# What Is Sexual Assault?

- An intentional sexual contact characterized by use of force, physical threat, or abuse of authority, or when the victim does not or cannot consent
- Includes rape, indecent assault or attempts to commit these acts
- Sexual assault is a crime punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice
- Sexual assault can occur without regard to spousal relationship, age or sex of victim
- Sexual assault is criminal conduct
- It falls well short of the standards America expects of its men and women in uniform
- It violates Air Force Core Values

# Sexual Assault Statistics

- 1 out of every 4 American women will be sexually assaulted in her lifetime
- 80% of victims are under the age of 30
- 1 in 6 men have been sexually abused or assaulted
- Approximately 2/3 of rapes were committed by someone known to the victim
   \*In the Air Force, 90% know their attacker
- Every 2 minutes, another American is sexually assaulted
- 60% of rapes are never reported to police \*In the Air Force, the statistic is unknown

## **Useful Numbers/Resources**

**Kirtland Sexual Assault** 

**Prevention & Response Office** 505-846-6297

DOD Sexual Assault www.sapr.mil

Albuquerque Rape Crisis Center

24-Hour Hotline 505-266-7711

Albuquerque SANE -

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner 505-884-7263 Domestic Violence Services 505-243-2333

DoDSafe Helpline: SafeHelpline.org;

Call: 877-995-5247; Text: 55-247 (inside the U.S)

202-470-5546 (outside the U.S.)

Male Sexual Abuse and Assault Resources and

helpline: <a href="www.lin6.org">www.lin6.org</a> Medical Assistance

Base Clinic Appointments 505-846-3200 TRIWEST 1-888-874-9378 **Mental Health Assistance** 

 Mental Health
 505-846-3305

 After hours
 505-256-2793

 Family Advocacy
 505-846-0139

Military & Family Readiness 505-846-0741

**Base Chapel** 505-846-5691 After hours 505-846-3777

 Base Legal Assistance
 505-846-4217

 Victim Counsel (VC)
 505-846-2323

 Work Cell
 202-731-3192

Law Enforcement

Security Forces 505-846-7926 Command Post (off duty hrs.) 505-846-3777

**Emergency Shelters** 

Domestic Violence Shelter 505-841-6100 Haven House 1-800-526-7157

VA Hospital MST Coordinator

505-265-1711 ex 5694

Rape & Incest National Network Alcohol & Drug Abuse
Prevention & Treatment 505-846-3305
Agora 24-Hour Hotline 505-277-3013

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Sexual Assault
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> SAPR- 24/7 Response Helpline Call (505) 846-7272 or TEXT (505) 977-6683

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## **Reporting for Sexual Assault**

#### **Restricted Report**

- Enables military members, dependents 18 and older, and Air Force DoD Civilians to report allegations of sexual assault to specified personnel, without triggering an investigation. Specified personnel include the SARC, SAPR VA, a healthcare provider, trained Victim Advocate, or chaplain.
- Provides confidential reporting
- Allows access to medical care, counseling, and a victim advocate but does not initiate the investigative process
- Intended to give the victim additional time and increased control over the release and management of the victim's personal information
- Empowers the victim to seek relevant information and support to make an informed decision about participating in the criminal process
- Expanded Eligibility for Restricted Reporting is available if the victim speaks to their chain of command and has not already spoken to law enforcement.
- Eligible for the CATCH Program.

### **Unrestricted Report**

- Any report of a sexual assault made through normal reporting channels which includes the victim's chain of command, law enforcement, and the AFOSI or other criminal investigative service
- The SARC will be notified and assign a victim advocate to the individual
- Details of the allegation will be provided only to those personnel who have a legitimate need to know
- Medical treatment, forensic evidence collection, and counseling services will be coordinated.

#### **Independent Report**

- Information about a sexual assault is disclosed to command and or OSI from an independent or third-party source
- An official investigation may be initiated and is referred to as an independent report; however, victim can refuse to participate.

## **Reporting for Sexual Harassment**

Equal Opportunity Personnel are mandated reporters for any sexual assault or sexual harassment. It is critical for those wishing to keep their allegation of sexual assault or sexual harassment confidential, and receive advocacy services, to contact SAPR directly.

#### **Restricted Report**

- Enables Air Force Active-Duty Military members, to report allegations of sexual harassment directly to SAPR personnel and receive advocacy services, without triggering an investigation. Specified personnel include the SARC, SAPR VA, Volunteer Victim Advocate (VVA) all of whom can be reached through the 24/Hr. SAPR Helpline or one of the contact numbers listed on the front of this brochure.
- Provides confidential reporting to SAPR personnel
- Allows access to medical care, counseling and a victim advocacy but does not trigger an investigation
- Intended to give the victim additional time and increased control over the release and management of the victim's personal information
- Empowers the victim to seek relevant information and support to make an informed decision about participating in an official investigation

#### **Unrestricted Report**

- Enables Air Force Active-Duty Military members, to receive advocacy services through the SAPR office by reporting allegations of sexual harassment directly to SAPR personnel, chain of command, or EO office which will initiate an Unrestricted Report through the EO office.
- A victim of sexual harassment can reach out to anyone on the SAPR Team; SARC, SAPR VA, or VVA and will be offered advocacy services
- The SARC will notify the EO office and victim's commander within 24 hours.

### You Don't Have to Be Alone

If you have been a victim of sexual assault, REMEMBER....

- 1. The assault was NOT your fault. You did not cause it to happen. It is solely the fault of your perpetrator.
- 2. People are here to help. We are committed to supporting you and your family members in the most sensitive and private way possible.
- There is no "right way" in dealing with sexual assault. Get angry and stand up for yourself. Let the SARC/Victim Advocate put you in touch with all the resources and assistance available to you.
- 4. Take care of yourself and ask for what you need. Before washing or cleaning up, seek medical attention.

## **Guidelines for Reporting**

- Immediately report any assault or sexual harassment— to SAPR
- Never hesitate to get help
- Evidence is better preserved if you do not shower, brush your teeth, or use mouthwash
- If you have already changed clothes, bring the soiled clothing in a paper bag-not plastic
- Resist bathroom use, but if you must, save your voided urine for testing in a plastic or glass container; pat dry do not wipe
- Do not eat or drink anything
- Do not take or apply any type of medication to any injuries
- Do not disturb or clean up the crime scene

## You Are A SURVIVOR!