

| Statewide Coordinating Committee

The Statewide Coordinating Committee (SCC) essentially serves as the voice of task forces to Washington State legislators, among other important duties, and is composed of legislators, as well as representatives from the Governor's and Attorney General's offices, state and local agencies, advocacy groups, and others. Convened by the WA State Office of the Attorney General, the SCC is positioned to assess and advocate for policy changes to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of community anti-CSEC/Y activities. Complete details on the SCC's roles and responsibilities can be found by reviewing RCW 7.68.801.

How do task forces interact with the SCC?

By submitting an annual report

Each task force should address the following topics in its annual report to the SCC:¹

- Incidence of CSEC/Y in local community or region, to include data on perpetrators, geographic data and location trends, and other relevant data.
- Coordinated community or regional responses to CSEC/Y and associated results.
 - For example, demand reduction practices or training initiatives.
- Recommendations on policy and/or legislative changes that could improve community or regional systems responses to CSEC/Y.
- Recommendations on strategic local opportunities and/or investments for state or federal funding to address CSEC/Y.

By attending the annual SCC meeting

Chairs or designees from each task force are expected to discuss or provide updates on topics including, but not limited to:

- How legislation has or will potentially impact task force activities, efficiency, and/or effectiveness.
- Updates on task force activities and initiatives.
- Task force needs and barriers to systemically support CSEC/Y.

¹ Commercially Sexually Exploited Children Statewide Coordinating Committee, RCW 7.68.801 (2020).
<https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=7.68.801>

- How task force activities have led to improvements in the lives of children and youth who are, or are at risk of, being exploited.

By reaching out as needed

Task forces can communicate with the SCC as needed by contacting the SCC directly and by contacting CCYJ. Reasons for contacting the SCC include, but are not limited to:

- Make recommendations for policy and/or legislative changes outside of annual meetings and reports.
- Obtain contact information for other task forces.
- Answer questions about data collection.
- Answer questions about implementing the Model Protocol (see Helpful links below).
- Learn about funding options.

How to contact the SCC

To contact the SCC directly, task force representatives can email the staff point of contact within the WA State Attorney General's office, Assistant Attorney General Kyle Wood, at: KyleW@ATG.WA.GOV (be sure to check the SCC website for the most up-to-date contact information). Furthermore, task force representatives can contact Project Respect staff at CCYJ. See the Helpful links section below for links to each.

Helpful links

- **RCW 7.68.801:** <https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=7.68.801>
- **SCC website:** <https://www.atg.wa.gov/commercially-sexually-exploited-children-statewide-coordinating-committee>
- **CCYJ Project Respect staff contacts:** <https://ccyj.org/about-us/staff/>
- **Revised Washington State Model Protocol (2016):** <https://ccyj.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Revised-Protocol-Feb-2016-v2.pdf>