

Kane County Coordinated Entry Pre-Screening Questionnaire

Opening Script

Every assessor in Kane County regardless of organization completing the VI-SPDAT should use the same introductory script. In that script you should highlight the following information:

- the name of the assessor and their affiliation (organization that employs them, or for which they volunteer)
- the purpose of the pre-screening being completed
- that it usually takes less than 5 minutes to complete
- that any question can be skipped or refused
- where the information is going to be stored
- that if the participant does not understand a question or the assessor does not understand the question that clarification can be provided
- the importance of relaying accurate information to the assessor and not feeling that there is a correct or preferred answer that they need to provide, nor information they need to conceal

Questions

1. Do you feel safe? Click or tap here to enter text.
If the person answers "No", ask follow-up questions to determine why the person feels unsafe. If Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking is currently an issue, offer a referral (with warm handoff) to a Domestic Violence provider.
2. Do you have somewhere to stay? Click or tap here to enter text.
If a person answers "No", determine if the person is homeless under HUD guidelines, and if the person is, offer a shelter referral (with warm handoff) if shelter space is available.
3. Who is with you? Click or tap here to enter text.
This question is asked to determine if individual or family shelter is needed.

The person being screened may mention other needs during the interview. If other needs are mentioned, you should make appropriate referrals to meet those needs as community resources are available.