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Crime Victims' Compensation Program

General Overview

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Crime Victim Services Division Mission Statement

To assist in the compassionate and effective delivery of crime victim services by offering information, resources, financial assistance, and education to crime victims and the organizations assisting them.



CVC Program Goals

- ▶ The goal of CVC is to reimburse victims of crime for certain out-of-pocket expenses not reimbursed by other sources.
- ▶ The Office of the Attorney General shall award to victims and claimants compensation for pecuniary loss arising from criminally injurious conduct.



Enabling Legislation

- ▶ Crime Victims' Compensation Act
- ▶ Texas Code of Criminal Procedure
- ▶ Chapter 56B (recodifies ch.56, subch. B) (2021)
- ▶ CVC began January 1, 1980



Legislative Mandates

- ▶ A victim has the **RIGHT** to request and receive information about the Crime Victims' Compensation Program.
- ▶ Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 56A.051(a)(6)(recodifies art. 56.02(a)(6)) (2021)



CVC Mandates

- ▶ TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 56A.401 (recodifies art. 56.07) (2021) Law Enforcement Agencies
 - Initial contact with victim
 - Written notice

- ▶ TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 56A.451 (recodifies art. 56.08) (2021) District and County Attorneys
 - 10-day written notice
 - Assistance with application

- ▶ TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 56B.006 (recodifies art. 56.60) (2021) Public Notice
 - Posters in hospital emergency rooms



CVC Funding

- ▶ It is not a tax-based or general-revenue-funded program.
No tax dollars are used.

- ▶ Sources of funding in FY 2024 were:
 - Court fees
 - Federal VOCA grant
 - Restitution
 - Subrogation
 - Other receipts
 - Gifts



Restitution

- ▶ The CVC Program reimburses crime-related costs to an eligible victim.
- ▶ At some point, an offender is apprehended and convicted.
- ▶ At sentencing, the judge can order the defendant to pay restitution to the CVC Fund for what the victim was paid in eligible compensation.



Subrogation

- ▶ The CVC Program makes compensation to, or on behalf of, a victim.
- ▶ Victim files and wins a civil lawsuit for damages or receives a settlement from perpetrator or perpetrator's insurance.
- ▶ Victim reimburses funds to CVC for lawsuits and settlements related to the crime.
- ▶ Victim and his/her attorney are subject to prosecution for failure to notify CVC.



Payer of Last Resort

- ▶ All collateral sources must pay first:
 - Medicaid
 - Health insurance
 - Medicare
 - Texas Workers' Compensation
 - Auto insurance



CVC Fiscal Year 2024 Summary

- ▶ \$ 77.8 million in payments

- ▶ Received a total of 39,216 applications and sexual assault exam reimbursement claims
 - 24,018 were victim compensation applications
 - 15,198 were sexual assault exam reimbursement claims



Victim

Who is a victim?

- ▶ An individual who suffers physical or mental harm or death as a result of criminally injurious conduct
- ▶ Note that every application has to have one victim, and only one victim
- ▶ Includes peace officers, firefighters or individuals whose employment duty is to protect the public



Claimant

Who is a claimant?

- ▶ An authorized individual acting on behalf of a victim
- ▶ An individual who legally or voluntarily assumes the obligation to pay expenses
- ▶ A dependent of a deceased victim
- ▶ A family or household member who incurs certain expenses as a result of the crime
- ▶ An application can have multiple claimants, but only one victim



Eligibility (1 of 2)

Who is eligible to receive CVC?

- ▶ A Texas or U.S. RESIDENT who becomes a victim of crime in Texas
- ▶ A Texas resident who becomes a victim in a country with no benefits
- ▶ A Texas resident who becomes a victim of a crime defined as an act of terrorism committed outside the United States (as of September 1, 1997)



Eligibility (2 of 2)

- ▶ A Social Security number is not required for a victim to apply and be eligible for the CVC Program.
- ▶ A tax ID or Social Security number is a requirement to receive a payment.



Criminally Injurious Conduct

“Criminally injurious conduct” refers to crimes that:

- ▶ Are attempted or occur
- ▶ Pose a substantial threat of personal injury
- ▶ Would be punishable by fine or imprisonment



CIC Crimes Eligible for Reimbursement (1 of 2)

- ▶ Criminal injurious conduct (CIC) crimes are violent crimes against persons.
- ▶ CIC crimes range from simple assault to homicide and include such crimes as family violence, child sexual assault, kidnapping, arson, robbery and car jacking.



