
DISCLOSURE OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE

How to Respond

- Provide Privacy
- Explain Options
- Support Choices
- Ensure Safety



DO

- Believe
- Respect
- Support
- Assist

DON'T

- Doubt
- Judge
- Blame
- Punish

SAY: I believe you. I'm sorry this happened to you.

ASK: How can I help you? What do you need right now?

TELL: We have a crisis center in town that can help you - on the phone or in person.

HELP: Would you like to call them? I can help you with that.

PROTECT: What would make you feel safe right now?
Let's make a safety plan.

Rape Crisis Hotline: 1-800-656-4673

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