

Sexual Misconduct Reporting Information & Talking Points

Reporting

All University employees who learn of any sexual misconduct must report it to the Title IX Coordinator Elma Benavides 512-863-1435, or the Dean of Students Shelley Story 512-863-1624. The only University employees able to maintain confidentiality of an assault are Counselors in the Counseling Center, Practitioners in the Health Center, and the University Chaplain. Confidential Resources outside of the University include Hope Alliance, SafePlace, and RAINN.

- Counselors: Mr. Jason Bonick, Dr. Kylin Lee, Dr. Marie Worsham, and Dr. Rachel McNally
- Health Providers: Jennifer Spiller, FNP and Stacy Leeber, RN
- University Chaplain: Ms. Megan Danner

Investigation

All reported sexual misconduct incidents must be investigated by the Dean of Students or the Title IX coordinator, even if the victim does not want to pursue sanctions. If the victim does not want to pursue an investigation and/or wants to remain anonymous, the investigator will be discrete, but confidentiality is not guaranteed.

Medical Assistance

A student who has been assaulted can contact SU Health Services for confidential assistance and guidance. If they do not want to utilize campus resources they can call Hope Alliance to find out where medical help and a rape kit can be completed. The student can remain anonymous by entering the system as a 'Jane Doe' and the state will pay for the collection of evidence, but not the medications that are typically prescribed to prevent STI's and pregnancy. By doing so, the evidence will be kept for 2 years, allowing the victim time to determine if she wants to move forward with prosecution.

If the victim does not want a rape kit, medical evaluation is strongly suggested to ensure no internal injuries exist and treatment for STI's and pregnancy are received.

Confidential Resources outside of the University include:

- Hope Alliance: (800) 460-7233 - telephone and face to face support
- RAINN: (800) 656-HOPE - telephone support
- SafePlace: 24 hour hot line (512) 267-SAFE - telephone and face to face support
- VICARS (Victims Initiative for Counseling Advocacy & Restoration of the Southwest): (888) 343-4414 - free legal assistance

Confidential Resources at the University – After Hours:

To contact an on-call Counselor, Health Services Nurse, or the Chaplain after hours please call SUPD: (512) 863-1944 or the campus operator by dialing 0.

If a student wishes to only share information with a confidential resource about the assault, please remind the student that when they call the operator or SUPD to refrain from saying that they have been sexually assaulted. They can do this by saying “I would like to speak with a counselor or the chaplain about my concern. It is confidential.” At that point, SUPD or the campus operator will contact the counselor and the counselor will then contact the student.