CIC Crimes Eligible for Reimbursement (2 of 2)

- ▶ CIC vehicular-related crimes are:
 - Crimes of intentional injury with an automobile, boat, or plane
 - Failure to stop and render aid (hit and run)
 - Vehicular crimes involving drugs or alcohol
 - Intoxication-related crimes (assault, manslaughter or criminally negligent homicide)



Denial or Reduction Behavior Factors

- ▶ If the person
 - Was engaged in illegal activity (human trafficking exception) (deny or reduce)
 - Shares in the responsibility for the crime (deny or reduce)
 - Fails to cooperate with law enforcement and prosecution efforts (deny)
- ▶ Note that a victim receiving a forensic medical exam shows cooperation with regard to sexual assault or other sex offense
- ▶ Possible factors
- ▶ Entire situation is reviewed



CVC Requirements

- ▶ There is no requirement that a suspect be
 - Identified
 - Apprehended
 - Charged
 - Convicted...for a victim to apply for and be awarded compensation.

- ▶ There is a requirement for the victim to cooperate throughout the criminal justice process



CVC Reporting Requirements

- ▶ Reporting the crime to law enforcement
 - 72 hours prior to September 1, 1997
 - On or after September 1, 1997, a reasonable period of time, but not so late as to interfere with or hamper the investigation and prosecution

- ▶ The program has the discretion.
 - The victim is a child.
 - Extraordinary circumstances hampered the reporting



CVC Filing Requirements

- ▶ Filing requirements to CVC program
 - Prior to September 1, 1997, one year
 - On or after September 1, 1997, three years

- ▶ Exceptions
 - Good cause
 - Child victim through age 18 (pre-1997)
 - Child victim age 18 to 21 (1997-present)
 - Victim physically incapacitated



Application (1 of 2)

- ▶ The CVC application (English and Spanish) is available on our web page. There is a fillable PDF application or on-line application via a web portal account
- ▶ The application is always reviewed after a legislative session to assure it meets statutory requirements.

An application is considered complete and will be processed when it:

- Is filled out in its entirety
- Is signed by a victim or a valid adult claimant
- Provides law enforcement information
- Provides any other information requested by the OAG



Application (2 of 2)

Acknowledgement and Authorization

This authorization is part of your application and must be completed and signed to process this application.
By your signature below, you agree to the following terms:

Authorization for Release of Information. As deemed necessary by the Crime Victims' Compensation (CVC) Program for the processing of my requests for compensation, I hereby authorize any financial institution, social service agency, government agency, medical service provider, mental health care provider, employer, insurer, or any other person with information relating to my financial, health, or employment status to release to the CVC Program information concerning this application for compensation.

Yes No

Notice of Verification Authority. I understand that the CVC Program has the right to possess, review, investigate, and verify the information provided. I understand that if false, misleading, or intentionally incomplete information is provided, my application may be denied and I may be subject to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties under state and federal law.

Yes No

Refund Agreement. I understand and agree that the CVC Program may require a refund of any compensation obtained by fraud, mistake or if newly discovered evidence shows that I am ineligible for the compensation under the CVC Act.

Yes No

Subrogation Agreement. I understand and agree to notify the CVC Program before I file a lawsuit against another party because of this crime. I agree not to settle or resolve any such action without prior written authorization from the CVC Program. If I have already filed, settled, or otherwise resolved a civil suit or other claim because of this crime, I agree to provide information regarding the civil suit or other claim to the CVC Program.

Yes No

Collateral Source Notice. If I recover or anticipate recovery of any money at any time, by judgment, settlement, restitution, a collateral source or any other income received because of the crime, I agree to notify the CVC Program. I acknowledge that I may be responsible for repayment to the CVC Program for any and all amounts that CVC may have paid under this application prior to such recovery.

