

98. (DoD) Please provide materials and other documents related to the SAPRO briefs to Wounded Warrior Care and Transition Policy Recovery Care Coordinators and Veteran Affairs Military Sexual Trauma Coordinators regarding sexual assault victims' transition out of Active Duty service. (See FY12 SAPRO Report, p. 35.)

DoD	<p>*RSP Note* All documents provided through the non-publically accessible links have been downloaded and have been attached to the corresponding responses.</p> <p>SAPRO provides an informational brief to newly assigned Recovery Care Coordinators within the Wound Warrior Care and Transition program. Our Senior Policy Advisor has been providing this briefing on a quarterly basis or as needed since 2011. A copy of the SAPRO Recovery Care Coordinator's brief is provided at Q#98 by using the following link: https://pmev2.bah.com/sites/DSAID/Document_Transfer/Forms/AllItems.aspx</p>
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Narrative responses have been consolidated by the Response Systems Panel (RSP). Please forgive formatting errors in text and data. Source documents for narrative responses can be obtained by contacting the RSP.



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Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office (SAPRO) RCC Training

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**PREVENTING SEXUAL ASSAULT
IS EVERYONE'S DUTY.**



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DoD Policy and SAPRO

DoD Policy

- Prevent sexual assault within the Department by establishing a culture of prevention, response, and accountability that enhances the safety and well-being of all DoD members

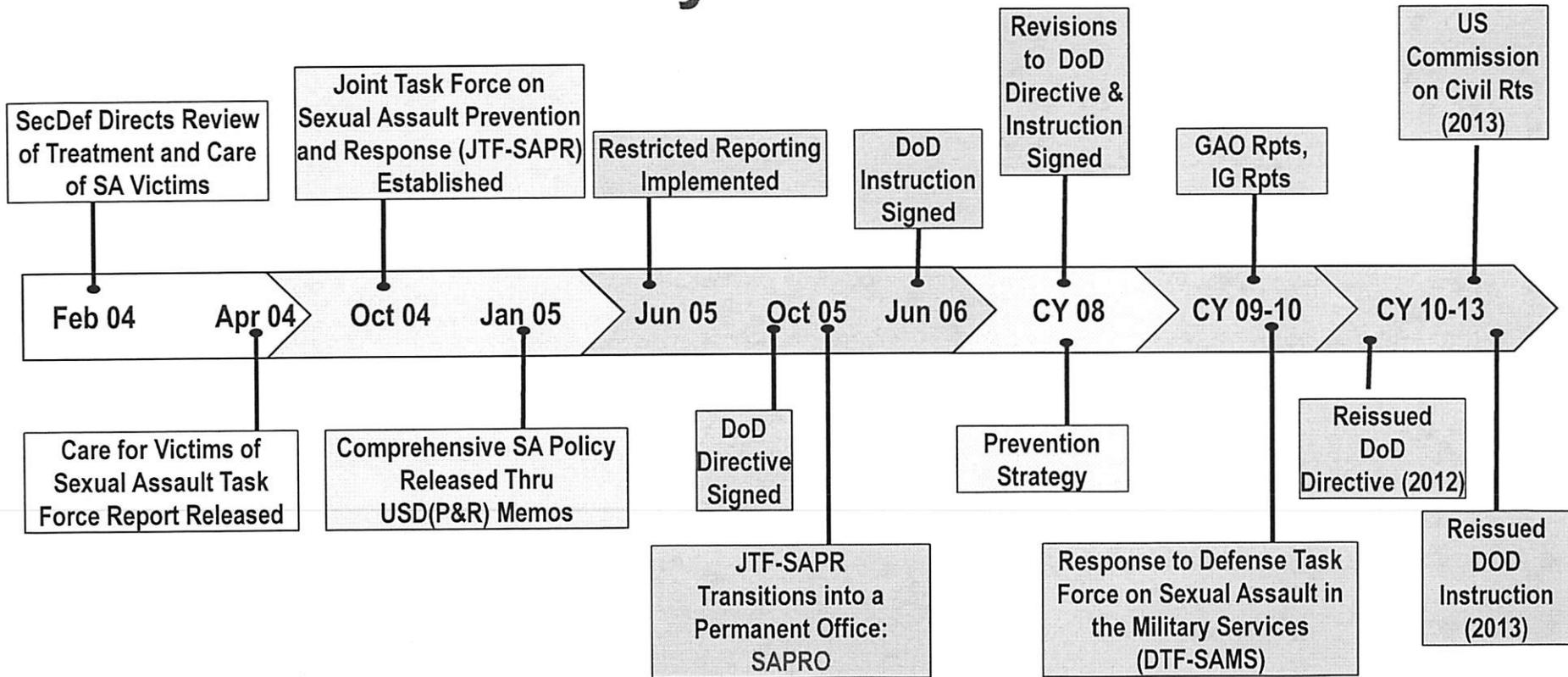
SAPRO – *the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office*

