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Sexual Assault Coalition

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APRIL 8, 2024

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PRE-CONFERENCE TLPI AGENDA

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9am - 3:30pm Caramel I	MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024
9am - 9:15am	Welcome, Introductions, Opening Prayer
9:15am - 10:15am	Unit 1: Introduction to Sex Trafficking in Indian Country This unit will provide participants with a basic understanding of sex trafficking as it impacts Native people. We will provide an overview of the Curriculum – the history, how it came to be, and how it is useful to advocates.
10:15am - 10:30am	BREAK
10:30am - 11:30am	Unit 2: Identifying & Screening for Sex Trafficking This unit will provide tools and information that would enable proper and early identification of potential victims of sex trafficking to develop a victim-centered, culturally appropriate response. Emphasize the importance of understanding trafficker behaviors and the methods used to keep victims trapped.
11:30am - 12:30pm	LUNCH (on your own)
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Unit 3: Advocacy for Victims of Sex Trafficking This unit will provide participants with practical tips and guidance for effective advocacy on behalf of sex trafficking victims.
1:30pm - 2:00pm	BREAK
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Unit 4: Legal Advocacy – Foundational Information for Advocates This unit is designed to provide participants with practical tips and guidance for effective advocacy within civil and criminal legal systems on behalf of sex trafficking victims. This unit addresses several crucial issues including privacy, confidentiality and privilege related to victim information, basic civil and legal needs of victims and victim’s rights.
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Closing Remarks and Debrief

PRE-CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

Bonnie Clairmont serves from TLPI's Minnesota office. Prior to her employment with TLPI, she was the Outreach/Client Services Coordinator for Sexual Offense Services of Ramsey County, a rape crisis center. While employed there, Bonnie provided leadership in the development of Sexual Assault Response Teams and Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner programs and offered guidance with multidisciplinary sexual assault protocol development. She has worked more than twenty-five years advocating for victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. She has dedicated much of her work to providing and improving services for victim/survivors of sexual assault, battering, and child sexual abuse, particularly those from American Indian communities. For four years she coordinated the Strengthening the Circle of Trust Conference, a conference focusing on sexual assault and exploitation perpetrated by American Indian spiritual leaders/medicine men. Bonnie co-edited a recently published book "Sharing Our Stories of Survival" an anthology of writing by Native Women who've experienced violence. Bonnie provided technical assistance to research conducted by Amnesty International USA that led to the report, "Maze of Injustice: The failure to protect Indigenous Women from sexual violence in the USA." She and her partner Jim Clairmont have two children and five grandchildren.

Kelly Stoner serves as TLPI's Victim Advocacy Legal Specialist. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in 1988. For the past twenty years, Kelly has taught at the North Dakota School of Law and Oklahoma City University School of Law (OKCU) where she taught American Indian/ Tribal Law and Domestic Violence related classes. She directed the University of North Dakota Native American Law Project that served clients of the Spirit Lake Reservation with a caseload that targeted domestic violence and sexual assault cases. In 2011, Kelly was appointed as a Judge for the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma. She also supervised a project in partnership with the Apache Tribe of Oklahoma that established a SAFE Unit at a local hospital, recruited SANEs and targeted community education on domestic violence and sexual assault. Kelly directed the Native American Legal Resource Center at OKCU where she supervised law students prosecuting Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking cases and representing victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in civil matters. She is a frequent lecturer for the American Bar Association's Commission on Domestic Violence and for the Office on Violence Against Women's national technical assistance providers on domestic violence issues in Indian Country. Ms. Stoner helped to launch Oklahoma's only tribal coalition against domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking- the Native Alliance Against Violence.

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