



Maryland Children's Alliance, Inc.

# Initial Victim Service Provider Training

The SCNCAC initial Victim Service Provider (VSP) training is a blended learning course which combines in-person virtual instruction with an online learning component conducted via the SCNCAC eLearning portal. It has been approved by the National Children's Alliance for accreditation standards. Through a cooperative agreement between Maryland Children's Alliance and SCNCAC, this course is being offered to **Maryland Children's Alliance member CAC** victim/family advocates. **Participants must complete the online portion of the training before attending the in-person training.**

## Training Topics Include

Training topics include: review and practice of communication skills, trauma-informed care, cultural competency, crisis intervention or de-escalation, developing strategies to overcome barriers through motivational interviewing, ethics, identify roles of different VSPs/Advocates, identifying resources and referrals, discuss strengths, limitations, and possible overlap or conflicting roles of different VSPs, Partner and collaborate with other agencies to meet the needs of victims with special needs/considerations, Victims' Rights and Statues, crime victim compensation, criminal justice system and court procedures, introduction to vicarious trauma for victim services, our historical foundations, the medical exam, and Data Systems and OMS. This training will consist of the following components:

01.

**8 hours of online instruction through the SCNCAC eLearning portal**

02.

**16 hours of in-person training via a virtual platform**

## When and Where

This training will be conducted in a virtual format on the dates and times of the VSP sessions listed below.

- June 14, 2021 - Registration Opens
- July 1, 2021 - Online Modules Open
- July 14, 2021 - Registration Closes
- July 22, 2021 - Online Modules Close
- July 27, 2021 - VSP Session 8am - 3pm
- July 28, 2021 - VSP Session 8am - 4pm
- July 29, 2021 - VSP Session 8am - 1:45pm

### More Information

Participants completing all training requirements will receive a certificate of completion from SCNCAC which meets NCA accreditation standards for Victim Advocate training. Maryland Children's Alliance member Victim/Family Advocates should check with the Maryland Children's Alliance for any additional training requirements in Maryland.



### Continuing Education

Up to 24 continuing education contact hours are available.



### Registration Cost

This training is free of charge for Maryland Children's Alliance member CAC Victim/Family Advocates. There is a fee for non-member Victim/Family Advocates.

For more information and registration visit [cac-sc.org/VSP](https://cac-sc.org/VSP)  
Contact the Maryland Children's Alliance at [meg@marylandchildrensalliance.org](mailto:meg@marylandchildrensalliance.org)