# Office of Civil Rights & Title IX

Sexual Assault Prevention Training

**Student Orientation** 

**University of Kansas** 

**Medical Center** 



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Risk Reduction
Wrapping up



## Content Warning<sup>o</sup>

Some of the content on these slides and presentation may be challenging and evoke strong emotions from some people.

Most content involves conversations around various forms of sexual harassment.

Please feel free to pause the training, take a break, and come back as you can.

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## Why This Course?

- Introduce important information
- Give proactive information
- Introduce idea of Mandatory Reporters
- Federal Requirement







#### **Definitions**

**Sexual Harassment:** is conduct on the basis of sex (including sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression) that constitutes Quid Pro Quo Sexual Harassment, Hostile Environment Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, or Stalking.

**Quid Pro Quo Sexual Harassment:** is an employee of the University conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the University on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual contact.

**Hostile Environment Sexual Harassment:** is unwelcome conduct) (including physical, visual, audible, and electronic conduct) determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person access to the University's education programs and activities.

Hostile Environment Sexual Harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- 1. Unwelcome efforts to develop a romantic or sexual relationship;
- 2. Unwelcome commentary about an individual's body or sexual activities;
- 3. Threatening to engage in the commission of an unwelcome sexual act with another person;
- 4. Engaging in indecent exposure; voyeurism, or other invasion of personal privacy;
- 5. Unwelcome physical touching or closeness that does not rise to the level of Sexual Assault; and
- 6. Unwelcome jokes or teasing of a sexual nature or based upon sex stereotypes, including stereotypes based on sexual or ientation, gender identity, and gender expression.



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- 1. Penetration or attempted penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or any by the sexual organ of the other person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
- 2. Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
- 3. Use of an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity. An "object" or "instrument" is anything used by the offender's generalia.
- 4. Touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
- 5. Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law of the state where the sexual intercourse occurs.
- 6. Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent as defined by the law of the state where the sexual intercourse occurs.

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**Stalking:** is engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to 1) fear for their safety or the safety of others, or 2) suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purpose of this definition, the following terms have the described meaning:

**Course of Conduct** means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties by any action, method, device, or means, follows monitors, observes, surveils, threatens or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person's property

Reasonable Person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.

**Substantial emotional distress** means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not peccesarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.



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**Domestic Violence:** is felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of Kansas, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of Kansas.

Dating Violence: is violence committed by a person -

- 1. Who is or has been in a social relationship of aromantic or intimate nature with the victim; and
- 2. Where the existence of such a relationship will be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: (i) the length of the relationship; (ii) the type of the relationship; and (iii) the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

The institution prohibits crimes of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

**Consent:** is communicated, ongoing, and mutual. This means consent is gained through words or actions that show an active, knowing and voluntary agreement to engage in mutually agreed-upon sexual activity.

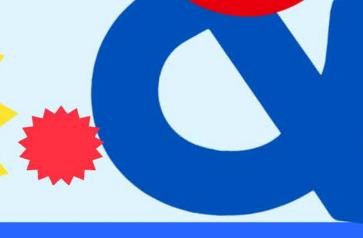
It is the responsibility of the initiator, or the person who wants to engage in the specific sexual activity to make sure that the initiator has consent. Consent cannot be gained by force, by ignoring or acting without regard to the objections of another, or by taking advantage of the incapacitation of another, where the accused knows or reasonably should have known of such incapacitation. For example, a person who is intoxicated may not be capable of giving consent. Consent is also absent when the activity in question exceeds the scope of consent previously given or when the person from whom consent is sought is deemed incapable of giving consent under the law of the State of Kansas.

A person always has the right to revoke consent at any time during a sexual act. Consent to one act does not constitute consent to another act. Consent on a prior occasion does not constitute consent on a subsequent occasion. Silence, lack of resistance, or failure to say 'no' does not imply consent.

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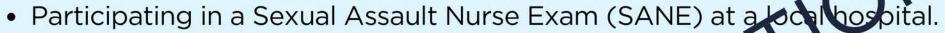
#### If an incident of Sexual Harassment occurs:

#### It's not your fault

It's never the person's fault if they experienced an incident of sexual harassment.

#### **Evidence Preservation**

People have access to options following an instance of sexual harassment. People who want to, or are undecided about filing a police report of pressing criminal charges may want to consider the following options. There is no right or wrong decision.



- · Photographing any physical marks.
- · Reporting to police.

- Telling ton eone.
- Avoiding showering, using the toilet, or washing clothing/bedding if able.

#### **Support Measures**

People have access to a variety of supportive options following an instance of sexual harassment. People may want to consider the following options and more:

- Seeking therapy services
- Utilizing national resources.

