Sexual Harassment/Assault Advising, Resources, and Education (SHARE)

RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SELECTION

This document contains important information about the services that are available to assist you today and in the future. Please read this information carefully and indicate which resources or services you wish to pursue by checking the corresponding box. *Signing this form does not obligate you to proceed with any selected course of action or restrict you from activating a non-selected resource.*

**Planning for Safety:**
YOUR SAFETY IS OUR FIRST PRIORITY. In all cases of violence, victims/survivors need to consider the safety of their current living arrangements and other ways in which exposure to the offender may cause increased risk of physical, emotional, or psychological harm. To address these concerns, SHARE works in collaboration with Princeton University and community-based resources to provide accommodations that promote safety and re-establish the well-being of victims/survivors.

**University Health Services’ Infirmary Service**—This unit provides an immediate, short-term refuge from an unsafe living environment. This temporary accommodation can provide victims/survivors with a sanctuary while longer term housing accommodations are explored through ODUS or the Housing Director.

**Womanspace**—This county-based organization provides short-term shelter for victims/survivors from Mercer County.

Additional interim measures can be taken (e.g., housing, academic accommodations & NCO – see RRR section 1.3.9.)

| Housing accommodations: | ☐ ☑ ☐ ☑ |

| Academic assistance: | ☐ ☑ ☐ ☑ |

| Extra-curricular activities and other campus events: | ☐ ☑ ☐ ☑ |

**Preserving and Collecting Evidence:**
For victims/survivors of sexual violence in the context of a sexual assault or dating/domestic violence incidents, forensic evidence can be collected within 5 days of the assault and preserved for 5 years while victims/survivors consider whether or not to take legal action.

**Mercer County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)**—SART provides access to a team of professionals, including the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE), Womanspace advocate, and, if desired, law enforcement. Victims/survivors can select the hospital where they would like to go. The SHARE Director will activate the process accordingly and accompany the victim/survivor to provide further assistance and support, if desired.

- **Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE)**—The SANE talks with the victim/survivor to understand the course of events and proceed with evidence collection based on the details disclosed. The evidence is then stored in a SAFE kit for 5 years. After 5 years, victims/survivors may be contacted to determine if there is interest in exploring legal action.
- **Fees**—There is no cost for the forensic examination and no bill should be generated. Injuries sustained during the assault can also be treated at the hospital; however, fees will be associated with such treatment.
- **Services**—If it is warranted, evidence collection is accompanied by the dispensation of emergency contraception and/or sexually transmitted infection (STI) prophylaxis, inclusive of HIV.

*It is recommended that individuals do not shower, bathe, douche, brush teeth, urinate, change clothes or bedding before evidence collection. Evidence is best preserved in a paper bag.*

**Local Hospitals**—The following hospitals are optional locations for a SART activation:

- [ ] University Medical Center of Princeton at Plainsboro
- [ ] Capital Health Medical Center, Hopewell
- [ ] Capital Health Regional Medical Center, Trenton
- [ ] Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Hamilton

**Medical Resources:**
Forensic evidence is exclusively collected by the SANE nurse through the use of the SAFE kit. All other medical procedures will likely compromise the evidence collection process and should only be explored after the SART option has been ruled out.

**University Health Services (UHS)**—Multiple service providers are available to assist you within UHS, including:

- [ ] Urgent care—This service provides medical treatment for emergent needs and same-day appointment requests.
- [ ] Sexual Health & Wellness—This service provides emergency contraception, STI testing, and access to HIV prophylaxis.
- [ ] Infirmary Services—Open 24 hours during the academic year, this service provides medical treatment for those with emergent needs.

**Psychological and Emotional Health Resources:**
Individuals may benefit from talking through their experiences in a confidential setting, either one-on-one with a specially trained advocate/clinician or in a group context. Listed below are resources both on- and off-campus.