Yes No

VICTIM	
Printed Name	Date
Signature	Date of Birth

CLAIMANT	
Printed Name	Date
Signature	Date of Birth



Costs Covered by the CVC Program

- ▶ Up to:
 - \$25,000 for crimes prior to September 1, 1997
 - \$50,000 for crimes on or after September 1, 1997

- ▶ For reimbursement of medical costs, counseling, lost wages, funeral costs, and other costs resulting from the crime

- ▶ Does not include property loss or damage



Costs Covered by the CVC Program

- ▶ Medical
(includes psychiatric care/counseling and dental)
- ▶ Loss of earnings
- ▶ Loss of support
- ▶ Funeral and burial
- ▶ Relocation and rental
- ▶ Child or dependent care
- ▶ Crime Scene clean-up
- ▶ Property seized as evidence
- ▶ Travel



Medical Expenses

Includes:

- ▶ Hospital expenses
- ▶ Doctors' fees
- ▶ Prescriptions
- ▶ Emergency room
- ▶ Ambulance
- ▶ X-rays
- ▶ Rehabilitation
- ▶ Nursing and home health care costs
- ▶ Dental



Medical Expenses

- ▶ Medical expenses are paid according to the Division of Workers' Compensation medical fee guidelines and are based on the dates of services rendered and geographic location.
 - If the victim pays the medical bills, they will be reimbursed their actual cost.
- ▶ The victim is not responsible for the difference, unless the victim had benefits reduced or the claim is found to be a "med max."
 - Example: medical bills total cost that exceed the amount available for a claim.
- ▶ Medical expenses are only limited by the funding available in the claim.
- ▶ Reimbursements for medical expenses must be submitted within three years of the date of service, unless good cause is found.



Mental Health

- ▶ Inpatient psychiatric care or counseling
 - Usually victim only but in some cases could be claimant, please review claimant inpatient care with CVC staff
 - \$600 per day (before September 1, 2014)
 - After September 1, 2014, expenses paid at the medical fee guideline
 - Maximum 30-day stay; unless good cause is shown
 - Should be pre-authorized

- ▶ Outpatient psychiatric care or counseling
 - 60 sessions for victim
 - 60 sessions for claimant



Licensed Mental Health Providers

- ▶ Eligible providers must be licensed mental health providers limited to the following professions, which are updated on the CVC web page:
 - Psychiatrist, and other M.D.
 - Clinical Psychologist
 - Clinical Nurse Specialists in Psychiatry (CNS)
 - Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)
 - Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)
 - Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)

- ▶ CVC does not make referrals to providers for victims seeking treatment; they are referred to their local resources.



Travel (slide 1 of 2)

- ▶ Travel expenses due to participation in or attendance at:
 - The investigation prosecution, or judicial processes; also, post-conviction and post-adjudication-involvement
 - The execution of the perpetrator
 - Seeking necessary medical treatment and counseling services
 - The funeral of the victim for family and household members



Travel (slide 2 of 2)

- ▶ Exceeds 20 miles (one way)
 - Necessary and reasonable transportation
 - Commercial transportation
 - Personal vehicle / state mileage reimbursement rate

- ▶ Exceeds 60 miles (one way)
 - Meals and lodging expenses
 - Meals and lodging are per diem state rate
 - Commercial transportation
 - Personal vehicle / state mileage reimbursement rate

- ▶ Different travel rates apply for different years and are based on the state rate at the time.



Loss of Earnings

- ▶ Loss of Earnings related to *medical*:
 - Physical or emotional disability (victim)
 - While seeking medical treatment for crime-related injury (victim)
 - Care for a medically incapacitated adult or minor child (claimant)
 - Attending counseling for crime-related injury (victim or claimant)

- ▶ Loss of Earnings related to the *criminal justice system*:
 - Police investigation appointments (victim or claimant)
 - Protective order court appointment
 - Criminal proceedings
 - Post-conviction
 - Post-adjudication proceedings (executions)

- ▶ Loss of Earnings related to victim's *funeral*



Loss of Earnings

- ▶ If employed, weekly net earnings are multiplied by the disability period.
- ▶ Limited to \$700 per week
- ▶ If unemployed, the CVC Program will consider situations that demonstrate the victim would have been employable. Compensation would be based on anticipated loss of future earnings.