- Changing courses, changing residence halls, requesting a contact restriction.
- Considering a medical withdraw or taking a leave of absence.



#### **Options for Reporting an incident of Sexual Harassment**

Although people experiencing sexual harassment do not need to report their experience, there are many options to do so both affiliated to KUMC and outside of the institution. What is most important is that people know their options and resources.

#### Reporting to the Office of Civil Rights and Title IX (ORCTIX)

OCRTIX is the office federally designated to receive reports about instances pertaining to sexual harassment. When we receive reports we follow a process that ensures the rights of all parties are respected. Initially, we'll invite the person experiencing harm to talk more about their options, and to provide resources. Engaging with the office is completely voluntary.



File an incident report on the OCRTIX website https://civilrights.ku.edu/reporting-incident



Send an email to the OCRTIX civin rights@ku.edu

#### **Processes and Formal Investigations**

At times, people experiencing ar instance of sexual harassment (or the Title IX Coordinator) may request a formal investigation into an alleged incident. When formal investigations occur:

- We provide a fair, prompt and impartia process.
- Investigations are conducted by people who have received annual training.
- Both parties are permitted to have an advisor present.
- Both parties will be informed of the outcome of any investigation, hearing, and/or appeal as well as options available to appeal those decisions.

#### TITLE IX - SEXUAL HARASSMENT RESOLUTION PROCESS

This is intended to a simplification and visual representation of the larger and more detailed process. For the formal policy, please visit: https://policy.ku.edu/civil-rights/title-ix-resolution-process

#### Incident

An incident occurs that may be sexual misconduct or related retaliation.

#### Incident Report

The incident is reported to the OCRTIX by a mandated reporter, witness, anonymous, or the complainant.

Acknowledgment of report is sent to reporting party.

#### OCRTIX Outreach

The OCRTIX sends outreach to the complainant and invites them to share more information from the report, discuss next steps, and supportive measures.

Parties engaging in OCRTIX processes are able to have advisors assisting them with the process. Advisors may include legal counsel or union representatives. If parties identify an advisor, they should communicate the name and email of selected person/s to the OCRTIX and note if they are

legal counsel.

Advisors

#### Intake Meeting

The complainant meets with the OCRTIX to share information about the incident. The OCRTIX shares the resolution process, options (tracking, informal resolution, formal resolution/hearing), and supportive measures available through OCRTIX.

#### **Support Measures**

Reasonable and appropriate support measures are always available regardless of a submitted formal complaint, or if OCRTIX investigates.

#### Formal Complaint

When a complainant files a formal complaint, the respondent will be pot the OCRTIX iurisdiction re

At any point after a formal complaint is received by the OCRTIX, an informal resolution (mediation, shuttle diplomacy) may be pursued, if

Note: federal regulations will not allow informal resolution if the complainant is a student, and the respondent is an employee.

#### **Final Report**

The investigator incorporates relevant responses into the report. If additional relevant evidence or witnesses are provided, further investigation may be done.

#### **Preliminary Report**

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#### Formal Investigation

An investigator gathers evidence and interviews parties & witnesses.

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#### of Complaint

The OCRTIX reviews the complaint and allegations to determine appropriate next steps, which may include dismissing the complaint.

If dismissed, complainant may appeal decision to the Provost.

#### Informal Resolution

appropriate and agreed upon

#### Conduct receives the final report

Appropriate

Admin Action

and may meet with the parties as needed. The parties can agree to an informal resolution or proceed with a formal hearing.

HR, Faculty Affairs, or Student

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#### Attorneys

Parties without legal advisors will be provided the names of attorneys who serve, at University expense, as advi assist them in preparing for an participating in the head

e given written notice to respond to nal report, and a pre-hearing conference is scheduled with both parties and advisors to go over procedure.

#### Hearing

The hearing chair and panel conduct a hearing to evaluate the evidence, interviews, and statements from the parties, witnesses, and the investigator. Complainants, respondents, and witnesses will be subject to crossexamination by attorneys.

#### **Hearing Panel Decision**

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The hearing panel determines if a policy violation occurred by using a preponderance of evidence standard. They then communicate this to the appropriate decision maker who determines the level of discipline, if appropriate.

#### Appeal

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The parties may appeal the hearing panel's decision; however, the appeal decision is final.

#### Questions?

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#### **Responding to Sexual Harassment - OCRTIX Process**

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#### **Reporting to Police**

Another options for reporting incidents or crimes is to report to your local law enforcement agency.

