State Campus Consent Consortium (NYSCCC) needs assessment. Despite the low response rate, the results of the survey helped leadership develop the next year's programming as well as began to form the initial professional working groups.

The 2018 Consortium survey included participation from 151 professionals in New York and across the country. This year, just over 25% of Consortium membership completed the survey.

The entire survey was voluntary, meaning if a participant began the survey there was no obligation to answer every question or to finish their responses. This resulted in a large number of survey participants but not necessarily a large data pool for each question. Sixty-nine percent of the total 151 survey participants completed the survey.

In analyzing the satisfaction and participation of current membership, this trend was particularly visible. Only 74 representatives from current membership shared their level of participation and satisfaction with 2017’s webinars and in-person trainings. From the data, we can also see that a majority of returning members who completed the survey did not participate in either an in-person training or webinar.
Satisfaction and Participation Trends

The satisfaction and participation sections of the survey were only completed by returning Consortium membership.

Do you feel that your participation in the Consortium has increased your knowledge of collegiate sexual assault issues?

15

10

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Yes
No

Do you feel that your participation in the Consortium has helped you better engage in a coordinated response to campus sexual assault?

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Yes
No

*Over 50% of participants who were Consortium members and completed this survey had not yet participated in any webinars or trainings in 2017, and so were unable to evaluate the Consortium’s effectiveness.*
Consortium Training Needs

The 2018 NYSCCC survey asked participants to select their most pressing training needs out of 24 collegiate response and prevention topics. Participants could choose as many topics as they liked.

Top 10 Training Topics

1. Meeting the needs of trans students
2. Meeting the needs of LGB students
3. Incorporating anti-racism into sexual violence work
4. Best practices in bystander intervention
5. Meeting the needs of international students
6. Best practices in university prevention initiatives
7. Primary prevention
8. Restorative Justice in the Title IX process
9. Sexual violence in intimate partner relationships

It’s clear from participants' responses that Consortium membership is extremely concerned with making sure that their prevention and response activities are meeting the needs of all students, including marginalized populations. In the following year, it will be essential that each training opportunity includes mandatory evaluation questions to shed light on the more specific needs of each of the top five training topics.
Consortium Collaborations

In the 2018 NYSCCC needs assessment, the survey asked new and returning membership if they are participants in local collaborative bodies such as Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs) or college consortiums. Although the NYSCCC is a statewide and national collaborative body, best practices show that communities that engage in local collaborative meetings are better prepared to address sexual violence in their communities.

Of the 151 survey participants, 104 people shared that they participate in either a SART or a college consortium. 21 participants were in both collaborative bodies.