Regional MDT SVU-CSA Response Team

This team will operate out of Watertown, SD. This team will be responsible for the following:

1. **Case review management** – Scheduling case review, providing a list of children seen by regional team members during, facilitate case review and manage meeting notes and data.

2. **Training** – Provide direct training or arrange training for MDT local response teams to ensure all teams have up to date training to respond effectively to emerging trends in child abuse and neglect.

3. **Local MDT Oversight** – Provide post-mort case review to help determine the strengths and weakness of Local MDT Response Teams. Provide communication for any problems which may need to be rectified by supervisors of the Local MDT Response Team members.

4. **Data Collection** – Ensure pilot project has clear, measurable goals which will be reflected in the data collected and managed by Regional MDT Response Team.

5. **Identifying partners** – Identify partners in the assigned region for mental health services, advocacy for children and families, travel and accommodations, if required for the investigation, and other victim services as determined through case review.

6. **Coordinate Interagency Agreements**

Regional MDT Response Team Members

- Law Enforcement – DCI
- CPS – Regional Manager
- Prosecutor – Regional Prosecutor (Deputy States Attorney for multiple counties)
- Medical – Child abuse medical provider trained in child physical and sexual abuse, is able to evaluate both children and adolescents, and is able to diagnose, prescribe for and provide medical recommendations for these victims – a physician, physician’s assistant, or nurse practitioner specifically trained in child abuse. The child abuse medical provider is commonly employed by or contracted to a Child Advocacy Center.
- Victim Advocacy – May be from the CAC, or a community agency
- Child Advocacy Center – Forensic Interviewer or CAC Director
- Person responsible for managing team and coordinating info, case reviews and data collection – generally this is the responsibility of the CAC, but could be done through law enforcement, prosecutor’s office, or CPS.
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Local MDT SVU-CSA Response Teams Responsibilities

- Respond to all calls of reported child sexual abuse in local MDT region as well as possibly other regions if requested – refer all cases of suspected child sexual abuse to the CAC.

- Attend monthly case review, prepared to discuss cases from their local region as well as any other cases for which they may have responded as part of the regional response team

- Complete data requests as needed for pilot study evaluation

- Attend regular MDT training provided by Regional MDT SVU-CSA Response Team