Loss of Support

- ▶ To dependents of a murder victim
 - Up to \$50,000

- ▶ To dependents of surviving victims
 - Usually, family violence
 - Limited to 13 continuous weeks

- ▶ To dependents of a medically disabled victim
 - During disability period

- ▶ Limited to \$700 per week

- ▶ Verification of dependency, support lost and collateral sources



Funeral and Burial

- ▶ Funeral and burial expenses maximum of \$6,500
- ▶ Additional funds available to transport the body
- ▶ What is covered:
 - Funeral services
 - Casket, urn
 - Graveside services
 - Cemetery expenses
 - Marker/headstone
 - Cremation charges
 - Additional costs such as flowers, burial clothing for the deceased, exhumation and reburial



Relocation (slide 1 of 11)

For victims of : Family violence (June 19, 1999)

Dating violence (September 1, 2023)

Sexual Assault in their residence (September 1, 2001)

Human trafficking (September 1, 2013)

Stalking (September 1, 2015)

Attempted Murder of a child in their residence (September 1, 2019)

For victims or claimants with:

A health or safety need to relocate (September 1, 2023)



Relocation (slide 2 of 11)

➤ **For victims of Family Violence, including Dating Violence (September 1, 2023) :**

Article 56B.003(6) “Family violence” has the meaning assigned by Section 71.004 , Family Code.

Sec. 71.004 FAMILY VIOLENCE. “Family violence” means:

- (1) an act by a member of a family or household against another member of the family or household that is intended to result in physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or sexual assault or that is a threat that reasonably places the member in fear of imminent physical hard, bodily injury, assault, or sexual assault, but does not include defensive measures to protect oneself;
- (2) abuse, as that term is defined by Sections 261.001(1)(C),(E),(G),(H),(I),(J),(K), and (M), by a member of a family or household toward a child of the family or household; or
- (3) dating violence, as that term is defined by Section 71.0021.



Relocation (slide 3 of 11)

➤ **For victims of sexual assault in their residence (September 1, 2001)**

“Sexual assault “ means an offense under Section 21.02, 21.11(a)(1), 22.011, or 22.021, Penal Code.



Relocation (slide 4 of 11)

➤ **For victims of trafficking of persons (September 1, 2013)**

TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. ART. 56B.003(13) "Trafficking of persons" means any offense that results in a person engaging in forced labor or services, including sexual conduct, and that may be prosecuted under Section 20A.02 (trafficking of persons), 20A.03 (continuous trafficking of persons), 43.03 (promotion of prostitution), 43.031 (online promotion of prostitution), 43.04 (aggravated promotion of prostitution), 43.041 (aggravated online promotion of prostitution), 43.05 (compelling prostitution), 43.25 (sexual performance of a child), 43.251 (employment harmful to children), or 43.26 (possession or promotion of child pornography), Penal Code.



Relocation (slide 5 of 11)

➤ For victims of Stalking (September 1, 2015)

TEX. PENAL CODE § 42.072

(a) A person commits an offense if the person, on more than one occasion and pursuant to the same scheme or course of conduct that is directed specifically at another person, knowingly engages in conduct that:

(1) constitutes an offense under Section 42.07 , or that the actor knows or reasonably should know the other person will regard as threatening:

(A) bodily injury or death for the other person; or

(B) that an offense will be committed against (i) a member of the other person's family or household; (ii) an individual with whom the other person has a dating relationship; or (iii) the other person's property;



Relocation (slide 6 of 11)

TEX. PENAL CODE § 42.072 cont'd

(2) causes the other person, a member of the other person's family or household, or an individual with whom the other person has a dating relationship:

(A) to be placed in fear of bodily injury or death or in fear that an offense will be committed against the other person, a member of the other person's family or household, or an individual with whom the other person has a dating relationship, or the other person's property; or

(B) to feel harassed, terrified, intimidated, annoyed, alarmed, abused, tormented, embarrassed, or offended; and...



Relocation (slide 7 of 11)

TEX. PENAL CODE § 42.072 cont'd

(3) would cause a reasonable person under circumstances similar to the circumstances of the other person to:

(A) fear bodily injury or death for the person;

(B) fear that an offense will be committed against a member of the person's family or household or an individual with whom the person has a dating relationship;

(C) fear that an offense will be committed against the person's property; or

(D) feel harassed, terrified, intimidated, annoyed, alarmed, abused, tormented, embarrassed, or offended.



Relocation (slide 8 of 11)

➤ **Attempted murder of a child in their residence (September 1, 2019)**

TEX. PENAL CODE § 6.03. DEFINITIONS OF CULPABLE MENTAL STATES. (a) A person acts intentionally, or with intent, with respect to the nature of his conduct or to a result of his conduct when it is his conscious objective or desire to engage in the conduct or cause the result.

TEX. PENAL CODE § 15.01. CRIMINAL ATTEMPT. (a) A person commits an offense if, with specific intent to commit an offense, he does an act amounting to more than mere preparation that tends but fails to affect the commission of the offense intended.

