



**Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Task Force
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, April 29th, 2021
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM**



April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). This year the Friendship Center in Helena, Montana is hosting *IT STARTS WITH ME. I ask. I Speak Up. I Believe*. For the month of April, the Friendship Center will host virtual presentations and speakers. It is open to everyone. To find out more visit <https://www.thefriendshipcenter.org/>

This month is also home to Denim Day. Denim Day, in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, is a campaign on a Wednesday in April. This year it is April 28, 2021. To learn more about Denim Day, please visit <https://www.denimdayinfo.org/why-denim>

National Sexual Violence Resource Center SAAM Events <https://www.nsvrc.org/saam/2021/getinvolved/events>

Opening Remarks

- Message from Attorney General Knudsen

Montana Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System

- Information: Race and County of Residence
- DNA and CODIS Results metrics

MT DOJ SAKI 2020 Grant Award

- Award status and update

MT DOJ SAKI Unsubmitted¹ SAK Inventory and Testing

- Discuss lessons learned or strategies for the Forensic Science Division.
- SAKI 2020 Inventory of unsubmitted and partially tested SAKs
- Identify data collected for each unsubmitted and partially² tested SAK to DCI
 - See page 1 and 2 of Supplement Documents attachment
- SAK submission plan
 - See page 3 of Supplement Documents attachment.
- Tracking unsubmitted and partially tested SAKs in the Kit Track System

MT DOJ SAKI Case Reviews and Survivor Notifications

- SAKI Welcome Packet suggestions and amendments
 - See SAKI Welcome Packet Binder attachment
- Discuss Montana Victim Notification Protocols
 - See Victim Notification Protocols attachment

Future Meeting Date(s)

- Schedule next meeting dates if possible

¹ Unsubmitted SAKs are SAKs that have not been submitted to a forensic laboratory for testing and analysis using CODIS-eligible DNA methodologies.

² Partially Tested SAK is a SAK that has only been subjected to serological screening, or that has previously been tested with non-CODIS-eligible DNA methodologies (e.g., RFLP or DQAlpha).