

National Campus Safety Awareness Month

Dating and Domestic Violence in the age of COVID-19



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In the wake of **COVID-19** and an advancing **civil rights** movement, institutions around the nation are reaffirming their commitments to campus safety. As communities wrestle with a new normal, the **Clery Act** remains the same—a **call to action**.



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GROUP DISCUSSION CHAT

What is the biggest change for you as we adjust to life in a post-COVID-19 world?

Share your thoughts in the chat box.

TODAY'S GOALS

- ❑ Discuss the prevalence of dating and domestic violence across the country as a result of COVID-19 shelter in place orders
- ❑ Review how the Clery Act addresses rights and options for dating and domestic violence survivors
- ❑ Discuss specific campus-based barriers and advantages of campus resources for victims/survivors of dating and domestic violence
- ❑ Share highlights from Clery Center's updated Guide to Creating a Written Notification document

NEWS FLASH



SNAPSHOT OF INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE



Peace is not just the absence of war. Many women under lockdown for #COVID19 face violence where they should be safest: in their own homes.

Today I appeal for peace in homes around the world.

I urge all governments to put women's safety first as they respond to the pandemic.



9:30 AM · Apr 6, 2020 · Twitter Media Studio

Before COVID-19*:

On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines nationwide receive over 19,000 calls

In the United States, more than 10 million adults experience domestic violence annually

From 2016 through 2018 the number of intimate partner violence in the US increased 42%.7

Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime

Intimate partner violence is most common against women between the ages of 18-24

*National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

RIPPED FROM THE HEADLINES

 VICE

How Women Are Dealing with the ‘Double Pandemic’ of Coronavirus and Domestic Violence

According to the COVID-19 Violence Tracker, domestic violence was the single most reported category of violence worldwide from January to ...



 The New York Times

The Women Fighting Domestic Violence During the Coronavirus

That domestic violence is part of the story of this pandemic is well known: ... In Texas, which reported record numbers of daily cases of Covid-19 ...



 Forbes

The Covid-19 Pandemic Has Escalated Domestic Violence Worldwide

Yifat Susskind, Executive Director of MADRE. MADRE. “We must recognize the full range of domestic violence: not only intimate partner abuse ...