TEX. PENAL CODE § 19.02. MURDER. (b) A person commits an offense if the person:
(1) intentionally or knowingly causes the death of an individual

Note:

a) the suspect/offender must have the conscious desire to cause the death of a person and does a dangerous or deadly act but fails to kill anyone.

b) If a person attempts to kill a specific person but is mistaken as to the identity or circumstances and, in fact, actually attempts to a kill a different person, he has committed attempted murder.



Relocation (slide 9 of 11)

➤ **Victims or claimants with a health or safety need (September 1, 2023)**

Article 56B.106 (c-1) A victim other than a victim described by Subsection (c), a dependent of any victim, a family member of any victim if that family member has previously resided with the victim for a period of not less than two years, or a household member of any victim may receive compensation for the following expenses, if the expenses are necessary to protect the health or safety of the victim, dependent, or family household member.

Article 56B.106 (c-2) Unless the attorney general determines there is an extraordinary health or safety need for compensation to be made to more than two households, the attorney general may, for each application based on criminally injurious conduct giving rise to the need for relocation or housing rental expenses under Subsection (c) or (c-1) to the households or no more than:

- (1) one victim and one claimant; or
- (2) two claimants, if the victim is deceased.



Relocation (slide 10 of 11)

- Art. 56B.003(10)(H) reasonable and necessary costs for relocation and housing rental assistance payments as provided by Article 56B.106(c) and (c-1).
- A victim or claimant may not receive more than \$5,000 in the aggregate for relocation expenses and housing rental. One move may reach the limit of \$ 5,000. However, if two moves occur, the total may not exceed \$ 5,000.
 - (1) relocation expenses, including expenses for rental deposit, utility connections, expenses related to moving belongings, motor vehicle mileage expenses, temporary or emergency lodging, and for an out-state move, expenses for transportation, lodging, and meals.
 - (2) Housing and rental expenses



Relocation (slide 11 of 11)

- One-time award per victim and suspect
- 3-year time limit to move (from the date of crime)
- New \$5,000 aggregate limit applicable for dates of crime on or after September 1, 2023; prior limits apply to dates of crime prior to September 1, 2023.
- The amount available for crimes on or after September 1, 2023 does not change if two relocation requests are approved.
- Health and safety requests require approval.
- The victim's relocation request will be prioritized over claimant requests.
- Emergency or temporary lodging limited to 14 days



Child or Dependent Care

- ▶ Only available as a NEW, ONGOING EXPENSE resulting from the crime
- ▶ Children (14 years and under) or dependent adults
- ▶ Care must be provided by licensed or registered provider
- ▶ \$300 per week per child or dependent
 - Crime dates after May 7, 2005 childcare is limited to 90 days
 - Crime dates on or after July 15, 2016 childcare is limited to 1 year
 - 1 year childcare exception for dependents of deceased victims



Crime Scene Clean- Up

- ▶ Reasonable and necessary costs of cleaning the crime scene
- ▶ \$2,250 limit
- ▶ Commercial cleaning company
- ▶ Will reimburse for cleaning supplies when work is done by volunteers



Property Seized as Evidence

- ▶ Reasonable replacement costs for clothing, bedding, or property of the victim seized as evidence or rendered unusable as a result of the criminal investigation
- ▶ \$1,000 limit
- ▶ This is the only property for which reimbursement can be paid by CVC.



Extraordinary Pecuniary Loss

- ▶ Extraordinary pecuniary loss is a *total and permanent disability*.

- ▶ Above the base award the EPL benefit is
 - Additional \$25,000
(for crimes occurring September 1995-97)
 - Additional \$50,000
(for crimes occurring on or after
September 1, 1997 to August 31, 2001)
 - Additional \$75,000
(for crimes occurring on or after September 1, 2001)



Extraordinary Pecuniary Loss Total and Permanent Disability

- ▶ Durable medical equipment
- ▶ Rehabilitation technology
- ▶ Nursing home care
- ▶ Home and Auto adaption
- ▶ Vocational Rehabilitation
- ▶ Home health care
- ▶ Training in the use of special appliances
- ▶ Loss of earnings
- ▶ Job training



Appeals Process

- ▶ The victim or claimant has the right to appeal a decision (eligibility or awards)
 - Reconsideration
 - Final ruling hearing
 - District court



Claim Closure Due to Fraud

- ▶ **TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 56B.057(b)(7)**
The attorney general shall deny an application for compensation under this subchapter if the claimant or victim knowingly or intentionally submits false or forged information to the attorney general.

