

## **SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE, AND STALKING RESOURCE GUIDE FOR STUDENTS (NYU School of Medicine)**

NYU Langone (NYUL) is committed to providing a safe environment for its Students. Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking are emotionally and physically traumatic, and are a violation of one’s rights. There are many on-campus and community support services and resources available to help Students.

Students who have experienced Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence or Stalking are referred to as “Complainants.” Students who are accused of Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence or Stalking are referred to as “Respondents.” This document provides resources and information for both Complainants and Respondents. This resource guide should be read in the context of the Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking Policy (the “Policy”) and capitalized terms in this guide are defined in the Policy.

Reasonable and appropriate protective measures are available for Complainants regardless of whether an investigation under the applicable procedures is pursued.

### **I. Emergency Medical, Law Enforcement and Crisis Response Resources**

#### **A. Medical Assistance**

NYUL encourages Students to seek medical attention following an incident of Sexual Assault or Relationship Violence. Students are also encouraged to obtain help from a professional counselor, who can provide information and advice about available medical options, through the Wellness Exchange (212-443-9999) or the Center for Sexual Misconduct Support Services (TBD). More information about these resources is provided below.

The **NYU Student Health Center (SHC)**, health service providers at portal campuses and Global Network University sites, a local health clinic, or a private physician can provide a general examination, emergency contraception, and STI treatment and testing. Medical assistance at the SHC is available at Women’s Health, the Men’s Health Program, HIV Testing and Counseling, and Primary Care Services.

<b>NYU Student Health Center (SHC)</b>	
NYU Student Health Center – General Number	(212) 443-1000
• Counseling & Wellness Services	(212) 998-4780
• Health Promotion	(212) 443-1234
• HIV Testing and Counseling	(212) 443-1122
• Men’s Health	(212) 443-1122
• Women’s Health	(212) 443-1166

Local medical providers can also provide emergency and follow-up medical services to address physical well-being or health concerns and also conduct forensic sexual assault examinations. A medical exam obtained from a **hospital or sexual assault response center** serves two purposes: first, to diagnose and treat the full extent of any injury or physical effect (sexually transmitted

infection (STI) or possibility of pregnancy) and, second, to properly collect and preserve evidence. The exam may include testing and prophylactic treatment for HIV/AIDS, STIs, and pregnancy, a vaginal/anal examination, collection of fingernail scrapings and/or clippings, examination for injuries, and blood testing. There is a limited window of time (typically 72 to 96 hours) following an incident of sexual assault to preserve physical and other forms of evidence. Taking the step to gather evidence immediately does not commit an individual to any course of action. The decision to seek medical attention and gather any evidence will preserve the full range of options to seek resolution through NYU's complaint processes or criminal action.

<b>Rape Crisis Centers (affiliated with hospitals)</b>	
<b>Bronx</b>	
North Central Bronx Hospital Sexual Assault Treatment Program 3424 Kossuth Avenue Bronx, NY 10467	Phone: (718) 519-5722 or (718) 519-3100
<b>Brooklyn</b>	
Coney Island Hospital Rape Crisis Program 2601 Ocean Parkway Brooklyn, NY 11235	Phone: (718) 616-4209 Hotline: (800) TEL-RAPE or (800) 835-7273
New York Methodist Hospital 506 Sixth Street Brooklyn, NY 11215 (not an official rape crisis center but can collect evidence and provide other emergency medical services)	Phone: (718) 780-3000
<b>Manhattan</b>	
Bellevue Hospital Center Sexual Assault Response Team SAFE Center 462 First Avenue CD Building, Ground Fl. #GA74 New York, NY 10016	Phone: (212) 562-3435 or (212) 562-3755
Beth Israel Medical Center Rape Crisis & Domestic Violence Intervention Program Dept. of Social Work 317 East 17 <sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10003	Phone: (212) 420-4516
Harlem Hospital, R. 6111 MLK Center for Victim Support SAFE Center 506 Lenox Avenue New York, NY 10037	Phone: (212) 939-4609

