

## **Vermont Victim Assistance Academy Timeline**

<b>August 2000</b>	Collaborative planning group begins full-time work developing the VVAA (needs assessments, focus groups, and interviews).
<b>February 2001</b>	Based on feedback from interviews and questionnaires, the collaborative planning group determines the VVAA structure, audience, trainer pool, timing, and mission. Several subcommittees are formed: the Tri-State Victim Assistance Consortium, Curriculum and Training, and Credentialing and Standards.
<b>March</b>	Meeting with Curriculum and Training subcommittee.
<b>April</b>	Dr. Dana DeHart visits to discuss standards for victim assistance. Structure and schedule of the Tri-State Victim Assistance Consortium are planned. Work on text begins.
<b>May</b>	Advisory Group members are recruited. Curriculum and Training subcommittee determines topics, hours, and trainers.
<b>June</b>	Advisory Group meets to determine adoption and implementation plan; outlines accrediting process.
<b>July– September</b>	Text revision continues. Individual training groups meet to plan sections.
<b>September</b>	Tri-State Victim Assistance Consortium’s first training, “Trauma Response” (an advanced VVAA training), scheduled for September 12, is rescheduled. Text revision continues.
<b>October</b>	Individual training groups meet to plan. Standards for Victim Assistance Forum held. Advisory Group confirms pilot audience and works on brochure and implementation plan. Text revision continues.
<b>November</b>	Training of Trainers and Gathering of Trainers held for all VVAA trainers and consultants. Text revision continues.
<b>December</b>	Brochure designed. Logistics for VVAA sites confirmed. Identification and recruitment of pilot participants. Meetings with individual training groups. Text revision continues.
<b>January 2002</b>	Rescheduled “Trauma Response” training held (Tri-State Victim Assistance Consortium). Advisory Group reviews recruitment of participants. Text revision continues.

**February–May**

Texts, lesson plans, CLEs, CEUs, and logistics and delivery of VVAA section 1, north and central) are finalized. Meeting with October trainers. Two new members to the Advisory Group added. All VVAA materials submitted for review to the National Victim Assistance Standards Consortium (NVASC) grant.

**June–October**

October section of text, lesson plans, logistics, and VVAA delivery finalized. Materials submitted for review to NVASC grant. Attendance at Vermont standards meetings.

**October–February  
2003**

Meeting held with Advisory Group to determine long-term group allotments. Brochure revised, and text, lesson plans, and logistics prepared for February VVAA. Meetings with all trainers. Summer trainer retreat planned. Pilot year completed! Revision process underway to deliver first regular VVAA in May 2003.