



## Announcement – Notification of Change

In an effort to improve services for crime victims in South Carolina, legislation was passed on July 1, 2017 to restructure, consolidate and co-locate multiple state agencies to the Attorney General's Office. The passage of this legislation created the South Carolina Crime Victim Services (SCCVS) Division in the Office of the Attorney General. The Department of Crime Victim Compensation (DCVC), formally known as the State Office of Victim Assistance (SOVA), was one of the state agencies moved to this new division.

The restructuring requires a major change to SOVA's forms and letters for the Sexual Assault Program.

Effective immediately, all of "SOVA's billing statements" will reflect the change "Department of Crime Victim Compensation (DCVC)" and providers are asked to discontinue using all of the old "SOVA Billing Statements".

This change will affect the following providers/users:

- The South Carolina Network of Children's Advocacy Centers
- The South Carolina State Law Enforcement Division
- The Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners
- The Hospital Association

In an effort to manage a smooth transition to the South Carolina Crime Victim Services (SCCVS) Division, in the Office of the Attorney General, any outdated forms will be rejected after October 1, 2017. All rejected forms will be returned to the provider, and providers will have 45 days to resubmit the request for payments on new forms.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this transitional period.