The Adult Advocacy Centers Model

Centers
• Design and build centers with disability-specific accommodations, beyond ADA requirements by integrating Universal, Multi-Sensory and Trauma-Informed Design
• Create mobile team and RV unit
• Adapt or create assessments, treatment plans, trauma indicator tools and safety plans in accessible formats
• Coordinate regional multi-disciplinary teams (MDTs)
• Implement forensic medical evaluations and develop protocols
• Carry out forensic interviews with advanced disability-specific training
• Coordinate cases

Programs
• Develop disability-specific and inclusive community education and resources
• Develop an IT case management system specifically for the AACs
• Develop support services and trauma-specific aftercare for individuals with disabilities, including support groups

Training
• Create training centers in all AACs
• Create and coordinate advanced disability-specific training in a wide variety of areas, including forensic interviewing, investigating interview techniques, assisted technology

Partnerships
• Advocate and support
• Consult with national experts in the fields of abuse, forensic services, specific disabilities, support services, medical, criminal justice, clinical services and advocacy
• Collaborate with people with disabilities, including survivors, to develop accessible resources, trainings and education specifically for victims of crime