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Information for professionals

What is the Safety Network?

The Safety Network Saba (SNS) is a collaboration between seven healthcare organisations, the Public Entity of Saba and the Justice Department, and whenever necessary, educational institutions and other organisations. The Safety Network is a network. It is not a building or shelter. Within the SNS, complex problems that lead to crime, unsafe situations, feelings of unsafety or neighbourhood nuisance are addressed.

The objective is to ensure the safety of victims and prevent recidivism and alienation by providing proper care and guidance. Problematic situations that are brought to the SNS can range from domestic violence, multi-problem families and juvenile delinquency to aftercare after detention. The problems are tackled through a joint approach, early intervention, a personalised approach for both victims and offenders, youth and adults, and the provision of adequate care. The added value of the partnership lies in its multidisciplinary and chain-transcending approach, which reinforces individual approaches to problematic situations. While it is a partnership, the organisations still have their own (legal) responsibilities.



Which organisations collaborate within the network?

The following organisations are part of the Safety Network:

- Caribbean Netherlands Police Force
- Public Entity of Saba
- Caribbean Netherlands Youth and Care
- Mental Health Caribbean
- Caribbean Netherlands Guardianship Council
- The Stichting Reclassering Caribisch Nederland (SRCN)
- Saba Health Care Foundation

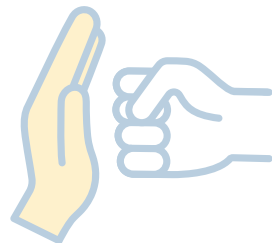
Depending on the case, the Safety Network may also include:

- Public Prosecutions Office
- Expertise Centre Education Care (EC2)
- Sacred Heart School
- Saba Comprehensive School
- Caribbean Netherlands Correctional Institution
- Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment



How does the Safety Network work?

The Safety Network has a process manager who ensures the conditions are in place for collaboration. Every two weeks, a case meeting or steering committee meeting is held. In the case meetings, complex cases are discussed and information is exchanged in order to arrive at a joint plan as to how to deal with the problematic situation. Subsequently, the plan is implemented and regular feedback is provided on progress made. Case meetings are held monthly



Criteria for bringing a case to SNS

In order to be eligible, the following three criteria must be met:

- ✓ Problems in multiple areas of life, leading to unsafe situations or feelings of unsafety, disturbance or crime.
- ✓ More than two (2) organisations across multiple chains are involved.
- ✓ The problems are caused by or affect the entire family or immediate environment, or there are local safety issues that require a multidisciplinary approach that transcends the chain.

How to report a problematic situation?

To bring a case to the SNS, please use the form provided by the contact person of your organisation who takes part in the case meetings. If your organisation is not affiliated with the Safety Network, please contact the process manager marva.simmons@sabagov.nl. Record whether the person is aware that the concerns have been reported and whether or not consent has been given



What happens after a problematic situation has been reported?

The SNS will determine based on the above-mentioned criteria whether the case qualifies for inclusion in the case meeting. If so, a date is set immediately. During the meeting, a case director is appointed who will monitor the approach and serve as the first point of contact for the clients.

Furthermore, information is exchanged and actions decided on. All information is recorded in a secure ICT system. If necessary, the case director will ensure the case is once again included on the agenda. Once the problematic situation has been addressed, the case is placed on a shadow list. After six months on the shadow list, the case is put back on the agenda to see whether or not the case can be closed. Once the case is closed, it is evaluated. The case records are removed from the system after one year



How to stay updated?

All parties participating in the case meetings have access to the system where the data is stored. They can see if progress is being made on the cases they are working on. They also receive new information and will ensure these updates are communicated to you. If you work for an organisation that is not affiliated with the SNS, the process manager can bring you up to date on the case.

Privacy

All affiliated organisations have signed a cooperation and privacy agreement. Only information relevant to the objective of the meeting is shared. Personal information discussed during the meeting is confidential. Each of the participants has an obligation to maintain confidentiality with regard to this information. The reporting organisation discusses the registration with the client and asks for their permission to share information regarding the case with the appointed parties. The privacy policy of the organisation of the reporting party and privacy regulations must be complied with.

