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Suggested Actions for Victims of Sexual Violence

While all types of Sexual Misconduct are inappropriate and taken seriously by New York Film Academy, actions involving Sexual Violence are particularly concerning. If you are a victim of Sexual Violence, NYFA's top priority is to help you take steps to address your safety, medical needs and emotional well-being. You are encouraged to take the following actions regardless of whether you have made the decision to pursue criminal charges and/or NYFA disciplinary actions.

New York Film Academy is required to provide information about where a student should report Sexual Misconduct along with information about the importance of preserving evidence for possible criminal prosecution, and are obligated to afford students the following rights:

- To be informed of their right to notify law enforcement, and to be assisted by campus authorities in doing so
- To be informed of existing counseling, mental health or student services for victims on and off campus
- To be informed of options for changing academic and living situations if requested by the victim and reasonably available
- Complainant and Respondent are entitled to the same opportunity to have others, such as a support person or witnesses, present during a disciplinary proceeding
- To be informed of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding

1. Ensure Your Physical Safety

At anytime, you may seek help from law enforcement by dialing 911 or contacting your local police department. If you want assistance with filing a complaint, we encourage you to contact the Title IX Coordinator.

2. Seek Medical Assistance and Treatment

It is crucial that you obtain medical attention as soon as possible after a Sexual Assault to determine the possibilities of physical injury and to prevent or treat sexually transmitted diseases. Medical facilities can also screen for the presence of sedative drugs such as Rohypnol or GHB. Medical Assistance and Treatment can also be crucial in helping preserving evidence.

If you choose to have an evidence collection kit ("Rape Kit") completed, it is important to do so within 72 hours. Even if you have not decided to file charges, it is advisable to have the evidence collection kit completed so that you can preserve the options of obtaining a protective order and/or filing criminal charges at a later date.

In order to best preserve evidence for an evidence collection kit, it is recommended to avoid showering, bathing, going to the bathroom, brushing your teeth, or combing your hair before the kit is complete.

Important Contact Information NYFA Resources

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Community Resources

RAPE CRISIS HOSPITALS

Mt. Sinai Beth Israel

10 Nathan D Perlman Pl, NY, NY 10003

1-800-420-4004

Bellevue Metropolitan

1901 First Avenue, NY, NY 10029

212-423-6262

Kings County

451 Clarkson Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11203

718-245-3131

SUNY Downstate

450 Clarkson Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11203

718-270-1000

Queens Hospital Center

82-68 164th St, Jamaica, NY 11432

718-883-3000

Elmhurst Hospital Center

79-01 Broadway, Queens, NY 11373

718-334-4000

CRISIS HOTLINES

SAFE Horizon

212-227-3000

Sexual Assault Hotline

1-800-656-4673

VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE CENTER

100 Centre St, Rm. 231, NY, NY 10013

212-335-9040

You should also wear (or take with you in a paper bag) to the hospital the same clothing that you were wearing during the assault. However, if you have already preformed any of these activities, an evidence collection kit can still be completed.

3. Obtain Emotional Support

New York Film Academy's School Counselor or Therapist can help victims sort through their feelings and begin the recovery process. The professionals in the Counseling Offices are trained to provide crisis intervention on short-term and emergency issues. Referral services for outside providers and law enforcement can be provided. Counseling is free of charge to all Students, strictly confidential, not a part of the Student's record, and will not be reported to other NYFA Administration.

4. Obtain Information/ Report Misconduct

You are encouraged to report incidents of Sexual Misconduct to New York Film Academy's Title IX Coordinator or other designated NYFA employees outlined in our Sexual Misconduct Policies and Procedures (regardless, if you have filed a report directly with law enforcement). Further information about how to report Sexual Misconduct is provided in the body of said policies and procedures. In addition, New York Film Academy personnel can help you access resources and can provide you with support and information.

New York Film Academy provides options and assistance with changing academic, living, and transportation situations, if requested by the Complainant (if reasonably available), regardless of whether the Complainant chooses to formally report the Sexual Misconduct to NYFA or local law enforcement.

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