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Rights of Victims/Survivors Post-Conviction and Trauma-Informed Response

10th Annual Responding to the Needs of Victims Conference **Overview Outline** Friday, October 3, 2025

Who We Are

- OVS Staff
- Professional diversity of OVS Staff/backgrounds
- Our scope, make-up of department and scope of services

Statutes that Guide Post-Conviction Notifications

- O.R.C. 5120.60 Office of Victim Services
- O.R.C. 2930
- Administrative Code 5120:1-1-14 Victim Conference
- Administrative Code 5120:1-1-08 Full Board Hearings

Mandatory Notifications

- Incarcerated Person deaths
- Escapes and Apprehensions
- Parole Eligibility of Incarcerated Individuals
- Full Board Hearings (FBH)
- Clemency
- Transitional Control (TC)
- Parole
- Post Release Control (PRC)

Courtesy Notifications

- Community Work Assignments
- Media involvement
- Release to Community from Restrictive Housing
- Death notifications to prosecuting attorneys' offices
- Supervisee deaths
- Funeral visits
- Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS)
- Transitional Control Violations (TC Violators)

Sub SB 160 Who will be searched for-by DRC's Notification Unit

Parents, Children, Siblings, Spouse of Offenders of Violence O.R.C. 2901.01(A)(9)

Who will not be searched for

- Courtesy registrants
- Parents, Children, Siblings, Spouse of non-homicide convictions

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Methods of Notification

- Letters
- Emails
- Phone Calls
- Texts

Moving Forward...Things to Consider

Departmental changes to victim conference day and full board hearing participation starting
December 1, 2025

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