<p>Mount Sinai Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention (SAVI) Program  One Gustave Levy Place  Box 1670  New York, NY 10029</p>	<p>Phone: (212) 423-2146  Hotline: (212) 423-2140</p>
<p>New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center  Dept. of Social Work  525 East 689<sup>th</sup> Street  Box 143  New York, NY 10021</p>	<p>(VIP) Victim Intervention Program  Phone: (212) 746-9414  SAFE Horizon  Hotline: (212) 577-7777</p>
<p>NYU Langone Medical Center  550 First Avenue  New York, NY 10016  (not an official rape crisis center but can collect evidence and provide other emergency medical services)</p>	<p>Phone: (212) 263-7300</p>
<p>St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital  Crime Victims Treatment Center  411 West 114<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2C  New York, NY 10025</p>	<p>Phone: (212) 523-4728</p>
<p><b>Queens</b></p>	
<p>Elmhurst Hospital  (SAVI) Sexual Assault And Violence Intervention Program  79-01 Broadway  Elmhurst, NY 11373</p>	<p>Phone: (718) 736-1288  Hotline: (718) 334-1418</p>
<p><b>Staten Island</b></p>	
<p>Staten Island University Hospital  475 Seaview Avenue  Staten Island, NY 10305</p> <p>Rape Advocacy Agency, Staten Island  Phone: (718) 720-2591</p>	<p>Safe Horizon Domestic Violence Hotline  Phone: 1-800-621-HOPE (4673)</p> <p>Safe Horizon (borough-wide)  Phone: (212) 227-3000 (available 24 hours)</p>

## **B. Law Enforcement**

As another high priority, NYUL encourages all individuals to report Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, Stalking, or potential criminal conduct by calling the NYU Department of Public Safety, the New York Police Department or the police department or law enforcement agency in the applicable jurisdiction.

NYU Langone Security Operations Center, located at 550 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, is open 24 hours, seven days a week, with officers available to provide assistance in both emergency and non-emergency situation. For assistance, please call 263-5120.

In addition, NYU's Public Safety Command Center, located at 7 Washington Place, is open 24 hours, seven days a week, with officers available to provide assistance in both emergency and non-emergency situations. For assistance, please call 212.998.2222.

The New York City Police Department can be reached by calling 911 or the NYPD Sex Crimes Hotline at (212) 267-7273. The Security Department at NYU Langone Medical Center can provide assistance to those who are considering reporting their experience to the police and/or a prosecutor's office as well as those who have already decided to do so. For assistance, please call 212-263-5120

## **C. Crisis Response Resources (Emotional Support and Counseling)**

New York University provides on campus resources to assist a Complainant or Respondent in obtaining emotional support through counseling and informing Students about relevant resources and services. Emotional care, counseling, and crisis response are available on campus and in the community. The services listed in this section are confidential in accordance with professional standards as is explained in the Policy.

### **On Campus Confidential Resources:**

**Crisis Response Counselors (CRCs):** Through the NYU **Wellness Exchange**, Students can access confidential support in response to incidents of Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence and Stalking. The Wellness Exchange offers CRCs, trained licensed professional counselors who are also specifically trained in sexual assault response and can offer crisis intervention and medical support and coordination. CRCs can also provide information about available administrative, academic, or housing interventions and assist Students in seeking such interventions. A CRC can serve as a Student's personal liaison to access care and services, can discuss available medical and counseling options, and can help students plan for follow up services.

In New York, CRCs are accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the Wellness Exchange Sexual Assault Support Line at (212) 443-9999. When calling the Wellness Exchange hotline, just ask for the CRC. A Student also can call Counseling and Wellness Services (212) 998-4780 to make an appointment, or contact the Wellness Exchange at [wellness.exchange@nyu.edu](mailto:wellness.exchange@nyu.edu). A counselor will respond within 24 hours.

**Center for Sexual Misconduct Support Services:** The NYU Center for Sexual Misconduct Support Services (CSMSS) can provide confidential assistance to Complainants about Sexual

Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking. Support includes providing information about resources and options, accompanying a Complainant to rape treatment centers, medical services and campus meetings or proceedings. The CSMSS also coordinates NYU educational outreach, prevention efforts and training initiatives, and serves as a liaison to all student groups active in the area of sexual misconduct prevention and awareness. The CSMSS is located in the Student Health Center.