- Serves as the single point of authority, accountability, and oversight for the sexual assault prevention and response program
 - Falls under the sphere of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel & Readiness
 - Sexual assault impacts victims and Unit readiness
 - SAPRO does not handle sexual harassment, *only sexual assault*



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History of SAPRO



PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT POLICY PREVENTION SAPR OVERSIGHT POLICY



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Why are we here?

- Sexual Assault Awareness is crucial to your role in being prepared to assist recovering Service members and their families.
- You may encounter a Service member (or a Service member's dependent) who was a victim
 - You must know how to react and how to guide the Service member in getting assistance.
- As a Recovery Care Coordinator, you are expected to be a guide. You need to know:
 - What sexual assault is & what are the reporting options
 - What health care and advocacy services are available to help a sexual assault victim



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Objectives

- Define “Sexual Assault”
- What to do when a sexual assault occurs
- Know the role of the RCC and the non-medical case managers
- Know how SAPRO supports you



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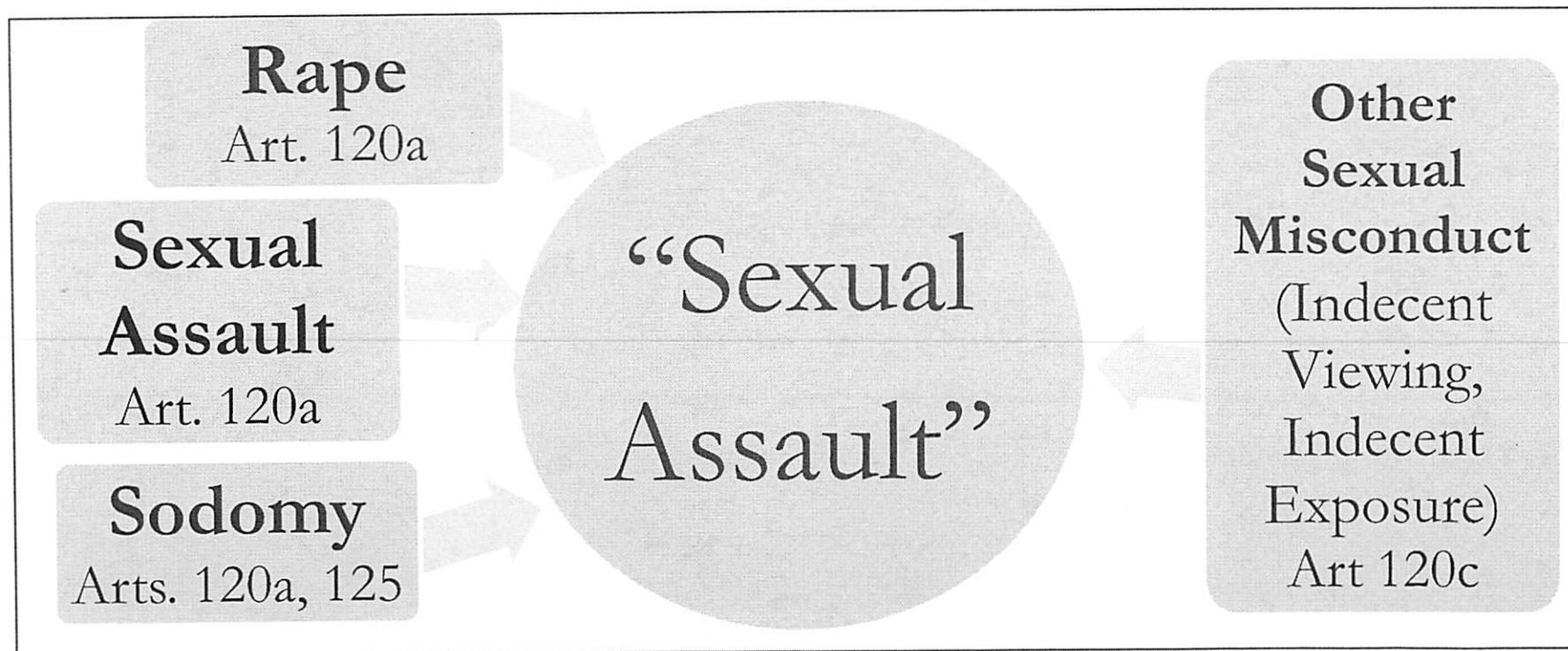
Define Sexual Assault



