

**Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Program
Professional Standards Committee
Meeting Agenda**

Shelter for Help in Emergency- Community Outreach Center
Charlottesville, VA
October 24, 2018

Welcome & Remarks

Caroline Jones, Executive Director of Doorways for Women & Families

Approval of August and September Minutes

Review Comments for Standards #1-4

Closing Remarks

Public Comment

**Next Meeting: Wednesday November 28, 2018 from 10am-4pm
Shelter for Help in Emergency-Community Outreach Center
1415 Sachem Place, Suite #1, Charlottesville, VA 22901**

Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Program Professional Standards Committee

Code of Virginia: 9.1-116.3

The Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Program Professional Standards Committee (the Committee):

- *Shall establish voluntary accreditation standards and procedures by which local sexual and domestic violence programs can be systematically measured and evaluated with a peer-reviewed process.*
- *May adopt bylaws for its operation, membership terms, fees, and other items as necessary.*
- *Fees for accreditation shall be used to support any administrative costs of the Department.*
- *Upon request of the Committee, the Department and the Virginia sexual and domestic violence coalition may provide accreditation assistance and training and resource material that will assist the local programs in obtaining or retaining accreditation.*

Vision/Purpose/Value Statement

Vision

Throughout Virginia, all those impacted by Sexual and Domestic Violence have accessible, community-driven quality services and resources.

Purpose

To create standards that:

1. Credential Sexual and Domestic Violence agencies.
2. Ensure research-based best practices and inspire Sexual and Domestic Violence organizations to learn and evolve in order to best meet the needs of all those impacted by Sexual and Domestic Violence.
3. Ensure an informed core level of services is available to all those impacted by Sexual and Domestic Violence throughout Virginia.

Value Statement

The Professional Standards Committee commits to a respectful, thoughtful and transparent process to establish best practice standards for Sexual and Domestic Violence programs. We are mindful that these standards will be survivor-centered, inclusive and empowering for both programs and those impacted by Sexual and Domestic Violence.