KU Medical Center - Kansas City KU Medical Center - Public Safety Office Mail Stop 1004 2100 West 36th Avenue

Phone: 913-588-5030

KU Medical Center - Kansas City Kansas City, Kansas PD 700 Minnesota Ave

Phone: 913-596-3000

Standard Center - Salina Salina Police Department 255 N Tenth St, Salina Phone: 785-826-7210 KU Medical Center - Wichita Wichita Police Department 455 N Main, Wichita Phone: 311-268-4111

#### Things to Consider:

- You do not need to report to police in order to receive a SANE exam.
- You can request an advocate be present with you when speaking with police.
- You can request an informational report only, and not immediately choose to press charges.
- Police may be able to provide protective/restraining orders.

You can call ahead and attempt to arrange for a certain demographic of officer if helpful.

You can choose if you go to the station, or request an officer go to your residence to make a report.

Mandatory reporters are staff and faculty who have a special obligation to share information pertaining to harassment, discrimination, and sexual misconduct with the OCRTIX.

#### Every employee when engaged in their KUMC capacity except:

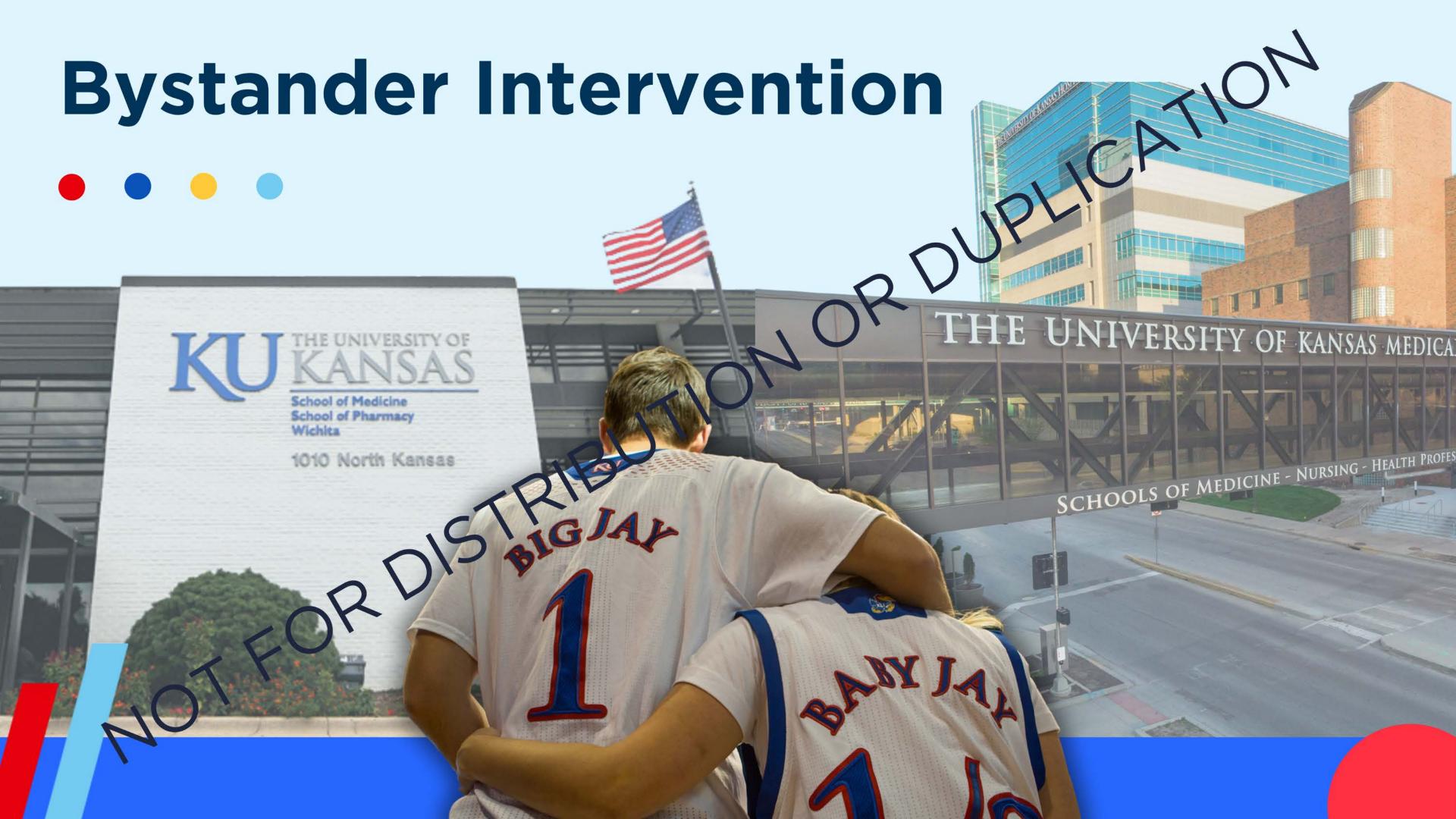
- Professional Counselors
- Health Care Providers
- Pastoral Advisors
- Student Ombuds
- Journalists
- Legal Services/KU's General Counsel's Office
- Some IRB research/climate studies
- Medical providers when treating patients and patients disclose

Confidential Employees OR Scan for mandatory mandatory reporting policy





"Mandatory reporting" means different things in different professions. Be careful to understand which definition applies to your settings.



