



Strengthening Partnerships: Achieving More Together



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► Collaboration

Highlight the significance of improved collaboration between victim advocacy professionals in both military and civilian communities.

► Similarities / Differences

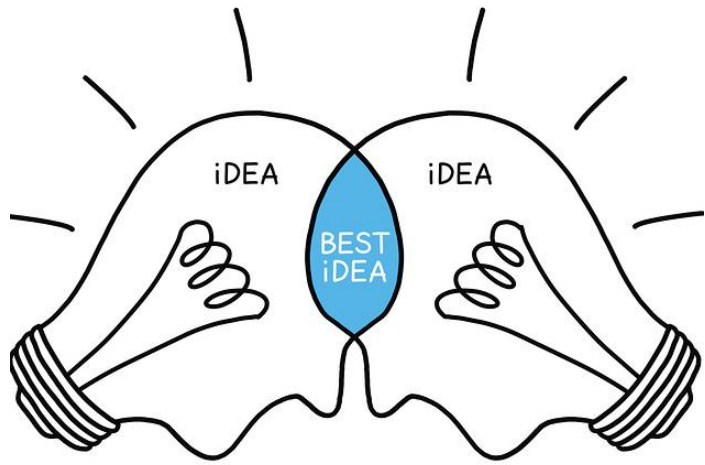
Understand similarities and differences between military and civilian advocacy programs.

► Challenges

Recognize factors that contribute to communication barriers between organizations and identify steps to overcome them.

Review the unique challenges faced by service members when reporting sexual assaults.

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- ▶ STUDENTS AGAINST SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND ASSAULT (SASH) / U.S. AIR FORCE
- ▶ ARMY SHARP STUDENT COUNCIL / U.S. ARMY

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Teal Tournament

- ▶ U.S. ARMY
- ▶ U.S. AIR FORCE
- ▶ U.S. NAVY
- ▶ U.S. MARINE CORPS
- ▶ MONTEREY COUNTY
RAPE CRISIS CENTER





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TEAL TOURNAMENT

Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM)

- Skit Competition***
- Color Run***





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SAAPM
Chalk Walks
Clothesline Project / Survivor Testimony Presentation



SAAPM - Teal Flags



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Monterey County Rape Crisis Center

Together With Love Run

Collaboration (Other Ways)

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▶ **1**

- ▶ Joint Training
 - VA Training
 - CEU Training
 - Lessons Learned



▶ **2**

- ▶ Community Response Teams



▶ **3**

- ▶ Board Membership

▶ **4**

- ▶ Military Liaison



SUPPORT FOR MEN
AND THOSE WHO CARE ABOUT THEM

▶ **5**

- ▶ Cross Train



Similarities

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▶ **1**

- ▶ Assigned VA Support and Accompaniments

▶ **2**

- ▶ Confidentiality

▶ **3**

- ▶ 24/7 Crisis Support Lines

▶ **4**

- ▶ Referral for Counseling and Therapy

▶ **5**

- ▶ VA Certification



Differences

▶ **1**

- ▶ VA Support Varies

▶ **2**

- ▶ Confidentiality

▶ **3**

- ▶ Financial Support

▶ **4**

- ▶ Peer Support Groups

▶ **5**

- ▶ Human Trafficking
- ▶ Child Abuse



Challenges (Organizational)

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▶ **1**

- ▶ Too Busy

▶ **2**

- ▶ Personnel Changes

▶ **3**

- ▶ Unwilling To Learn

▶ **4**

- ▶ Motivation



I'm SO Busy.....

- ✓ Carve Out Time
- ✓ Make It A Priority
- ✓ Don't Wait To Be Told
- ✓ Be Flexible





Hi, I'm the new SARC.....

- ✓ Embrace It
- ✓ Be Culturally Aware
- ✓ Tap Into New Motivation
- ✓ What's In It For Us?

I already know how to do that.....

- ✓ Landscape Changes
- ✓ Be Innovative
- ✓ Be Teachable
- ✓ Always Share Ideas





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I want to be an advocate because.....

- ✓ **It's Personal**
- ✓ **Benefits to Career**
- ✓ **Enjoy Serving Others**
- ✓ **I Was Voluntold**

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*“I’ve learned that people **WILL** forget what you said.
People **WILL** forget what you did, but people **WILL**
never forget how you made them feel.”*

-Maya Angelou

Working together allows
our organizations to
provide world class quality
care for survivors – and
that’s what each of them
deserve.



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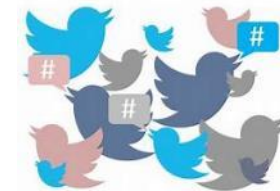
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