

SUPERVISION OF SEX OFFENDERS IN THE COMMUNITY: **A Training Curriculum**

Outline of Section 5: Practical Supervision Strategies

Time Allotment: 4 hours, 30 minutes, including Learning Activities

Subject Matter: This section identifies eleven aspects of supervision as they apply to sex offenders in the community. Maintaining control of interactions, initial interviews, handling denial, making use of different case work settings, and testifying in court are the major topic areas. Other particularly important areas include dealing with lapses, working with families, and secondary trauma. The opportunity exists, here in particular, for trainers to focus on those areas of most concern to participants. For example, if participants have significant experience and training in testifying in court, then that segment can be abbreviated or eliminated to allow more time for other topics that are of more interest to participants.

Learning Activities: The Learning Activities in this section invite participants to consider and share practices or techniques they've used or experiences they've had or are concerned about in the context of supervision. The activities include discussion questions, role playing, analysis of specific techniques, and planning for the application of the most useful information to the individual's case management practices. The role play activity uses the facts of the Case Study to provide a structure for practice in interviewing. Keep in mind that this was not designed to be a skill-building training per se and participants may feel like they need more training or practice in applying some of these techniques and strategies. Trainers may want to consider following up the training with additional skill-building sessions.

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