COVID-19 INFLUENCES POWER AND CONTROL

Interpersonal

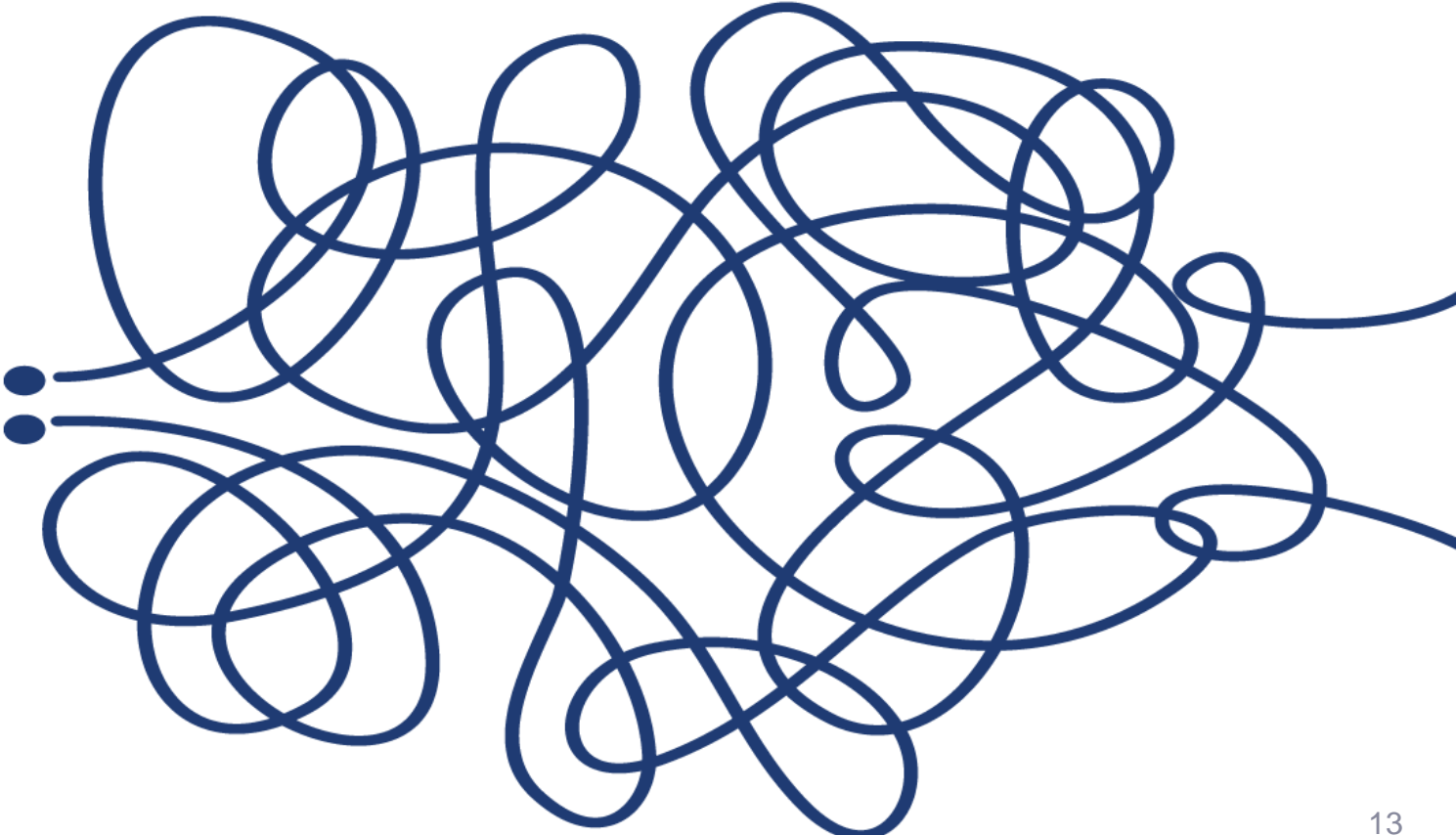
- Abusive partners may restrict travel to gather basic necessities such as food or toilet paper
- Abusive partners may withhold pandemic necessities such as cleaning supplies, masks, or sanitizer
- Abusive partners may be more brazen with physical violence

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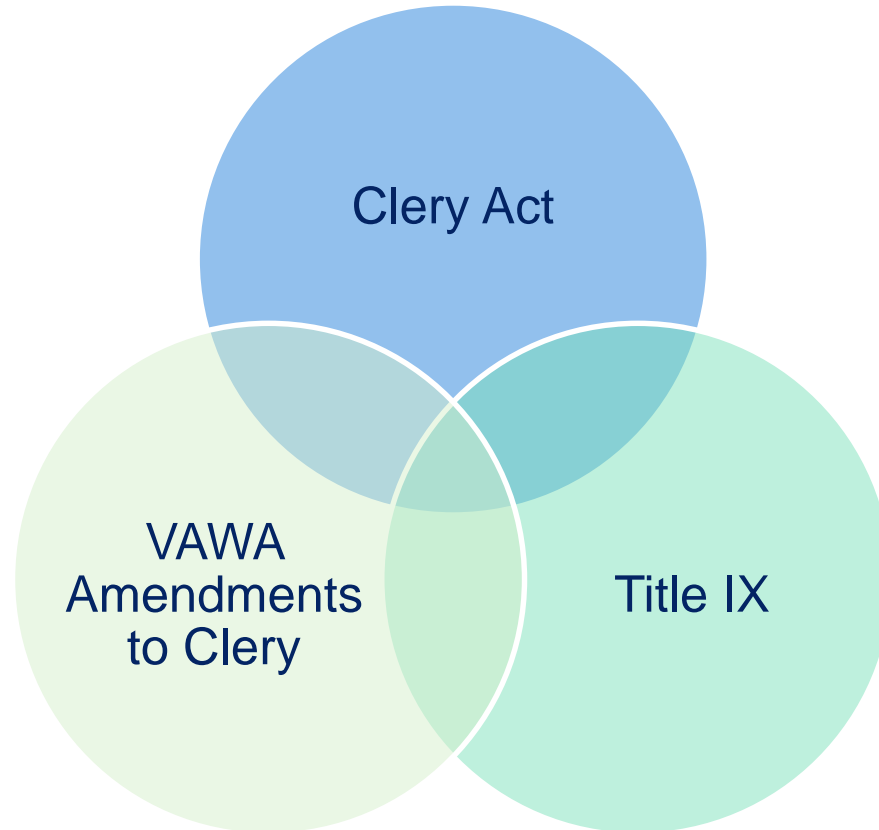
- Shelters may be full or stop intakes, and hotlines may be overwhelmed or have longer wait times
- Counseling centers and courthouses may have limited access or functionality
- National or local travel restrictions could impact escape or safety plans

