

# SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT

City Colleges of Chicago Does Not Tolerate Sexual Violence of Any Kind

## What to Do if You Experience a Sexual Assault

### 1. Get Somewhere Safe

If you are in immediate danger, call 911. If you are not in immediate danger, seek out any staff or faculty member at your college.

### 2. Seek Medical Attention

Campus security or staff and/or the Chicago Police Department can help direct you to the nearest emergency room. It is important that the medical examination occurs as soon as possible after the incident. You should not bathe or change clothes until after the medical exam.

### 3. Report the Incident

You do not have to report the incident, and there is no obligation to prosecute if you do choose to report it. If you choose to report it, you should inform campus security and/or the Chicago Police Department. Security personnel will at all times protect the privacy, dignity, and general well-being of the victim, as well as the rights of any accused offender.

### 4. Get Support

You are not alone—support is available to you right on campus. Go to the Wellness Center to talk to a counselor or join a support group. The sooner you go, the sooner we can help.

*If you or someone you know has experienced sexual violence on campus or off, there are many resources available to help. Learn more about how to prevent sexual assault, report an incident, and get support at [ccc.edu/SexualViolenceAwareness](http://ccc.edu/SexualViolenceAwareness).*

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## What a Victim of a Sex Offense Can Expect from Campus Safety and Security

- Officers will treat a victim with courtesy, sensitivity, dignity and understanding
- Officers will act thoughtfully without prejudging or blaming a victim
- A victim's request to speak to an officer of the same gender will be accommodated, if available
- Officers will meet privately with the victim in a suitable location
- Officers will inform the victim of services and resources available
- Officers will facilitate contacts with law enforcement officials to initiate an investigation

## Know Your Rights

*In the event of a sexual assault, both parties involved have rights—make sure you know yours.*

- Survivors shall be informed of their options to notify law enforcement.
- Accuser and accused must have the same opportunity to have others present.
- Both parties shall be informed of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding.
- Survivors shall be notified of counseling services.
- Survivors shall be notified of options for changing academic and living situations.

*Source: The Clery Center for Security on Campus*