

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS

Any person who is the victim or survivor of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or forms of sexual misconduct has the right to decide whether to seek assistance from law enforcement, campus safety, or other campus authorities. Survivors may choose to:

- (a) notify campus safety, local police or both:
- (b) be assisted by campus authorities in notifying law enforcement; and
- (c) decline to notify such authorities.

Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking should immediately notify campus authorities in the event they receive an order of protection, a no contact order, a restraining order or a similar order issued by a criminal, civil, or tribal court so campus authorities can take steps to comply with the order.

# **Supportive Measures**

Whether or not a person who is a victim or survivor of sexual misconduct decides to file a formal complaint, campus authorities may be able to offer supportive measures to the victim or survivor or any person accused of sexual misconduct. These measures are intended to provide support and ensure no person is denied access to the institution's education program or activity.

#### Q&As

- Q. What are supportive measures?
- A. Supportive measures are non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate and reasonably available to any person who is the victim of or accused of sexual misconduct.
- Q. Do I have to pay for supportive measures?
- A. No. These services are provided without charge to the complainant and respondent.
- Q. Can I obtain supportive measures even if a formal complaint is not filed?
- A. Yes. Supportive measures are available before or after a formal complaint is filed, even if no formal complaint is ever filed at all. Supportive measures are also available regardless of whether the complainant chooses to report the incident to campus safety or local law enforcement.
- Q. What's the purpose of providing supportive measures?
- A. Supportive measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the institution's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party. These include measures designed to protect the safety of the parties and the educational environment. Supportive measures may also be used to deter or limit the risk of violations of the Sexual Misconduct Response Policy.



Q. What kinds of supportive measures are available?

A. Supportive measures may include counseling, extensions of deadlines or other course-related adjustments, modifications of work or class schedules, campus escort services, transportation options, mutual restrictions on contact between the parties, changes in work or housing locations, leaves of absence, increased security and monitoring of certain areas of the campus, and other similar measures. The particular supportive measures available in a particular case depend on the individual circumstances.

Q. Are supportive measures confidential?

A. Supportive measures will be kept as confidential as possible. Some supportive measures require that information be shared with the other parties or with other authorities. For example, it is necessary to share information about the identity of a party in order to implement and enforce a no-contact order or to make academic accommodations.

Q. How do I request supportive measures?

A. Any person who reports or is accused of sexual misconduct may request supportive measures through the Title IX Coordinator.

# **Preserving Evidence**

**Victims or survivors of domestic** violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking should consider the importance of preserving evidence. Law enforcement or health care professionals may be able to assist with collecting and preserving evidence, which may be necessary as proof in a criminal case or in order to obtain an order of protection. Evidence may be lost if not preserved quickly. A list of community-based resources is included at the end of this document.

Local resources and contact information are listed in Section IX of the Sexual Misconduct Response Policy.

## **How to File a Formal Complaint**

A person who is the victim of sexual misconduct may file a formal complaint by submitting a request for the institution to investigate the allegations. The request must be in writing (which may be email) and must be signed or indicate that it is being filed by the complainant. An optional complaint form is included in the Sexual Misconduct Response Policy. The formal complaint must be submitted to the Title IX Coordinator in person, by mail, or by email, by using the contact information listed below.

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105 E. Main Street
Leesburg, FL 34748
<a href="mailto:kreinke@beaconcollege.edu">kreinke@beaconcollege.edu</a>
352-787-7547



Reporting sexual misconduct to anyone other than the Title IX Coordinator does not constitute a formal complaint.

## **Community Resources**

#### **National Resources**

#### National Sexual Assault Hotline

The National Sexual Assault Hotline is a free 24/7 telephone hotline operated by the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN). The hotline automatically redirects callers to local rape crisis centers based on the area code and first three digits of the caller's phone number. RAINN does not keep a record of the caller's phone number.