#### **Bystander Intervention**

The Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN) is the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization. RAINN defines a bystander as "a person who is present when an event takes place but isn't directly involved. Bystanders might be present when sexual assault or abuse occurs—or they could witness the circumstances that lead up to these crimes.

#### Ways to be an Active Bystander - The 5-D Method

**Distract:** Indirectly diffuse the situation by interrupting the harasser and the target (e.g. commotion, small talk, etc.).

**Delegate:** Ask a third party for assistance in intervening, preferably an individual in a position of authority.

Delay: Check in with the person who was discriminated/harassed (e.g. support, offer assistance, etc.).

**Direct:** If everyone is physically safe, speak limity and clearly against the harassment/discrimination taking place (prioritize assisting the target over debating the harasser).

**Document:** If it is safe to do so and someone is already helping the target, write notes or take a wides of the discriminatory situation (permission to share the situation belongs to the target).



#### **Bystander Intervention Resources**



For more tips on being an active bystander from RAINN

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Practicing Active Bystander Intervention from RAINN

https://rainn.org/articles/practicing-active-bystander-intervention



Psychological Association

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**Sheet from the American** 

**Bystander Intervention** 

# ONORDUPLICATION Risk Reduction

#### **Risk Reduction**

In addition to learning how to be an active bystander, it is also important to recognize ways we can reduce our risk of experiencing sexual misconduct. It's critical to highlight that no one should have to take these measures in order to be safe. And, for people wanting to engage in risk reduction measures, it is important to provide them with tools and options. We recognize it is never the person's fault if they experience sexual misconduct of any kind.



#### **Alcohol**

The majority of sexual assaults occur when one or more parties have been consuming alcohol. Alcohol does not cause an assault, however it can be used as a tool to facilitate an assault. If you are consuming alcohol and want to use risk reduction strategies, here are some options:

- Create a plan for how much you want to drink.
- Have a sober friend who knows your plan.
- Always get your own drinks and do not leave them unattended.
- If possible, discuss your sexual intentions with others before you consume alcohol.

#### **Others Tips**

- Know the resources a anable to you if something were to happen.
- Stay alert and aware of your surroundings.
- Create a back up plan.



For more tips on risk reduction from RAINN

https://rainn.org/articles/staying-safe-campus

#### **Risk Reduction**

In addition to learning ways to reduce your risk of experiencing sexual misconduct, it's also important to reduce your risk of committing acts of sexual misconduct.

#### Communication

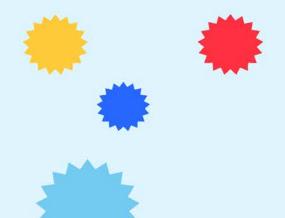
- Communicate your intentions, questions, and more in a way the other person can upderstand, and do so clearly.
- Don't take actions without having a clear understanding of your and other's consent
- Have proactive conversations about what is "on" and "off" limits.
- If you do not have a clear "yes" to engage in an act, you should not engage in it.
- Ask as many questions as you need to engage in fully consensual acts. If you question it, don't do it.

#### **Alcohol**

Alcohol can also limit our ability to communicate effectively. If you are choosing to engage with alcohol, or the other party are engaging in alcohol, you may need to communicate even more to ensure there is consent. It is also possible yourself or others are not able to give consent the to alcohol use. Having consumed alcohol does not excuse or justify sexual misconduct.



#### Resources





Policy Library with full definitions

https://policy.ku.edu/civil-rights/sexual-harassment



#### **KUMC OCRTIX website**

https://www.kumc.edu/office-of-integrity-andcompliance/civil-rights-and-title-ix/title-ix-andsexual-violence.html



OCRTIX collection of materials

https://policy.ku.edu/civil-rights/mandatory-reporting



For more tips on risk reduction from RAINN

https://rainn.org/articles/staying-safe-campus

For more tips on being an active bystander from RAINN

https://rainn.org/articles/your-role-preventing-sexual-assault? \_ga=2.251065478.1052514376.1721786654-671095215.1712686304



Practicing Active Bystander Intervention from RAINN

https://rainn.org/articles/practicing-active-bystander-intervention



Bystander Intervention Tip
Sheet from the American
Psychological Association

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• Natalie Holick in Compliance



- Sarah Briley (sbriley@kumc.edu)- Wichita HR
- Lisa Larson (llarson2@kumc.edu)- Salina Faculty



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