

KNOW YOUR OPTIONS

If you have been affected by sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, sexual exploitation, domestic violence, and/or stalking, you are not alone. There are resources available to you.

Regardless of where an incident of sexual violence occurred, students have the option to:

- **Report or not report** the incident to the police and/or the Office for University Equity & Compliance (Title IX).
- Request a **No Contact Order**, which prohibits university members from direct and indirect communication.
- Discuss options for a **judicial restraining order or harassment prevention order** through an off-campus district court, and/or pursue criminal charges.
- Seek a temporary **safe room** or other **housing accommodations**.
- Request **transportation** to local hospitals or area courts.
- Explore options for **academic support**, schedule changes, and/or other academic remedies.
- Explore the option of **emergency or medical leave**, if appropriate.
- Seek **confidential services** such as medical care and counseling on or off-campus and/or support through OPEN's Sexual Violence Resource Center.

Confidential Support at Northeastern

Most Northeastern faculty and staff are considered "Mandatory University Reporters," meaning that they must notify the Office for University Equity & Compliance (OUEC) if they are made aware of an incident of sexual violence. The following offices are confidential and do not have this reporting obligation:

- Office of Prevention & Education at Northeastern (includes OPEN's Sexual Violence Resource Center)
- Find@Northeastern
- University Health & Counseling Services (Boston)
- Counseling and Psychological Services (Oakland)
- Spiritual Advisors in the Center for Spirituality, Dialogue & Service

OPEN's Sexual Violence Resource Center

OPEN's Sexual Violence Resource Center (SVRC) provides **free, confidential, trauma-informed support services** to Northeastern students who have experienced any form of sexual violence, whether recently or in the past, regardless of location. SVRC staff work with students to understand their rights and resources, and support survivors in making the best choices for them going forward.

SVRC services are available by appointment. To schedule a meeting, fill out the confidential service request form using your Northeastern login:

bit.ly/svrequestform



Sexual Violence
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University Health & Counseling Services (UHCS) provides free, comprehensive, confidential medical and mental health services, including:

- Brief individual therapy
- Support groups for survivors of sexual assault
- Medication assessment and management
- Assessment and treatment of physical injuries
- Pregnancy assessment and prevention
- Evaluation, treatment, and prevention of sexually transmitted infections

Location: 135 Forsyth Hall (70 Forsyth St, First Floor)

Call to Schedule an Appointment: 617.373.2772

Website: northeastern.edu/uhcs/

Local hospitals provide 24/7 services, including medical assessment and treatment, emergency contraception, STI screening and prevention, and/or forensic evidence collection (also known as a SANE exam or "rape kit").

It is important to know that some medical care after sexual violence is time sensitive:

- Emergency contraception - up to 5 days
- HIV prophylaxis - within 3 days
- Toxicology screen - within 4 days
- Forensic evidence collection - within 5 days

The closest SANE hospital to Northeastern's Boston campus is Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (330 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215).

Reporting Options

Northeastern students can file a report by going to one of the following offices:

1 Office for University Equity & Compliance (Title IX):

Online Reporting Form:
northeastern.edu/ouec/file-a-complaint/
 Location: 125 Richards Hall
 Email: ouec@northeastern.edu
 Phone: 617.373.4644

2 Northeastern University Police:

Location: 716 Columbus Avenue
 Emergency Phone: 617.373.3333
 Non-Emergency Phone: 617.373.2121

You can concurrently make a report to the OUEC and to NUPD, and you may have the option to have the matter investigated by both offices/departments. Reports can be made anonymously. Additionally, The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) requires universities that receive federal funding to publish an Annual Security Report (ASR) concerning campus crime statistics, including information about sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking as well as other crimes. Students who wish to report crimes for the purpose of inclusion in the University's ASR can make reports to the NUPD or the OUEC.

Speaking with police does not commit you to further legal action. You can also speak to the OUEC to share information and ask questions without automatically being obligated to participate in a University process.

24/7 Support & More Information

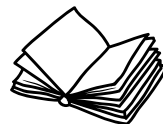
- **Find@Northeastern (24/7 Mental Health Support):**
877.233.9477 (U.S.); 855-229-8797 (Canada); +1.781.457.7777 (International)
- **National Sexual Assault Hotline (RAINN):**
800.656.4673; hotline.rainn.org/online
- **National Domestic Violence Hotline:**
1.800.799.7233; Text START to 88788
- **Boston Area Rape Crisis Center:**
800.841.8371; barcc.org

More information on topics such as stalking, and other safety planning can be found on OPEN's website:
open.studentlife.northeastern.edu

Learn More: Online Resource Guides



To learn more about your options and resources highlighted on this flyer, view the full **"You Are Not Alone"** online guide book: bit.ly/YouAreNotAloneBOS



To learn more about common symptoms of trauma and ways to take care of yourself, see OPEN's online guide, **"We Believe You: Information on Trauma and Coping for Survivors of Sexual Violence"**: bit.ly/WeBelieveYouGuide