

Victim Support Resources for Title IX Violations

Penn State is committed to providing support for students who have been victims of behaviors that would be considered Title IX violations. Below is a brief description of resources available. For more information or to request a form of assistance which may not be listed, please contact the Title IX Coordinator, Paul Apicella at 814-867-0099 or pua26@psu.edu or Ken Lehrman, at 814-863-0471 or kfl2@psu.edu.

ONLINE RESOURCE

- The University's Sexual Harassment and Assault Reporting and Education (SHARE) website can be found at <http://psu.edu/share>. The SHARE Website provides information about the University's process, resources that are available and options to report incidents.

CONFIDENTIAL COUNSELING AND SUPPORT

- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) 814-863-0395: You can request an appointment with someone from the "purple team," a team of counselors specially trained in these areas.
- Center for Women Students (CWS) 814-863-2027: Trained counselors and advocates are available. Walk in or call for an appointment Monday—Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- Centre County Women's Resource Center (downtown State College): 814-234-5222 or 24 hour hotline at 814-234-5050: counseling, support, advocacy and assistance with protection from abuse orders.

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL SERVICES

- Mount Nittany Medical Center provides emergency care (including evidence collection for victims of sexual assault occurring within the past 96 hours). For an emergency, call 911.
- University Health Services provides non-emergency medical care, (including evaluation or follow-up for sexual assault when evidence collection is not desired). Call **814-863-4463**, prompt 2 for UHS nurse advice. For more information visit: <http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/health/>.

ACADEMIC AND HOUSING RESOURCES

- If you wish to change your on-campus housing because the perpetrator lives nearby, you may contact the Office of Student Conduct (**814-863-0342**) or Residence Life (**814-863-1710**) for help with a change of assignment.
- If you have missed class/assignments or need to do so, Center for Women Students can assist. CWS can also help with dropping a class retroactively without penalty, when the request is an outcome of an experienced incident. Counseling & Psychological Services can also assist with this process if you are in active treatment.
- If the perpetrator is in the same class or is scheduled to be in the future, contact Office of Student Conduct (**814-863-0342**) for assistance.

HOLDING THE PERPETRATOR ACCOUNTABLE

- If the perpetrator is a Penn State student, a case manager at **Office of Student Conduct** (814-863-0342) can discuss options for holding the person accountable. It is possible to initiate an informal or formal disciplinary process. You will not be forced to participate in the conduct process against your will, and you can change your mind about your involvement at any time.
- If there is interest in pursuing criminal charges, the Penn State Police (**814-863-1111**) or police located in the jurisdiction where the incident occurred can provide support whether or not the perpetrator is student. The Police may assist with a protection from abuse order.

PREVENTING CONTACT WITH THE PERPETRATOR

- If the perpetrator is a student, you may request a directive from the Office of Student Conduct for no contact, which would advise the perpetrator he/she can have no direct or indirect contact with you.
- Police and Victim Advocates may also assist with protection from abuse or protection from sexual violence or intimidation orders. For more information, you may contact Police within the jurisdiction of the violation, the Centre County Women's Resource Center or the Center for Women Students.

HIDING PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Victims can have all directory information that is usually available through campus information made confidential through the Registrar's office. For more information, see http://registrar.psu.edu/confidentiality/directory_information.cfm.

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

- The Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs **814-863-4926**: may provide crisis support to students and families during times of personal crisis, tragedy, and emergencies, including connecting students with counseling, emergency and academic resources.

TO REPORT OUTSIDE OF PENN STATE

- Victims of Title IX violations are encouraged to seek services and support from Penn State University resources. If a victim wishes, a claim may also be made outside of the University with the Office of Civil Rights, Philadelphia Office at:

U.S. Department of Education
The Wanamaker Building 100 Penn Square East, Suite 515
Philadelphia, PA 19107-3323
Telephone: (215) 656-8541 Facsimile: (215) 656-8605
[Email: OCR.Philadelphia@ed.gov](mailto:OCR.Philadelphia@ed.gov)

If you have questions regarding this document, please contact

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