

National  
Institute

*for*

SART Team  
Leaders

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Bloomington, MN  
May 8-10, 2017



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## About SVJI

SVJI@MNCASA assists multidisciplinary teams (CCRs, SARTs, MDTs, etc.) in designing and strengthening their response to sexual assault victims/survivors in their local communities. With continued partnership and support from the Office on Violence Against Women, we are excited to host the *National Institute for Team Leaders* taking place at the Airport Hilton in Bloomington, Minnesota, near the Mall of America.

## About the National Institute for SART Team Leaders

The Institute is a 2 ½ day program designed for coordinators, team leaders, and state and territorial level leaders who coordinate or support local teams responding to sexual violence.

The Institute's primary goal is to build the capacity of team leaders to design and facilitate effective team processes. Effective team leadership is essential to a team's overall development, and we know that it is complex, challenging, and rewarding work. Creating social change and systems improvement requires more than knowledge of best practices — it also requires the ability to influence multiple systems and agencies toward *improved outcomes*. The Institute will help you lead multidisciplinary teams as they design, implement, and evaluate their community's response to sexual violence.

## When and Where?

The Institute will open promptly at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, May 8, and will conclude at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10. The Institute is in Bloomington, Minnesota at the Hilton MSP Airport, near the Mall of America.

## What is the cost of attending?

**There is no registration fee.** Federal per diem Lodging rates: \$145.00 for single and \$145.00 for double occupancy. You must make and pay for your travel and hotel arrangements **AFTER** you have received confirmation of registration. You are not registered until you receive a confirmation from SVJI.

## What should I expect?

The Institute is designed to be a highly interactive learning environment with a mix of plenary presentations, work sessions, cohort discussions and developing plans of action. You will build skills, cultivate connections, expand your networks, and engage in peer-to-peer exchanges. Attendees can expect to learn strategies, tools, and approaches that lead to improved results and team processes.

## When can I register?

**January 3, 2017:** Registration opens for team leaders funded through the Office on Violence Against Women's (OVW) Grants for RURAL grantees. Rural grantees may use their OVW set-aside training funds to cover travel expenses to attend this event and do not need to get approval from their OVW program specialist.

**February 6, 2017:** Registration opens for all other team leaders. Priority registration continues for RURAL grantees.

**April 9, 2017:** Registration Closes.

[Register online here.](#)

## Who is eligible to attend?

In order to create a dynamic and meaningful environment, the National Institute is limited to 100 total participants and registration is limited to two people per team. Team coordinators, team leadership, and state/territorial level positions that coordinate or support local teams responding to sexual violence. **We strongly encourage the attendance of 2 team members per team.** First priority is given to OVW funded Rural Grantees.

## What if I'm a State and Territorial Level Leader?

A separate track for these leaders will be part of the Institute to build capacity for their unique role in advancing the work of multidisciplinary teams in their states or territories. The second day of the Institute will give you the opportunity to participate in a day-long session designed for state level leaders.

## Are meals and snacks included?

Meals, snacks, and beverages are not included. The hotel provides different food options, and adequate time will be provided for lunch.

## What if I have more questions about the National Institute?

Please contact Johnanna Ganz, Rural Projects Coordinator, SVJI @ MNCASA at [jganz@mncasa.org](mailto:jganz@mncasa.org) or 651.209.9993 x7451.

Register online at [svji.org](http://svji.org)!

# Agenda at a Glance

## Day One: Building Knowledge, Building Skills

Attendees will have a full day of a plenary session as well as three breakout sessions of their choosing featuring national and local leaders in their fields. Sessions are marked for foundational knowledge or advanced knowledge. Each session will leave time at the end to ask questions of the faculty, apply concepts learned in the presentation, and discuss your community's specific needs.

## Day Two: Expanding Relationships and Developing Collaboration

During the second full day, attendees will enjoy another opening plenary session, and then, working cohorts grouped by similar needs. Throughout this highly interactive day, will share their knowledge and expertise with their peers, while also learning from others working in the field of sexual violence and multi-disciplinary teams.

## Day Three: Improving Our Work

In the final day of the National Institute, attendees will spend their mornings working in an interactive plenary session that helps participants learn how to better understand the value and impact of sexual assault response work. Participants will learn how to make the case for evaluation and will walk away with tools and strategies to begin improving their work through evaluation.

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