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What is the Range of “Sexual Assault” Offenses ?

Under Articles 120 & 125 of the UCMJ



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“Sexual Assault” Defined

Intentional sexual contact characterized by use of force, threats, intimidation, or abuse of authority or when the victim does not or cannot consent.

UCMJ punitive articles: *rape, sexual assault, aggravated sexual contact, abusive sexual contact, forcible sodomy* (forced oral or anal sex), or *attempts* to commit these acts.

Includes the following:

- Touching of genitalia through clothing
- Videotaping or photographing of genitalia
- Can occur without regard to spousal relationship or previous or current dating relationship.
- Can occur when the victim is incapacitated and cannot consent



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RAPE MISCONCEPTIONS: True or False

1. Approximately 75% of rapes are committed by men who are strangers to their victims. **FALSE**
2. Most women offer only minimal resistance to their attacker. **TRUE**
3. You can expect a sexual assault victim to present with physical injuries such as vaginal tears. **FALSE**
4. The majority of rape victims report their crime within the first 24 hours of the incident. **FALSE**
5. About 20% of rape reports are false. **FALSE**
6. A woman who was truly raped would be visibly upset during her rape kit. **FALSE**



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Reasons for Not Reporting

In a 2012 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of Active Duty (WGRA)

Reasons for not reporting for women:

- 70% did not want anyone to know
- 66% felt uncomfortable making a report
- 51% did not think their report would be kept confidential
- 50% did not think anything would be done
- 48% thought it was not important enough to report
- 47% thought they would be labeled a troublemaker
- 47% were afraid of retaliation/reprisals from the person(s) who did it or from their friends
- 43% heard about negative experiences
- other victims went through who reported their situation
- 43% thought they would not be believed
- 35% thought reporting would take too much time and effort
- 28% thought their performance evaluation or chance for promotion would suffer
- 23% feared they or others would be punished for infractions/violations, such as underage drinking
- 23% were afraid of being assaulted again by the offender
- 16% another reason
- 15% thought they might lose their security clearance/personnel reliability certification
- 14% did not know how to report



Reasons for Not Reporting (cont.)

In a 2012 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of Active Duty (WGRA)