**Respondent Student Support Services:** NYU offers support and counseling services to Respondents involved in cases of Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking. Respondent support is offered by counselors at Counseling and Wellness Services (CWS). Counselors can provide a safe, confidential, and compassionate listening space; offer information about procedures; assist in navigating family and community impacts; and connect Respondents to campus and off-campus resources.

### **Overview of Counseling Services:**

#### Walk-in Counseling

Students can choose a Wellness walk-in visit (no appointment necessary) to meet briefly with a counselor in person to speak about an incident of Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, or Stalking. These counselors will work with Students to develop the most appropriate treatment plan. This can include either a referral to NYU Counseling or an external referral to the community. There is no cost for a Wellness walk-in visit.

#### Short-term Counseling

CWS offers short-term counseling, which is a clinical modality of psychotherapy that is time-limited and tailored to each individual's needs. CWS counselors are psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, nurse practitioners, and advanced trainees in those professions. There are male and female counselors, counselors from different racial and national backgrounds, and counselors who specialize in sexual assault and trauma.

#### Long-term Counseling Referrals

Sometimes Students may choose to seek counseling outside of NYU or it may be clinically appropriate to get started in long-term treatment right away. In those cases, CWS and the Wellness Exchange can provide referrals to therapists in the community who provide long-term therapy. CWS has relationships with many quality therapists who have a variety of specialties and work in many different approaches in order to be able to connect Students with a therapist who best suits their needs. CWS also can provide referrals based on insurance, financial need, and location, including areas outside of NYC.

#### Group Counseling

Sometimes students prefer to talk to other students who have had similar experiences and can provide support and perspective. A counseling group can be powerfully healing - for some students, one of the most rewarding experiences during their NYU years. CWS's sexual assault survivors group helps students who have had sexual encounters or experiences that left them feeling scared, ashamed, uncomfortable, confused, or unsafe in any way.

NYU Confidential Resources	
The Wellness Exchange Hotline	(212) 443-9999*
Center for Sexual Misconduct Support Services	(212) 443-9999*
	* indicates 24 hour number

## II. Reporting Options and Other Campus Resources

All individuals are encouraged to seek the support of on and off campus resources, regardless of when or where the incident occurred. Trained professionals can provide guidance in making decisions, information about available resources and procedural options, and assistance to both a Complainant and a Respondent.

### A. Reporting Options

The following NYUL offices/departments are designated as Reporting Options:

NYUL Campus Resources & Reporting Options	
Title IX Coordinator	(212) 404-3871
NYU School of Medicine Student Health Services	(212) 263-5489
NYU School of Medicine Office of the Dean of Student Affairs	(212) 263-6088
NYUL Campus Security Department	212-263-5038*
	*indicates 24 hour number

In addition, Students may contact one of the following New York University offices:

NYU Campus Resources & Reporting Options	
Title IX Coordinator	(212) 998-2352
NYU Department of Public Safety	(212) 998-2222*
NYU Community Standards and Compliance	(212) 998-4403
Student Resource Center Helpline	(212) 998-4411
	*indicates 24 hour number

### B. Student Support Facilitator:

NYU provides support to Complainants and Respondents so that they may understand their rights and responsibilities as it relates to the investigation, fact-finding, report review, any appeal, and resolution. Senior student affairs officers from the Office of Community Standards and professionals in the Office of Equal Opportunity are available to serve as Student Support Facilitators. Student Support Facilitators do not participate in the investigative or resolution phases of the process. The investigative and resolution phases are coordinated by the Office of Equal Opportunity and the Office of Community Standards, respectively. A key role of the Student Support Facilitator is coordination between multiple campus offices involved in the investigation and adjudication processes, as well as connecting Students to support services.

While the Student Support Facilitator honors the privacy considerations of the individual, the Student Support Facilitator is not a confidential resource. The Student Support Facilitator serves to support Students by answering questions, providing resources and appropriate referrals, and offering assistance throughout the process. The Student Support Facilitator at NYU may assist a Complainant or Respondent in identifying alternate sources for advocacy, legal representation, confidentiality, or support; in managing academic, housing, access to dining facilities, and other immediate and on-going separation needs, as necessary. The Student Support Facilitator also can provide information and referral to NYU and community-based resources for additional support needs.

