Resources for Victims of Sexual Violence

If you have been a victim of sexual violence, it is not your fault. If you are a friend/family member of a victim, the most important things you can do are to listen and to believe them. Offer the victim the resources included in this publication, but allow them to choose their own course of action.

• Go to a safe place as soon as you can and contact someone you trust to be with you and support you.
• If you are concerned about your safety, dial 911.
• Get medical attention as soon as possible even if you do not have visible injuries. If you desire an advocate, someone from the YWCA Sexual Assault and Prevention Counseling Center (717) 392-7273 can meet you at the hospital. University police (717) 872-3433 can transport you to the hospital.
• Millersville University strongly condemns sexual offenses, will not tolerate sexual offenders, and supports those who have been victimized. Victims are encouraged to report to: University Police at 717-872-3433 (non-emergency); Judicial Affairs at 717-871-5841, as sexual violence is a violation of the University Code of Student Conduct; and contact the Office of Social Equity (Title IX Coordinator) at 717-872-3787.
• It is important to preserve evidence and get an exam. Do not eat, drink, smoke, comb your hair, shower, urinate, defecate, or douche as these behaviors can damage evidence. If you do change your clothes, put all clothing you were wearing at the time of the attack in a paper, not plastic, bag. Lancaster General Hospital is the closest facility that provides the Sexual Assault Forensic Examination (717) 544-5511. Health Services (717) 872-3250 on campus does not provide the examination but can provide a check-up that includes testing for sexually transmitted infections and pregnancy.
• Talk with a counselor to discuss your options and get emotional support. Contact the Center for Counseling and Human Development (717) 872-3122.
Resources

Emergency ..............................................................................................................911

CAMPUS RESOURCES

Center for Counseling and Human Development ..............................................717-872-3122
Health Services .................................................................................................717-872-3250
Judicial Affairs .................................................................................................717-871-5841
Judicial/Victim Advocate ...............................................................................717-871-5841
Office of Social Equity (Title IX Coordinator) .............................................717-872-3787
The Center for Health Education and Promotion ........................................717-872-3841
Threat Assessment Team ...............................................................................717-872-3717
University Police ...............................................................................................717-872-3433

To learn about sexual misconduct violations and your rights as a student, visit the Judicial Affairs website at: www.millersville.edu/judicialaffairs.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

24-Hour Hotlines

Sexual Assault
YWCA Sexual Assault Prevention and Counseling Center ........................................717-392-7273

Domestic Violence
Domestic Violence Services of Lancaster County ..............................................717-299-1249

Suicide
CONTACT Lancaster Helpline ........................................................................717-299-4855
Crisis Intervention of Lancaster County ......................................................717-394-2631
Pennsylvania Suicide Hotline ........................................................................800-784-2433

Sexual Assault Examination
Lancaster General Hospital ER ........................................................................717-544-5511

Medical/Healthcare Resources
Planned Parenthood of Lancaster ......................................................................717-299-2891

Law Enforcement [Non-Emergency]
Lancaster County District Attorney's Office .................................................717-291-8100
24/7 Lancaster County Non-Emergency Dispatch .........................................717-664-1180
(All Lancaster County Police Departments)

Legal Assistance
Domestic Violence Legal Clinic ........................................................................717-291-5826
(Assistance with Protection from Abuse Orders)
Lancaster County Victim Witness Services ....................................................717-299-8048
(Support and Advocacy to Victims of Crime)

Financial Information
The Victims Compensation Assistance Program ..............................................800-233-2339