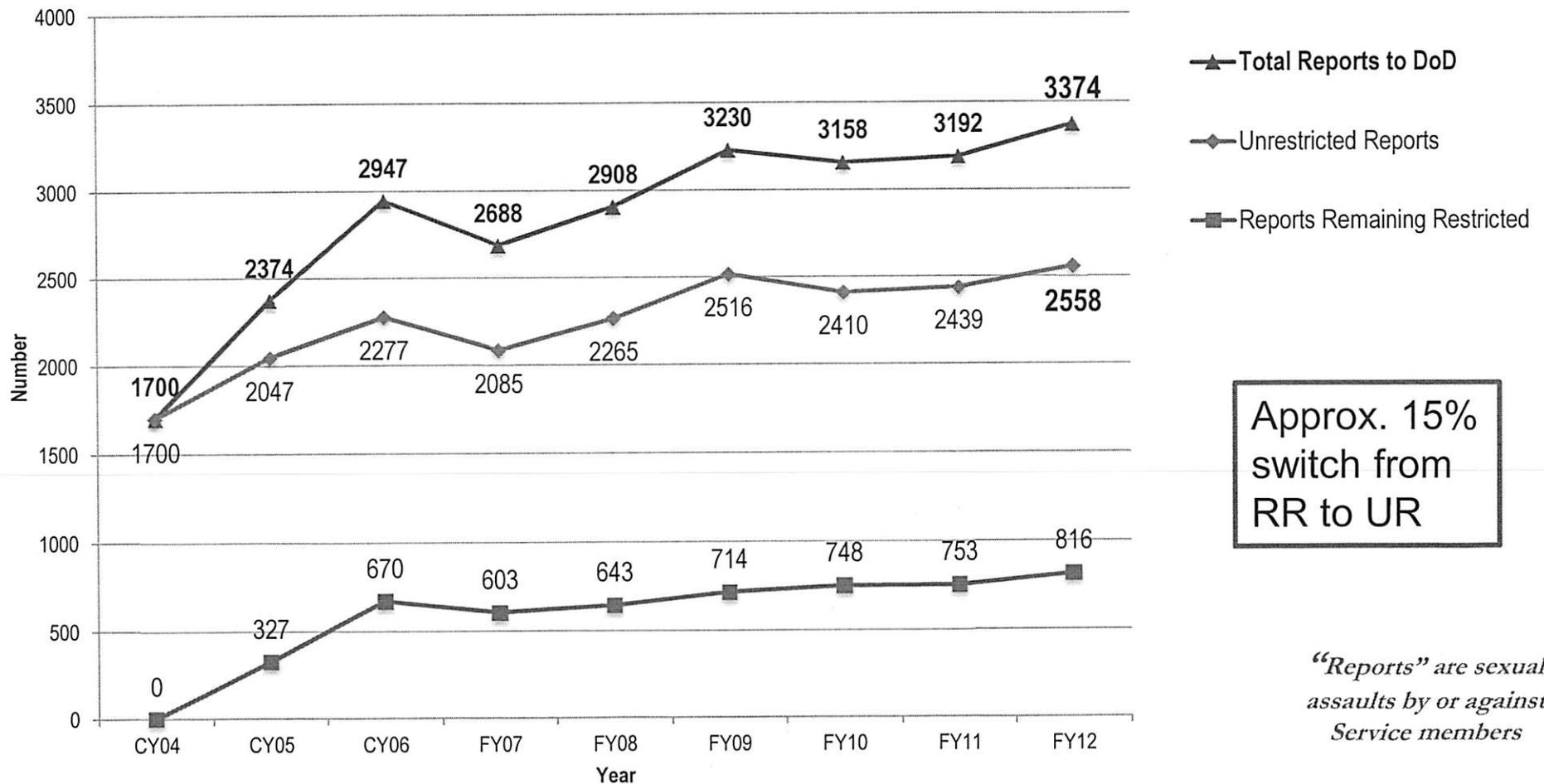
Reasons for not reporting for men:

- 22% feared they or others would be punished for infractions, such as underage drinking
- 17% thought they would not be believed
- 16% thought their performance evaluation or chance for promotion would suffer
- 15% thought they might lose their security clearance/personnel reliability certification
- 14% heard about negative experiences other victims went through who reported their situation
- 5% did not know how to report



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Reports of Sexual Assault FY07-12



Approx. 15%
switch from
RR to UR

*“Reports” are sexual
assaults by or against
Service members*



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The Majority of Reports

- 18 – 24 years old
- Junior Enlisted (E1 – E4)
- Alcohol
- Not a stranger
- Male-on-Female
- Off duty

*DoD FY12 Annual Report on Sexual Assault in the Military

*DMDC 2012 Workplace and Gender Relations Survey



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CDC Study – Comparing Military & Spouses against US population

Key Findings from CDC, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control –
“Prevalence of Intimate Partner Violence, Sexual Violence, and Stalking among Active Duty women and Wives of Active Duty Men – Comparisons with Women in the U.S. General Population, 2010”

(March 2013) [These are just the findings for the Contact Sexual Violence by any Perpetrator]

- Approximately 40% of women in the general population aged 18 to 59 years have experienced lifetime contact sexual violence.
 - Similarly, 36.3% of active duty women have experienced lifetime contact sexual violence.
 - 32.8% of wives of active duty men have experienced lifetime contact sexual violence.
- There were no significant differences in the lifetime, three-year, or one-year prevalence of contact sexual violence between women from the general population and either active duty women or wives of active duty men.



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How does this impact you?

