

## SAKWG SAKI Victim Notification Progress Report September 14, 2018

Total number of CODIS hits from 2015 Grant Cases (1011 kits from cases that predate April 2015 that had previously not been sent to the lab for testing): 97

Number of "Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Case Victim Notification" Letters Sent from DSS to Multidisciplinary Partners to flag SAKI cases with CODIS hits: 18

Total Meetings between Victim Advocates and Police Officers to discuss cases and notification of victim: 8

- Number of Victims Notified: 2
  - Notified over the phone: 2
- Number of meetings where victim was unable to be reached by phone: 3
  - o 2 letters sent with PO Box
  - 1 pending additional attempts
- Number of cases police departments declined to notify victim after meeting with advocate: 3

Number of cases where Police Officer notified victim without using advocate: 1

Number of cases where the Police Officer both declined to meet with advocate and declined to notify the victim: 2

Anticipated meetings between Advocates and Police Officers to discuss notification: 6

- Meeting to discuss 2 CODIS hit cases from 2009 out of Middlebury where the DNA is from the same named offender. This offender was arrested in 2012 for Sexual Assault and Unlawful Restraint in the 1st Degree and was convicted in 2014 of Unlawful Restraint in the 1st. He was sentenced to 1 year jail, execution suspended, 3 years probation. The offender had his probation terminated in 2018 and he is currently living in the community without supervision.
- Notification pending.
- 4 meetings between advocates and detectives are currently being scheduled

Number of cases where the status is unknown if Officer made contact with Victim Advocate to discuss notification: **1** 

## Status of Victim Notification for SAKI cases prior to introduction of DSS Letters to SAKWG partners

There are 79 cases which the team will require additional information about in order to coordinate notification. To date of these cases, The Alliance SAKI Specialist has been informed of one coordinated notification between an officer and victim advocate where the victim was notified in person of a CODIS hit. The victim decided not to move forward with the case at that time.