

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

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Welcome and Remarks (5 minutes)

Ice Breaker (10 minutes): Share one thing that no one knows about you.

Review and Approval of September 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)

Application Release Update (10 minutes)

Discussion on Application Appeals Process (1 hour)

BREAK (10 minutes)

Review Revised Timeline (1 hour)

Initial Discussion: Materials Presented to PSC for Voting on Applicants (10 minutes)

Meeting Schedule Going Forward (10 minutes)

Other Member Announcements

Public Comment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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.