



**Memorandum of Agreement
Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence
College of Micronesia – FSM (COM-FSM)**

Pacific Partners Project

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is by and between **Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence (GCASAFV)** and **College of Micronesia – Federated States of Micronesia (COM-FSM)** to provide a safe, healthy campus; facilitate effective response to students experiencing sexual assault; and support sexual assault policies and prevention initiatives.

WHEREAS, GCASAFV and COM-FSM have collaborated to submit this Pacific Partners Project (PPP) proposal in response to the announcement availability of funds for the College Sexual Assault Policy and Prevention Initiative by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH)/Office on Women's Health (OWH).

WHEREAS, GCASAFV, established in 2006, is committed to ending sexual assault and family violence on Guam and the region. GCASAFV is recognized as the territory's sexual assault coalition by the US Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, and as the territory's domestic violence coalition by the US Department of Health and Human Services, Family Violence Prevention and Services Program. GCASAFV's mission is to identify and address the community's needs, promote cultural sensitivity for all victims of sexual assault and family violence by raising community awareness, provide access to services and build the capacity of providers through systems advocacy, education, outreach, and training.

WHEREAS, COM-FSM is an accredited two-year institution of higher education offering 32 certificates and degrees. COM-FSM serves the Federated States of Micronesia on six campuses across the four main FSM islands – Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap. The administrative center of the institution is located at the National Campus in Palikir, Pohnpei, which serves all four states as the primary campus for delivery of two-year degree programs and professional certificate programs. The four state campuses focus on developmental and career and technical education, and the FSM Fisheries and Maritime Institute provides specialized training in navigation, marine engineering, and fishing technology. While COM-FSM does have an interim Title IX coordinator and policy on sexual assault, there is no record of reported incidences.

WHEREAS, GCASAFV and COM-FSM recognize the need to address prevention of campus sexual assault and gaps in services in the Pacific region;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with GCASAFV's proposal for the Pacific Partners Project, it is hereby agreed by and between GCASAFV and the COM-FSM as follows:

A. Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence:

1. Shall serve as the lead agency for this application and proposed Pacific Partners Project.

2. Shall establish a Technical Advisory Group (TAG) team from among the partners.
 - a. With the TAG Team, will develop policies and prevention strategies relevant to COM-FSM and:
 - i. Incorporate White House Task Force on Campus Sexual Assault resources.
 - ii. Develop a communications plan in accordance with the proposed activities.
 - iii. Disseminate guidelines to develop and implement prevention policies and activities including impact and reach markers.
 3. Will provide technical assistance to COM-FSM with creating, strengthening, and facilitating change of social norms to ensure safe and healthy school environments.
 4. Will establish a COM-FSM Task Force to include school leadership/organizations and relevant community sexual assault service providers.
 - a. In accordance with guidelines provided by GCASAFV, the Task Force will:
 - i. Develop and implement strategies appropriate to COM-FSM's specific needs;
 - ii. Meet twice per academic year; and
 - iii. Plan and implement two SA prevention activities per academic year including bystander intervention.
 5. With the Task Force, will identify individuals who will respond to victims of sexual assault following pre-established guidelines and comprise the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) for COM-FSM that may include Task Force members.
 6. Will work directly with OASH/OWH, the funding agency, and be responsible for contractual obligations with OASH/OWH including compiling the required reports.
- B. College of Micronesia – FSM:
1. Shall commit to participate as a key partner and stakeholder of the proposed Pacific Partners Project.
 2. Shall commit to serving as a member of TAG Team to assist with review of policies and prevention strategies relevant to our organization; provide input and support for the PPP communications plan; support GCASAFV with the development and implementation prevention policies and activities; and participate in monthly TAG team meetings.
 3. Shall work with GCASAFV with establishing the Task Force at COM-FSM to review prevention strategies to meet our school's specific needs; meet twice per academic year; and support two sexual assault prevention activities per academic year, including bystander intervention.
 4. Shall coordinate with GCASAFV to identify individuals and/or providers to respond to victims of sexual assault following pre-established guidelines and comprise the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) for COM-FSM.
 5. Will support GCASAFV with providing information to assess Project progress.

- C. GCASAFV and COM-FSM agree that the roles and responsibilities described above are contingent on GCASAFV receiving funds requested for the Pacific Partners Project described in GCASAFV's grant application to OASH/OWH. Responsibilities under the MOA will coincide with the FY2016 Competitive Cooperative Agreement for the College Sexual Assault Policy and Prevention Initiative, anticipated to be from 07/01/2016 through 06/30/2017 and may be extended annually, not to exceed 06/30/2019.
- D. GCASAFV and OASH/OWH agree that compensation will be provided as outlined in the attached budget detail worksheet, pending approval by the funding agency.

We, the undersigned, have read and agree with this MOA. Further, we have reviewed the proposed project narrative and approve it.

**GUAM COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT & FAMILY VIOLENCE
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