Rape
Misconceptions



Fear of
Reporting



Delayed Report



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What to Do When a Sexual Assault Occurs



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What to do when a sexual assault occurs

1. Know the two reporting options
2. Give priority as Emergency
3. Call a Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)



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1. Know the two Reporting Options

Unrestricted

- Traditional law enforcement response
- Commander is notified

Restricted

- Confidential
- No law enforcement or command notification
- Can only make a Restricted Report to 3 types of personnel:
 1. Any Healthcare Personnel,
 - Not in Chain of Command
 2. SARC,
 3. SAPR VA (Victim Advocate)



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Restricted Report – Confidential, but not anonymous

Scenario #1:

- Rape occurs on a remote Forward Operating Base in Afghanistan. Victim [V] tells friend (not in chain of command).
- Can V still file a Restricted Report [RR]?

Scenario #2:

- Rape occurs at a hotel party on leave.
- Other soldiers at party report thru chain & investigation is started
- Can V still file a RR?



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Restricted Report – Confidential, but not anonymous

Scenario #3:

- V joins Air Force to start a new life.
- 6 months in, V cannot forget the rape
- V does not want anyone in military to know
- Can V file a RR on assault that occurred pre-enlistment/ commissioning?

Scenario #4:

- V is raped during a deployment in Iraq.
- V does not report in Korea.
- V is subsequently hurt and returns to U.S. for medical care.
- V talks to RCC about rape.



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2. Give priority as Emergency

- A sexual assault victim may need immediate medical intervention to prevent loss of life or suffering resulting from:
 - Physical injuries (internal or external),
 - Sexually transmitted infections,
 - Pregnancy, and
 - Psychological distress (suicide risks)



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But, it may not look like an Emergency . . .

- Regardless of whether physical injuries are evident
- Shall be treated uniformly
 - Regardless of their behavior because when severely traumatized, sexual assault patients may appear:
 - Calm, indifferent, submissive, jocular, angry, emotionally distraught, or even uncooperative or hostile towards those who are trying to help
 - Medical triage does not include judging the credibility of victim's story



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Requirement by SAPR Policy for Emergency Care

- Emergency care shall consist of:
 1. Emergency medical care and
 2. The offer of a Sexual Assault Forensic Examination (SAFE)
 - Consistent with the Department of Justice protocol (2004) and DD Form 2911, "DoD Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examination Report" and accompanying instructions.
 - The victim can decline a SAFE –
 - BUT the victim should be encouraged (but not mandated) to receive medical care, psychological care, and victim advocacy.



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What is a SAFE Kit? Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Kit

SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KIT VICTIM/SUSPECT

FOR HOSPITAL PERSONNEL

(Please Print)

