

The Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA)

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The Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) is an international, multi-disciplinary organization dedicated to preventing sexual abuse. ATSA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the prevention of sexual abuse through effective treatment and management of individuals who sexually offend. Through research, education, and shared learning ATSA promotes evidence-based practice, public policy, and community strategies that lead to the effective assessment, treatment, and management of individuals who have sexually abused or are at risk to abuse.

ATSA is an association of individuals from around the world committed to achieving a high level of professional excellence. ATSA promotes the philosophy that empirically based assessment, practice, management, and policy strategies will: enhance community safety, reduce sexual recidivism, protect victims and vulnerable populations, transform the lives of those caught in the web of sexual violence, and illuminate paths to prevent sexual abuse.

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Summary table of how VPA participants will be implementing the Plan of Action for the GCVP and achieving its goals for the period June 2012 - June 2014

Click on hyperlink to access names of VPA participants

Plan of action goals	% of VPA participants who have a goal which coincides with this goal of the Plan of Action?	% of VPA participants undertaking activities contributing to achieving this goal	% of VPA participants planning to accomplish activities relevant to this goal by end June 2014?
I. Increase the priority of violence prevention as a global public health issue			
1. Intensify communication and advocacy	55%		
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2. Enhance integration of violence prevention into major global agendas			
II. Build the foundations for violence prevention			
1. Develop and strengthen national action plans			
2. Increase individual and institutional capacity for violence prevention and the delivery of services for victims and perpetrators			
3. Strengthen data collection and research on violence			
III. Implement violence prevention strategies			
1. Parenting support: Promote access to evidence-informed parenting support strategies and resources for high-risk parents			
2. Life skills training: Promote access to evidence-informed life- and social skills training strategies for high-risk children and adolescents			
3. Norms: change social and cultural norms that are supportive of violence and strengthen non-violent norms			

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4. Alcohol: reduce access to and harmful use of alcohol			
5. Firearms: implement measures to reduce the risks of firearm-related deaths and injuries			
6. Services: Promote access to services and resources aimed at mitigating the consequences of violence and reducing its re-occurrence for victims and perpetrators			