FINDING A PATH FORWARD

START



CLERY INTERSECTIONS: AS OF MAY 2020



VAWA AMENDMENTS TO CLERY

New
Offenses
and Bias
Categories

Reporting

Prevention
and
Response

Disciplinary
Proceedings
Requirements

OVERVIEW OF CLERY ACT CRIMES

Criminal Offenses

- Homicide
- Sex Offenses
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault
- Burglary
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Arson

Hate Crimes

VAWA Offenses

- Dating Violence
- Domestic Violence
- Stalking

Arrests & Disciplinary Referrals

- Weapons Law Violations
- Drug Abuse Violations
- Liquor Law Violations

DATING VIOLENCE

Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim.

The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of:

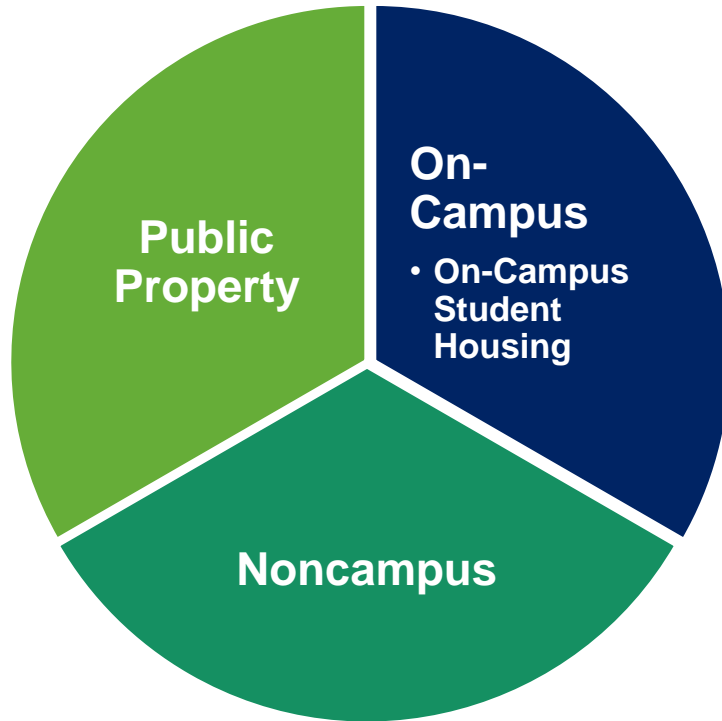
- The length of the relationship.
- The type of relationship.
- The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed:

- By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
- By a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
- By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or
- By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

OVERVIEW OF CLERY GEOGRAPHY



COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

Locations not considered

Clery geography:

- Personal residences
- Privately owned business

PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW: WRITTEN INFORMATION

TO STUDENTS & EMPLOYEES

- Notification of on- and off-campus services
- Counseling
- Health
- Mental Health
- Victim Advocacy
- Legal assistance
- Visa and immigration assistance
- Student financial aid
- Other services available for victims