Hotline: 1-800-656-HOPE (1-800-656-4673)

https://www.rainn.org/about-national-sexual-assault-telephone-hotline

#### National Domestic Violence Hotline

For anyone affected by abuse and needing support, call 1-800-799-7233, or if you're unable to speak safely, you can log onto thehotline.org or text LOVEIS to 1-866-331-9474. These resources are available 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

#### National Gender-Based Street Harassment Hotline

The Online National Street Harassment Hotline is a free, confidential, secure service that provides live help through the Stop Street Harassment website.

Hotline: 855-897-5910 or use secure IM chat via http://tinyurl.com/TheSHhotline

#### National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

If you are in immediate danger of seriously harming yourself or being harmed by someone else, call 911 or going to the nearest emergency room.

If you are struggling with thoughts of suicide, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline can help at 1-800-273- TALK (8255) and for the Spanish line call 888.628.9454 or TTY: 800.799.4TTY (4889)



## **Law Enforcement and Community Resources**

Campus safety is available on campus, and emergency medical assistance and law enforcement assistance are available off campus. Individuals are encouraged (but not required) to contact law enforcement and seek medical treatment as soon as possible following an incident that poses a threat to safety or physical well-being or following a potential criminal offense. For more information about filing a criminal complaint with law enforcement, please contact:

# Leesburg Police Department

115 E Magnolia St Leesburg, FL 34748

Phone: 352-787-2121 or for emergencies dial 911

## Campus Safety

118 W. Meadow Street Leesburg, FL 34748 Phone: 352-638-9799

# **Beacon College Wellness Line**

833-434-1217

## LOCAL HOSPITALS/EMERGENCY ROOMS:

## **UF Health Leesburg Hospital**

600 E Dixie Ave Leesburg, FL 34748 Phone: 352-323-5762

## **AdventHealth Waterman**

1000 Waterman Way Tavares, FL 32778 (352) 343-3333

## **South Lake Hospital**

1900 Don Wickham Dr. Clermont, FL 34711 Phone:(352)394-4071



## MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OTHER LOCAL SERVICES:

## Haven of Lake and Sumter Counties, Inc.

2600 South St Leesburg, FL 34748 Phone:352-787-1379

# Life and Hope Counseling

4400 N Highway 19A, Ste 5 Mount Dora, FL 32757 Phone: (352) 357-1955

# **Family Life Counseling Center**

1230 Oakley Seaver Dr. Clermont, FL 34711 Phone: (352) 988-6673

## **Lifestream Behavioral Center**

2020Tally Rd Leesburg, FL 34748 Phone: (352) 315-7500

#### LAKE COUNTY OUTREACH COUNSELING OFFICE

2600 South Street Leesburg, FL 34748 Phone: (352) 787-5889

# DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE VICTIMS/SURVIVORS AND ANY COUNTY OR CITY SEXUAL ASSAULT REPSONSE ORGANIZATIONS:

## **Community Health Centers**

25 N 1st St Leesburg, FL 34748

Phone: 877-552-4235 or 352-314-7400

## **Women's Care Center**

309 High St# 102 Leesburg, Fl 34748 Phone: 352-787-8929



# **Community Health Centers**

212 E. Main St. Tavares, FL 32778 (352) 314-7400

## **Community Health Centers**

2140 Don Wickham Dr., Ste C Clermont, FL 34711 (352)314-7400

#### **Christian Care Center**

115 N 13th ST. Leesburg, FL 34748 (352) 314-8733

# **Lake County Health Department - Leesburg Health Services**

2113 W. Griffin Rd. Leesburg, Fl 34748 Phone: (352)360-6548

## **Clermont Health Center - Lake County Health Department**

875 Oakley Seaver Dr. Clermont, FL 34711 Phone: (352) 989-9001

# **Community Primary Health Clinic**

2300 Kurt St. Eustis, FI 32726 (352) 589- 2501

I certify that I have read this document and have been given a copy for my records. I also certify that I have had my rights read to me by the appropriate Beacon College personnel, and I understand my rights as written and verbally presented.

I understand I may seek supportive measures from any of the agencies or organizations referenced in this document, and Beacon College will assist me with logistics if so requested.

Signature: _			
Date:			

Student Name (Printed):