**Womanspace**—Womanspace provides a 24-hour, confidential hotline which is staffed by trained advocates who are well-versed in responding to situations of sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking. Volunteer advocates and professional personnel from Womanspace can assist victims/survivors throughout the SART process and provide insight into various processes involving police and the county court system. Additionally, Womanspace provides specialized, individual counseling and group therapy for a sliding scale fee.
Counseling and Psychological Services (CPS) — CPS provides a full range of time limited confidential mental health services, including clinical assessments, individual and group psychotherapy, psychopharmacological treatment, referrals to treatment providers in the community, urgent-care assessment, and crisis intervention.

Office of Religious Life — Chaplains in ORL can provide confidential guidance and support to meet religious/spiritual needs.

Private therapist — Private therapists are health professionals who provide confidential counseling and are unaffiliated with the University. A list of referrals can be made available upon request.

Visa/Immigration Resource

The Davis International Center provides information on immigration issues. For questions email the Center at puvisa@princeton.edu

Princeton University’s Rights, Rules, Responsibilities and Title IX Enforcement:

Several offices can assist you with filing a complaint and providing consultation about University processes. Please note that the following University offices are not confidential resources, meaning that the administrators working in these offices may be obligated to report and act on information that describes behavior in violation of the law or University policy.

Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students (ODUS) — The ODUS staff can assist if you are interested in pursuing a No Contact Order (NCO) or if you need assistance with temporary or long-term housing for safety purposes.

Office of the Dean of the Graduate School (OGS) — The OGS staff can assist if you are interested in pursuing a No Contact Order (NCO) or if you need assistance with temporary or long-term housing for safety purposes.

Institutional Equity & Diversity in the Provost’s Office — The vice provost for institutional equity and diversity serves as the Title IX coordinator and coordinates the University's compliance with Title IX. The Title IX coordinator will be informed of all complaints or reports of violations of the sex discrimination and sexual misconduct policy, and oversees the University’s centralized response to ensure compliance with Title IX and the 2013 amendments to the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).

Law Enforcement:

Campus and municipal police are the gateway to the legal process and provide a critical role in ensuring safety. Note: A decision to pursue both legal and campus disciplinary action simultaneously may result in the temporary suspension of the fact finding aspect of the University’s investigation while the law enforcement agency is in the process of gathering evidence.

Princeton University Department of Public Safety (DPS) — Please note, DPS is obliged to take action if behavior violates the law and/or refer concerns to the appropriate University administrators who, in turn, may need to act on information provided to them. However, DPS can provide critical services in order to ensure student safety (e.g. escorts) and provide transport to the hospital for the SART activation or to the courthouse for Temporary Restraining Orders. Also, DPS can assist students who wish to report a crime, obtain safety consultations, contact local or municipal police with jurisdiction over the incident, and obtain persona non grata status for someone through the University.

Municipal Police — The location of the incident determines which police force has jurisdiction to initially respond and investigate incidents. Princeton University DPS can assist with contacting the appropriate authority when incidents occur on-campus, regionally, or out of state.

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Access to Resources — SHARE can facilitate access to resources selected above or as needed to meet individual needs.

Support Services — SHARE can provide information and/or accompaniment to service providers and/or resources.

Advocacy Services — SHARE can advocate on behalf of students toward systematic change.

On-Campus Resources

Counseling & Psychological Services: 609-258-3285
Department of Public Safety (Transport/Escort): 609-258-1000
Department of Public Safety (Emergency): 9-1-1/609-258-3333
Institutional Equity & Diversity: 609-258-6110
Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students: 609-258-3052
Office of the Dean of the Graduate School: 609-258-3028
Office of Religious Life: 609-258-3047
SHARE: 609-258-3310
University Health Services: 609-258-3139

On-Campus Immigration Resource

Davis International Center: 609-258-5006

Off-Campus Resources

Princeton Police Department: 609-921-2100
SART Activation (via Womanspace): 609-394-9000
Womanspace (24-hour Hotline): 609-394-9000
Womanspace (Counseling): 609-394-2532

My signature below indicates that I have read and understand all of the information in this document, and that I have enough information to make an informed decision about the services/resources I wish to pursue as indicated by a check mark.

Student SignatureStudent Name (Printed)Date

The asterisk indicates confidential resources. Within the University, health professionals and chaplains are confidential resources and are not obligated to report information that is provided to them; however, these incidents may be counted for statistical purposes as per the Clery Act.

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