Cultural Awareness Certification

In an effort to encourage cultural awareness and outreach to traditionally underserved communities TAASA has developed a Cultural Awareness Certification program designed for all agencies. Disclaimer: This certification does not ensure competence as that would require standardized testing and advanced curricula.

3 year Time Period

30 hour requirement
(Starting with the date of the first approved class)

The classes must include topics that are specific to at least one of the following:
  o Sexual assault
  o Advocacy
  o Therapeutic response
  o Outreach

- Female genital mutilation
- Human Trafficking
- Rural Populations
- Youth specific
- Military Community
- Prison populations
- Homeless
- Drug or Alcohol clients
- Cross cultural communication

- Native Americans
- Latinos
- African Americans
- Asian
- GLBT
- Seniors/elderly
- People with disability
- Male Victims
- Immigrants
- Religious denominations

CoreCourses (22 hours)
Electives (8 hours)
Participants must complete a total of 30 hours of training/classes. As indicated by the chart 22 hours must be the core classes. 8 hours of electives. Topics may be repeated as long as verification information is turned in.

All TAASA trainers and trainers at TAASA sponsored conferences/trainings can be assumed qualified to present on the given topics. We encourage participants to seek other trainings as well.

What you need to do
1. Attend a workshop on any of the required topics
2. Send to TAASA /ATTN: Rose Luna a copy of the following
   o Workshop description
   o Brief bio/resume of the instructor (TAASA instructors are an exception)
   o Proof of attendance (sign in sheet, certificate)
   o Indicate length of workshop
3. Rose Luna will notify of the acceptance or non acceptance status of that particular workshop.
4. TAASA will keep record of information turned in.
5. Your time period begins the date of the first approved class.
6. We will retroact to the 2004 Annual TAASA Conference in El Paso. If you attended an approved workshop send information to Rose Luna.

Please feel free to contact me at 512-474-7190 ext. 7010 or rluna@taasa.org