- ▶ **TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 56B.054(d)**
The attorney general may investigate an application.

- ▶ **TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 56B.108(a)**
The attorney general, on the attorney general's own motion, or on request of a claimant or victim, may reconsider;
 - (1) a decision to make or deny an awards; or
 - (2) the amount of the award



Claim Closure Due to Fraud

▶ Loss of earnings

Scenario 1

- Victim was awarded loss of earnings.
- CVC received information that victim submitted two false employment verification documents and also forged HR Director's signature to falsely show they were employed.
- Victim was charged and arrested for tampering with a governmental record.

Scenario 2

- Victim submitted false medical documentation in order to continue receiving loss of Earnings.
- Victim, a nurse, had been terminated from his/her job due to felony forgery convictions, but falsely indicated that it was due to a crime-related injury.



Claim Closure Due to Fraud

► Relocation

Scenario 1

- Victim awarded relocation, but claimed she never received the check.
- CVC processed a stop payment and issued a 2nd check.
- Comptroller's records revealed both checks had been cashed.
- Victim was charged with theft.

Scenario 2

- Victim submitted a falsified lease.
- CVC called apartment complex and was advised victim was not approved.
- Victim was charged with tampering with a governmental record.



CVC Claims Management System

- ▶ CVC Secure Web portal is a tool applicable users can access to view basic CVC claim information via the Internet.

- ▶ There are two levels of security access to CMS:
 - Service Providers
 - Law Enforcement/ Victim advocates



CVC Claims Management System

- ▶ All CVMS users are able to view general case information.
- ▶ Service provider accounts allow the user to view only those claims for which they have provided services and have a paid bill based on their tax ID.
- ▶ Law enforcement and advocate accounts allow the user to view general billing information and case notes.
- ▶ If you would like to access the new web portal, your organization's contact person must complete a new organization application.
- ▶ Once the organization has been approved, individual users can complete a new user application.



OAG Website for CVC

- ▶ OAG website for Crime Victims' Compensation
 - www.texasattorneygeneral.gov

- ▶ What is available on the CVC website?
 - General program information
 - Basic qualification requirements
 - Reimbursable expenses
 - How to apply
 - Forms and applications
 - Appealing a denial
 - Claims Management System
 - Information for service providers
 - Publications and materials order form
 - Training information



Sexual Assault Exam Reimbursement

Effective September 1, 2019, the CVC Program will pay health care facilities, SANEs & Sexual Assault Examiners for the reasonable costs of a sexual assault examination of a victim up to \$ 1,000.

- ▶ Full details and application at OAG website
- ▶ A separate claims process from victim CVC claim
- ▶ Contact person: Roxanne Ramon (512) 936-1920



Emergency Medical Care (1 of 2)

Emergency Medical Care (EMC) is the care provided at a hospital at the time a sexual assault exam is requested. This covers the medical care necessary to stabilize, treat, or transport the victim at the time of the exam. The medical care may be provided before an exam begins or at any time during the exam.

To receive compensation for these costs, the victim need not meet all CVC eligibility requirements. With this option, the victim will not be considered for compensation for any other crime-related costs, such as follow-up medical care, mental health care, or lost wages.



Emergency Medical Care (2 of 2)

Apply through the same application for CVC.

Compensation limits:

- Before September 1, 2023, the EMC limit was part of the \$50,000 limit for CVC.
- Starting September 1, 2023, EMC has a separate \$25,000 limit.

Effective September 1, 2023, a victim seeking reimbursement for EMC associated with an exam provided by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner or Sexual Assault Examiner employed by or under contract with a SAFE Program is not required to utilize a collateral source.



Address Confidentiality Program (1 of 2)

- ▶ TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. ch. 58, subch. B.
- ▶ Address Confidentiality Program assists victims of family violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, stalking, and child abduction aiding in effort to keep victim's address confidential.
- ▶ Works in conjunction with victim's existing safety plan



Address Confidentiality Program (2 of 2)

For more information contact:
Office of the Attorney General
Address Confidentiality Program (ACP)
P.O. Box 12199 MC Program
Austin, Texas 78711-2199
crimevictims@oag.texas.gov
(512) 936-1750
(888) 832-2322



For More Information

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National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Board website has
links to each state's CVC program

www.nacvcb.org