### III. **Orders of Protection:**

An Order of Protection is a document issued by a public court that restricts a person from engaging in specified behaviors. For example, an Order of Protection can forbid a person from having any contact with the Complainant or his/her family or can require the person to stay away from the Complainant's home, place of employment, or school. An Order of Protection also can require an individual not to assault, threaten, harass, or stalk the Complainant.

**NYUL Assistance:** Upon request, a member of the Security Department will accompany a student to the New York Police Department (NYPD), the Office of the District Attorney, Family Court, or Family Justice Centers in Manhattan and Brooklyn. The Security Department personnel can assist a student in requesting an Order of Protection or a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO), but NYUL cannot request an Order of Protection on behalf of a Complainant. While NYUL is not responsible for the enforcement of an Order of Protection, which is issued by a court, it may take appropriate steps to separate the parties or take other action consistent with the Order of Protection. It is important to understand that while an Order of Protection places the other person on notice that he/she is not to engage in certain behaviors under the penalty of law, it is not a guarantee of a person's safety. If the individual against whom the Order of Protection has been issued violates the Order, the Complainant should immediately call 911 and report it to the police. That person may be subject to arrest and/or additional criminal charges for violating the order. When an Order of Protection has been received by NYUL, a copy of the order will be given to the Complainant or Respondent upon his/her request. The Security Department is available to answer questions about an Order of Protection, including but not limited to questions regarding the Respondent's responsibility to stay away from the Complainant and/or any other protected persons. NYUL Security Department is also available to assist in contacting local law enforcement in the event that an Order of Protection has been violated.

**Transferability:** Most Orders of Protection are afforded "Full Faith and Credit" in other states, which means that an order may be enforced wherever the person protected by the order goes. States typically require that the person protected by the order register the order or take other action in the new state to make it effective in that jurisdiction.

In **New York**, an Order of Protection can be requested in one of two venues: Criminal Court and Civil/Family Court.

- a. **Family/Civil Court:** Can issue an Order of Protection if the person seeking protection and the individual against whom the order is directed are:
  - legally married;

- divorced;
- related by blood;
- have a child in common;
- or have been in an intimate relationship\*

(\* An intimate relationship does not necessarily mean a sexual relationship, but is more than just a casual acquaintance. This can include people who are or have been dating or living together, and includes heterosexual and same-sex couples.)

- b. Criminal Court:** In New York, a criminal court can issue an Order of Protection regardless of the relationship between the person seeking protection and the person from whom protection is sought. In order to obtain an Order of Protection in Criminal Court, the person against whom the order is sought must have been arrested and there must be a Criminal Court case pending against him or her. The District Attorney’s Office will request an Order of Protection from the court on the Complainant’s behalf.

**IV. New York City Resources:**

In addition or as alternatives to NYU support services and reporting options, Students may seek help from a number of community agencies, some of which have statutorily protected confidentiality.

<b>Resources with access to confidential counseling</b>	
NYC Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project	(212) 714-1141 *
Safe Horizon: Rape and Sexual Assault Hotline	(212) 227-3000 *
Safe Horizon: NYC Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 621-4673 *
NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline	(800) 942-6906
<b>Non-confidential resources</b>	
NYC Alliance Against Sexual Assault	(212) 229-0345
NYS Crime Victim’s Board	(718) 923-4325
NYS Victim Information and Notification Everyday	(888) VINE-4NY or (888) 846-3469
Bronx DA’s Office	(718) 590-2000
Brooklyn DA’s Office	(718) 250-2000
Manhattan DA’s Office	(212) 335-9000
Queens DA’s Office	(718) 286-6000
	*indicates 24-hour number

**V. Education and Prevention Efforts at NYUL**

- NYU School of Medicine Student Affairs Office publicizes Sexual Assault resources and policies through their Newsletter, Town Halls, presentations in front classes, and orientation.
- **Think About It:** Students also receive an online training through NYU WSQ called “Think

About It” to ensure that all students understand their rights and responsibilities in the important areas of sexual misconduct, relationship violence and stalking.

- **“Safety Alerts”** are distributed as necessary to inform the community about safety- related issues, risk-reducing precautions, and other sources of assistance and additional information tailored to the individual safety alert.