

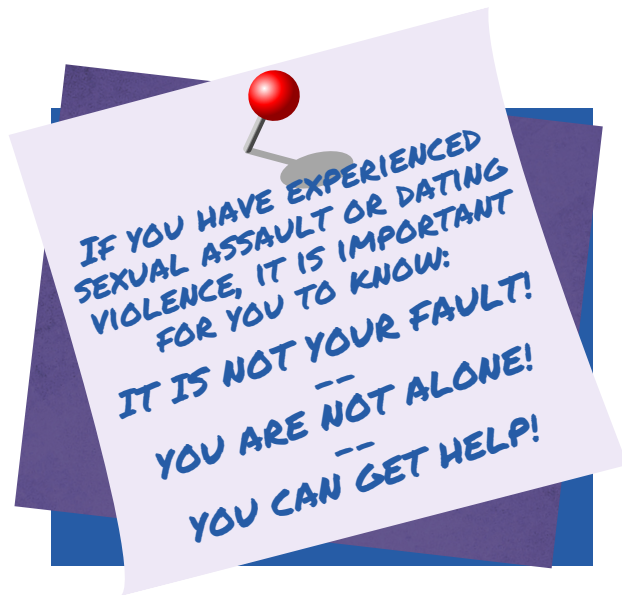
Defining the problem:

Sexual assault and dating violence are serious problems on college campuses that often go unreported.

The definition of sexual assault is any sexual activity, from touching to rape, that one does not consent to, or is incapable of consenting to.

- 1 in 4 women and 1 in 15 men experience sexual assault while in college.*

Dating violence is defined as psychological, verbal, physical, or sexual abuse from someone you are dating.



Emergency Center Locations

Spartanburg Medical Center
101 East Wood Street
Spartanburg, SC 29303

Cherokee Medical Center
1530 North Limestone Street
Gaffney, SC 29340

Pelham Medical Center
250 Westmoreland Road
Greer, SC 29651

**Spartanburg Medical Center –
Mary Black Campus**
1700 Skylyn Drive
Spartanburg, SC 29307

Union Medical Center
322 West South Street
Union, SC 29379

**Spartanburg Regional
Campus Forensic Nurse Liaison**
864-909-0341

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* David Cantor, Bonnie Fisher, Susan Chibnall, Reanna Townsend, et. al. Association of American Universities (AAU), Report on the AAU Campus Climate Survey on Sexual Assault and Sexual Misconduct (January 17, 2020)

If you
experience...

Sexual Assault or Dating Violence



Spartanburg Regional
Healthcare System

If you are the victim of sexual assault or dating violence

Get to a safe place and call 911, or go to your nearest emergency room.

- DO NOT shower, bathe or change your clothing.
- DO NOT eat, drink, smoke, brush teeth, or use the bathroom if possible.
- DO NOT clean your home or the area where the assault occurred.
- DO NOT avoid seeking medical care because of cost. All patients are seen regardless of their ability to pay. Sexual assault exams are paid for by the Department of Crime Victim Compensation.

Please seek medical attention as soon as possible.

However, even if several days have passed since you were assaulted, it is still important to seek medical care.

- You will be evaluated for injuries and offered STI medication, if applicable.
- Evidence can be collected for up to 96 hours (4 days) after the assault, even if you have bathed.

What to expect at the hospital

Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System offers around-the-clock compassionate care to victims of sexual assault and/or dating violence.

- You will be treated with the highest levels of care and respect.
- You will be seen promptly by a forensic nurse, in a private room, for your examination.
- You will be provided with information regarding options for your care so that you can make informed decisions about the services you want to receive.
- You will receive information about local resources and counseling services.
- You will have access to shower facilities, toiletries and a change of clothing.

For victims over the age of 18, law enforcement involvement is NOT mandatory. Your nurse will discuss reporting options with you.

Care will be provided by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner

A Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) is a registered nurse who specializes in the medical and forensic care of crime victims, specifically sexual assault.

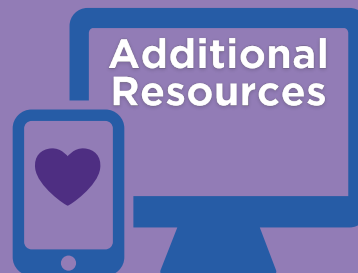
In addition to providing immediate crisis intervention and emotional support, SANEs are trained to:

- Identify and document physical trauma
- Assess need for STI and pregnancy prevention
- Collect evidence, if applicable
- Maintain evidence chain of custody

Additional duties include:

- Collaborating with community agencies and ensuring appropriate follow-up
- Providing testimony in a court of law

Forensic Nurse Examiners (FNEs) are SANEs with additional training in interpersonal violence.



- SAFE Homes Rape Crisis Coalition - shrcc.org
864-583-9803
- National Sexual Assault Hotline
800-656-HOPE (4673)
- National Domestic Violence Hotline
800-799-SAFE (7233)