Harkness Pavilion (212) 305-2862 622 West 168th Street, 2nd Floor New York, NY 10032

Weill Cornell Medical Center (212) 746-4458 525 East 68th Street New York, NY 10065

-Queens Elmhurst Hospital (718) 334-3054 79-01 Broadway, Room B-1-27 Elmhurst, NY 11373

-Queens Hospital Center (718) 883-3090 82-68 164th Street Jamaica, NY 11432

Richmond University Medical Center (718) 818-2995 355 Bard Avenue, Room 532 Staten Island, NY 10310

#### How to Help:

Here are a few things you can do to safely intervene. Be very careful and only intervene if you think that it is safe.

- If you witness sexual violence call 911 immediately
- If safe to intervene, look for someone who may assist (e.g., police officer, MTA employee, school safety agent, or store staff)
- After the incident, ask the individual if they are OK or need help. You can offer to escort them to the police station or a safe location.

If You Know Someone Who Has Been Assaulted: Listen: Do not ask a lot of questions. Believe: People rarely make up stories about sexual assault. Do NOT Blame: A sexual assault is NEVER the victim's fault. Only perpetrators are responsible for the crime.

## Are You Interested in Prevention Efforts in New York City?

Support awareness campaigns against sexual assault. If you are interested in taking part in prevention efforts in your community, contact the New York City Alliance Against Sexual Assault at (212) 229-0345 or visit their website: www.svfreenyc.org

#### **Resources in New York City Include:**

NYPD Special Victims Division 24-Hour Report Line: (646) 610-7272

NYC 24-Hour Multilingual Domestic Violence Hotline: (800) 621-HOPE (4673) for counseling, safety planning, referrals, advocacy, shelter assistance and victim compensation information).

NYC Anti-Violence Project 24-Hour Bilingual (Spanish) Hotline for LGBTQ and HIV-affected survivors: (212) 714-1141

NYC Violence TDD Hotline (866) 604-5350

NYC Alliance Against Sexual Assault: www.svfreenyc.org (resources for victims of sexual violence). Barrier Free Living: www.bflnyc.org (assistance for people with disabilities).



# SEXUAL VIOLENCE

- Information about Sexual Violence
- Resources for Survivors
- How to Help Your Community

#### What is Sexual Violence?

Sexual violence is a broader category of crime than is commonly thought. Any sexual act attempted or completed against someone's will, or against a person unable to give permission (consent) is considered sexual violence. Someone may not be able to consent due to fear, coercion, age, illness, disability, and/ or influence of alcohol or drugs

Sexual Violence includes, but is not limited to:

- Forced vaginal, anal, or oral penetration
- Unwanted touching
- Flashing or fondling private body parts
- Incest
- Human trafficking

#### **Who Perpetrates Sexual Violence?**

- Sexual violence is most commonly committed by persons known to the victim (intimate partner, friend, acquaintance, relative, coworker, or someone in a position of power)
- Predators often seek people in vulnerable situations (e.g., intoxicated, isolated people)
- Anyone can be a predator

#### Who are victims of Sexual Violence?

 Anyone, regardless of race, class, age, physical appearance, gender identity, or sexual orientation

## If You Think You Have Experienced Sexual Violence:

- Get to a safe place.
  MTA employee, store owner) and call 911.
- For immediate danger, call 911; otherwise, call the NYPD Special Victims Division 24-Hour Hotline (212) 267-RAPE (7273)

- Consider seeking medical treatment immediately (If possible within 96 hours of the assault)
- Go to an emergency room, preferably one with a SAFE (SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAMINER)
   Program, where trained doctors and nurses can provide sensitive care, collect evidence, and provide medications to protect your health.
- It is best not to shower, change clothes, or brush your teeth

### Sexual violence is a crime, please report it to the police

- Everyone can receive assistance from the police and obtain medical treatment
- Get support: Seek help from friends, family, rape crisis or domestic violence programs, or community organizations.

#### **Domestic Violence**

If your partner or spouse is forcing you to have sexual relations, or abusing you emotionally, verbally, or physically:

- Call the NYC Domestic Violence Hotline: 1- 800-621- HOPE (4673)
- Develop a safety plan: Where to go, who to call, and what to take if you need to leave your home in a hurry

#### **SAFE Program Locations**

Bronx Jacobi Medical Center (718) 918-5800 1400 Pelham Parkway, Room 1E4 Bronx, NY 10461

Lincoln Hospital (718) 579-5784 234 E. 149th Street Bronx, NY 10451

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North Central Bronx Hospital (718) 519-5000 3424 Kossuth Avenue Coney Island Hospital (718) 616-4400 2601 Ocean Parkway Brooklyn, NY 11207

Kings County Hospital Center (718) 245-4602 451 Clarkson Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11207

Woodhull Medical Center (718) 963-8443

New York Bellevue Hospital (212) 562-3025 462 First Avenue Room A329 New York, NY 10016

Mount Sinai Hospital (212) 423-2140 One Gustave L. Levy Place, Box #1670 New York, NY 10029

Lenox Health Greenwich Village (646) 665-6910 30 7th Avenue

Mount Sinai Hospital (212) 423-2140 One Gustave L. Levy Place, Box #1670

Mount Sinai St. Luke's (212) 523-3336 1111 Amsterdam AvenueNew York, NY 10025

Mount Sinai West (212) 523-6800 1000 10th Ave New York, NY 10019 Harlem Hospital Center (212) 939-2250 506 Lenox Ave, Room 2105 New York, NY 10037

Metropolitan Hospital Center (212) 423-6466 1901 First Avenue, Room 2A33 New York, NY 10029

Columbia University Medical Center (212) 305-6204 630 West 168th Street New York, NY 10032