



June 19-24, 2016

Law Enforcement Training Center

Pierre, SD

STUDENT APPLICATION INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in attending the 2016 South Dakota Victim Assistance Academy (SDVAA). To ensure a variety of representatives from different areas of the state, all potential students must submit an application in order to be considered.

The SDVAA will provide a 40 hour comprehensive, academic, interdisciplinary and interactive training program for crime victim service providers, advocates, allied professionals and others who work with crime victims. These students will be entry level professionals with 0-5 years of experience in their respective field. A comprehensive curriculum using adult learning theory will be utilized by instructors.

The mission of SDVAA is to support all allied professionals to enhance the delivery of culturally relevant, quality services to victims of crime in South Dakota through collaboration, coordination and education.

Four Core Principles of SDVAA

1. Victim Centered
 - Victim Rights including tribal, federal, state and local rights
 - Confidentiality
 - Culturally relevant
 - Professionalism
 - Ethics
2. Adult Learning
 - Basic, foundation level skills
3. Collaboration
 - Culturally relevant
 - Confidentiality
 - Defining roles and how to work together
 - Systems
4. Support Allied Professionals
 - Self care/resiliency
 - Trauma
 - Professionalism

The registration fee is \$225 and will cover all course material, breakfasts, lunches, and two suppers.

Fees are NOT due until notification of acceptance.

The deadline for returning the completed application and all attachments is March 1, 2016.



ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED

- Letter from supervisor authorizing your attendance and confirming their commitment to your training
- Completed application

Please return completed application and attachments to:

Kathy Rutten
South Dakota Network Against Family Violence & Sexual Assault
PO Box 90453
Sioux Falls, SD 57109
kathy@sdnafvsa.com

Students will be notified by April 4th, 2016, regarding selection. At that time, you will receive more information about the academy including lodging at the Law Enforcement Training Center. There will be no charge for lodging.

Because there is so much material to be covered in the academy, there will be some work required prior to attendance.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy at 605.731.0041 or kathy@sdnafvsa.com