VICTIM/SUSPECT'S NAME: _____

PHYSICIAN'S NAME: _____

HOSPITAL/CLINIC: _____

KIT SEALED BY: _____

AFFIX
BIOHAZARD
LABEL HERE
AFTER SPECIMEN
COLLECTION

PLACE SEALED KIT IN SECURED STORAGE AREA
AFTER EVIDENCE COLLECTION

PLACED BY: _____

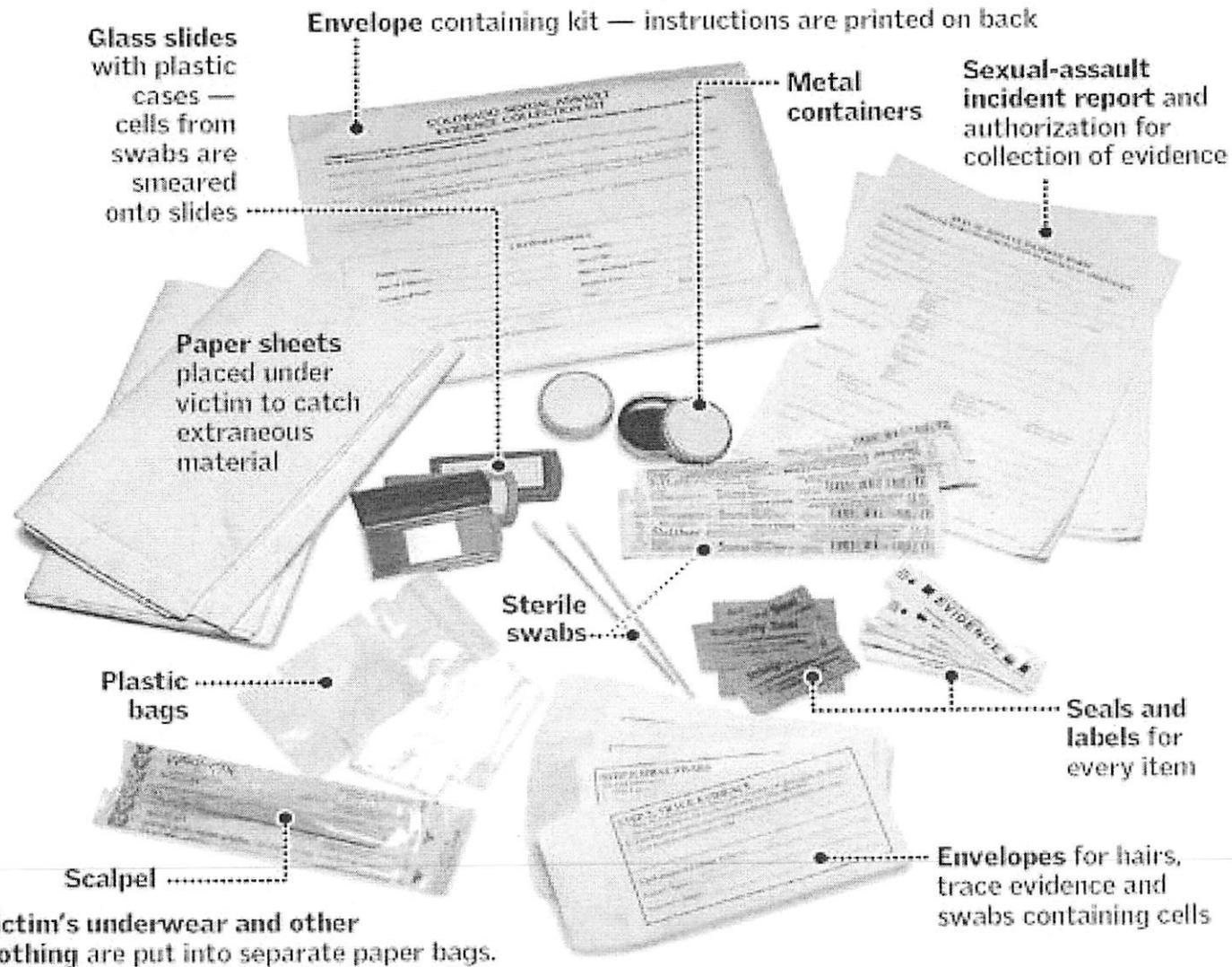
DATE: _____ TIME: _____ am
pm



FOR FORENSIC LABORATORY PERSONNEL ONLY

LABORATORY NUMBER: _____

POLICE CASE NUMBER: _____



What investigators look for

- Foreign material swabbed from patients' bodies, including blood, semen and saliva — often collected with swabs.
- Foreign material dislodged from mouth with dental floss.
- Loose hairs, possibly belonging to the assailant, captured by swabs, tweezers or a towel placed under the patient during the exam.
- Blood and urine samples from victims that may reveal traces of drugs or other substances slipped to the victim.



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3. Call a SARC

- SARC:
 - *Sexual Assault Response Coordinator*
- What does a SARC do?



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Single POC for Sexual Assault - *the SARC facilitates*





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Know the Role of the RCC and Non-Medical Case Managers



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What if a victim starts to report to the RCC...

- Preserve the victim's right to make a Restricted Report
- Have a plan
 - Have your speech ready
 - Don't just say "STOP"