TO VICTIMS AFTER A REPORT

- Accommodations
- Rights & options

2020 NCSAM RESOURCE



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GUIDE TO CREATING A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION

TITLE OF YOUR DOCUMENT

If you or someone you know has experienced dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, XYZ University is here to help. You have the right to live, learn, and/or work in a safe and welcoming environment. Violence is unacceptable, and University policy prohibits dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking (DVSAS). This document outlines steps to take depending on what services you want or need. Dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, are significant experiences and can be traumatizing. Each person's experience is unique and numerous options are available for support and reporting at XYZ University. It is important to note there is no one correct response — simply different options to access support and different reporting options. Your immediate and long-term safety is what's most important. The resources and options outlined below may be helpful as you decide what next steps are a good fit for you.

[Note from Clery Center: Research and feedback from campuses consistently shows that survivors may not know what constitutes dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Therefore, you may consider providing examples of behaviors that qualify as DVSAS, or at a minimum, the Clery definitions. This element is not required under the Clery Act and may only serve as a way to further personalize your written notification.]

Unsure of where to start?

You may want more information or to talk to someone confidentially as you decide what you'd like to do moving forward. You can access crisis counseling, information, and support by connecting with the resources listed below.

[Consider defining confidential and/or private.]



FIRST STEPS: THINGS TO CONSIDER

Are you in danger?

If yes, call 911.

[Department Name] can also provide support by calling xxx-xxx-xxxx. We will coordinate transport to pick you up from your location and make plans for your next steps.

Do you need medical attention?

You can receive medical attention at any medical facility; however, certain facilities have specially-trained staff to help survivors of sexual assault and/or have the ability to offer a sexual assault forensic exam (SAFE). Medical exams can also address other physical needs or trauma and assess for sexually transmitted infections or pregnancy.

The following locations have sexual assault nurse examiners (SANE):

[Insert contact information for hospitals with SANE nurses (name of hospital, address, phone number). Also emphasize any locations that may have expertise in responding to domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. Also list all known providers that offer SAFE's whether or not administered by a SANE.]

ACCOMMODATIONS/SUPPORTIVE MEASURES

- Housing accommodations
- Academic accommodations
- Transportation/escort accommodations
- Working accommodations
- Financial assistance accommodations*
 - Information on financial accommodations is not a requirement under the law, but may be pertinent as financial control may be an element of dating or domestic abuse.
- Additional protective measures, including an institutional “no contact” order

RESOURCES

On Campus

Victim Advocacy

Office(s)/Contact Information

Counseling & Mental Health

Office(s)/Contact Information

Health

Office(s)/Contact Information

Legal Assistance

Office(s)/Contact Information

Visa & Immigration Assistance

Office(s)/Contact Information

Student Financial Aid

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Off Campus or Community Resources

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TAKING A CLOSER LOOK: ADVANTAGES AND BARRIERS

Developing a Written Notification for survivors of DVSAAS that is:

- **Accessible and Inclusive**

- Include languages and imagery representative of campus community
- Indicate whether or not services are multi-lingual or designed for a specific community or identity group
- Ensure campus and community-based service providers offer services that are inclusive and accessible for all communities.

- **Widely distributed and recognized**

- Identify a mechanism to distribute to all individuals that have experienced DVSAAS as well as faculty and staff in support positions

SHARE YOUR RESOURCE



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QUESTIONS?

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WEBINARS

*Intersectionality and its Role in
Crime Reporting and Support*

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*Interpersonal Violence in
the age of COVID-19*

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[CLERYCENTER.ORG/NCSAM](https://clerycenter.org/nksam)

PODCASTS

*The Same, Yet Different:
An Introduction to NCSAM*
with Jessica Mertz

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*I See You: How Intersectionality
Can Inform Direct Services*
with NVRDC

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When Dating Hurts
with Bill Mitchell
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