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DOMESTIC AND RELATIONSHIP ADVICE ON CAMPUS

What is Dating Violence?

Dating violence is controlling, abusive, and aggressive behavior in a romantic relationship. It occurs in both heterosexual and homosexual relationships and can include verbal, emotional, physical, or sexual abuse, or a combination of these.

Awareness

- 72% of crimes against college students occur at night.
- 80% of campus stalking victims know their stalker.
- 75% of men and 55% of women involved in acquaintance rape had been drinking or taking drugs prior to the incident.
- 51% of college males admit to perpetrating one or more sexual assault incidents in college.
- 12% of completed rapes, 35% of attempted rapes, and 22% of threatened rapes are on dates.
- An estimated 5% of college women experience a completed or attempted rape in a given year.

Dating Violence and the Law

- All 50 states and the District of Columbia have laws against dating violence behaviors such as sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking. However the specific term “dating violence” is almost never used in these laws.
- In 39 states and the District of Columbia, victims of dating violence can apply for protective orders against the perpetrator. Age requirements and the language of the laws vary by state.

Who Can Help???

Dating Violence Resource Center 202-467-8700

The National Center for Victims of Crime 1-800-FYI-CALL

National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline at 1-866-331-9474

www.loveisrespect.org (National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline)

<http://www.thesafespace.org/> (encouraging others to take action to end domestic and dating violence)

<http://www.breakthecycle.org/> (national organization whose mission is to engage, educate, and empower youth to end domestic violence)