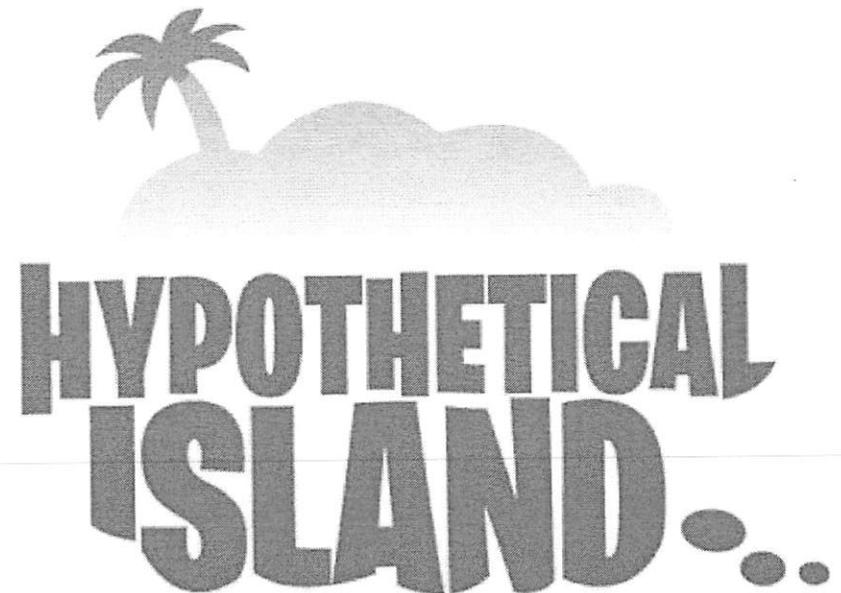




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What to do

- You do not have a privilege
 - Subjected to subpoena & discovery requests
 - You may or may not have your own internal reporting requirements
 - Speak hypothetically, if at all.
- Refer to:
 1. **SARC** (*has victim advocate privilege, MRE 514*)
 2. **SAPR Victim Advocate (VA)** (*has victim advocate privilege, MRE 514*)
 3. **Medical professional** (HIPAA protects medical info)





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Know How SAPRO Supports You



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE Sexual Assault Prevention and Response

The Department of Defense's sexual assault policy is that this crime has no place in the United States Armed Forces. Our men and women serving throughout the world deserve nothing less. Their leaders, both military and civilian, are committed to maintaining a workplace environment that rejects sexual assault and reinforces a culture of prevention, response and accountability. This website is a resource for all those who deal with or have been affected by this sensitive issue. Together we can achieve a culture free of sexual assaults.



SAPRO Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office (SAPRO) is responsible for oversight of the Department's sexual assault policy. SAPRO works hand-in-hand with the Services and the civilian community to develop and implement innovative prevention and response programs.

ABOUT SAPRO



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ANNUAL REPORTS



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DoD SAFE HELPLINE
MATERIALS



SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH
CAMPAIGN



DEFENSE SEXUAL ASSAULT



“ I have been sexually assaulted, or someone I know has. What are my options? ”

find out at MyDuty.mil

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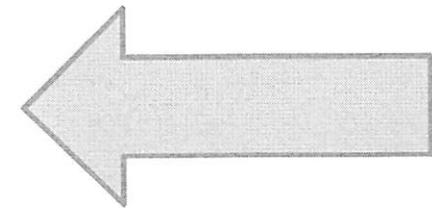


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About DoD Safe Helpline

- Department of Defense (DoD) Safe Helpline is a groundbreaking crisis support service for members of the DoD community affected by sexual assault.
 - Safe Helpline provides live, one-on-one support, and information to the worldwide DoD community.
 - The service is confidential, anonymous, secure, and available worldwide, 24/7.
 - Specially-trained Safe Helpline staff provides confidential help three ways: instant-messaging, conversation over the telephone, and texting.
- ➔ Just to talk, get information, and/or get referrals.



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Information on Resources

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- SARC & VA
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- Legal
- Chaplain



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Transitioning Service Member (TSM) Overview

Are you in the process of separating or retiring from Military Service? Being a survivor of sexual assault and going through the transition process can be difficult. Below is some information that may be helpful.

Am I a TSM?

You are a Transitioning Service Member (TSM) if you are a Service member separating from the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, National Guard, Reserve Component or the Coast Guard for the following reasons:

- Voluntarily or involuntarily retiring
- Commitment is ending
- Medically discharged
- Voluntarily or involuntarily discharged
- Released from Active Duty

Common TSM related questions:

How long am I considered a TSM?

What are some common thoughts and feelings during transition?

How might surviving a sexual assault affect your transition?

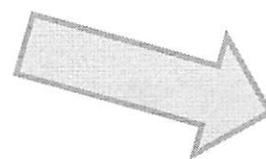
What are some ways to stay safe during your transition?



Transition Assistance Finder

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Transitioning Service Member Resource Search (TSM)

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Find TSM Resources

DOD / VA / Civilian:

- DoD
- VA
- Civilian

TSM:

- Transitioning from Service
- Not Transitioning from Service

Active Duty:

- Yes
- No

Resources:

- Accessing Benefits
- Disability Assistance
- Education and Training Assistance
- Employment Assistance
- Basic Needs
- Housing Assistance
- Medical Health Care
- Mental Health Care
- Veterans Support
- Transition Assistance Programs

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