Collecting Your Own Data

OVC grantees are required to collect performance measures data to submit as part of quarterly reports using the OVC Performance Measurement Tool (PMT). However, in addition to the OVC performance measures data, you may want to gather additional information regarding your work, or about the unmet needs in your community.

Many resources and links are available from the OVC-funded Center for Victim Research. These include tools and trainings on:

- **Working Together**, with information about finding a research partner, tips for successful collaboration, and what to include in a Memorandum of Understanding.
- **Collecting Data**, with links to resources and guides and a collection of survey instruments, interview guides, and focus group protocols.
- **Evaluation**, including an explanation of the types of evaluation and links to evaluation guides.
- **Needs Assessments**, including guides and overviews.

You’ll also find a directory of victim researchers, searchable by state and expertise. If you don’t already have a local research partner, this directory can help you find one.
About the OVC-BJA National Stakeholder Partnership (NSP)

The content provided by this resource is made possible through participation in the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) and Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) National Stakeholder Partnership (NSP). This partnership, comprising seven national organizations, leverages expertise on child and youth impacted and victimized by the nation’s opioid and broader substance use crisis, with an emphasis on multidisciplinary collaborations, research, and promotion of training and education. Members of the NSP dedicate time and resources to inform the planning, development, and implementation of OVC and BJA initiatives designed to respond to, treat, and support those impacted by the opioid epidemic, specifically young victims. In addition, members participate in informative national conversations regarding children and youth impact and best-practice models that focus on innovative strategies and force-multiplying partnerships.

The overarching goals of this work are to advance awareness and knowledge to help mitigate the traumatization of children and youth and to advance dissemination of innovative practices throughout the field. NSP member organizations are:

- Police, Treatment and Community Collaborative
- National Court Appointed Special Advocates/Guardians ad Litem Association
- Justice Research and Statistics Associates
- National Children’s Advocacy Center
- National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children
- National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
- National Center for State Courts

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