

Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia
VOCA 2016-2017 Post-Adjudication Project
New Post-Adjudication VSSR Services
Definitions

Begin Post-Adjudication Services (one-time selection)

Although not a “service” in the traditional sense, adding this service provides a date at which **the victim advocate** determines that post-adjudication services begin. All services added after this service has been added will be counted as a “post-adjudication service”.

Referred Victim to DOC/PAP/DCS

Refers to providing information to crime victims on how to register with post-sentencing agencies (e.g. DOC/PAP/DCS) for notification purposes. Includes referrals of any nature ONLY to post-sentencing agencies. Includes contact made to post-sentencing agencies by advocate on behalf of victim for notification purposes.

Unit of Service: Each separate encounter between advocate and victim (or advocate and post-sentencing agency representative) whether in-person, by telephone, email or form letter.

Contacted Victim on behalf of DOC/PAP/DCS

Refers to locating and contacting victim upon receipt of notification or request from DOC/PAP/DCS for any reason (e.g. impending release of offender, Solicitation for Stakeholder Input, etc.).

Unit of Service: Each separate attempt to contact victim as a result of a request from a post-sentencing agency whether in-person, by telephone, email or form letter.

***NOTE: Each individual request from a post-sentencing agency may represent many hours of work from advocates as they attempt to locate victim(s). Hours spent on each separate request may be documented in the “Short Note” field if desired.*

Provided OPM/Exit Survey

Refers to providing Outcome Performance Measurement (OPM) Survey to victim after he/she has substantially completed the program. This service ONLY refers to delivery of the actual survey. Any additional communication with a victim should be counted as a separate service in the category that is most appropriate.

Unit of Service: Each separate delivery of an OPM/Exit Survey to victim.

***NOTE: OPM/Exit Surveys should be presented to a victim that has “substantially completed the program”. OPM/Exit Surveys may be delivered to a victim more than one time if a significant amount of time has passed between each stage of the criminal justice process. For example, you may provide a survey during the prosecution phase of the criminal justice process; however, it may be necessary to provide a survey several months/years later during the post-adjudication phase. Additionally, you may provide a survey to a victim served only during the post-adjudication phase.*