

**On-base:**

Command Post: (310) 653-3070

Medical Clinic: (310) 653-2873

Mental Health: (310) 653-6860

OSI: (310) 678-3525

Chaplains 24hr: (310) 864-5375

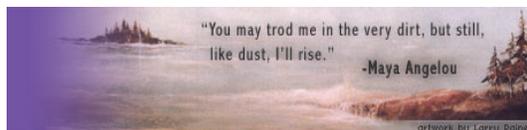
**Off-base:**

**Santa Monica Rape Treatment Center:**  
[www.911rape.org](http://www.911rape.org) (310) 319-4000  
**(24-Hour)**

**Sexual Assault Crisis Agency Hotline:**  
 (562) 989-5900  
 or RAINN (800) 656-HOPE  
**(24-Hour)**

**Air Force One Source: (800) 707-5784**  
[www.airforceonesource.com](http://www.airforceonesource.com)

**California Victim Compensation Program**  
 (800) 777-9229  
[www.victimcompensation.ca.gov](http://www.victimcompensation.ca.gov)



**What to do if you are Sexually Assaulted:**

**Take care of yourself**

Remember - rape is never the victim's fault. No one deserves to be raped. No one has the right to have sex with you without your consent.

**Get to a safe place**

Call someone you trust who can be with you and give you support. If you want to report, call the 24hr SARC Crisis line

**Save physical evidence**

Do not shower, bathe, douche, eat, drink, or brush your teeth. Save all of the clothing you were wearing at the time of the assault. Do not clean up or move anything in the area where the assault occurred.

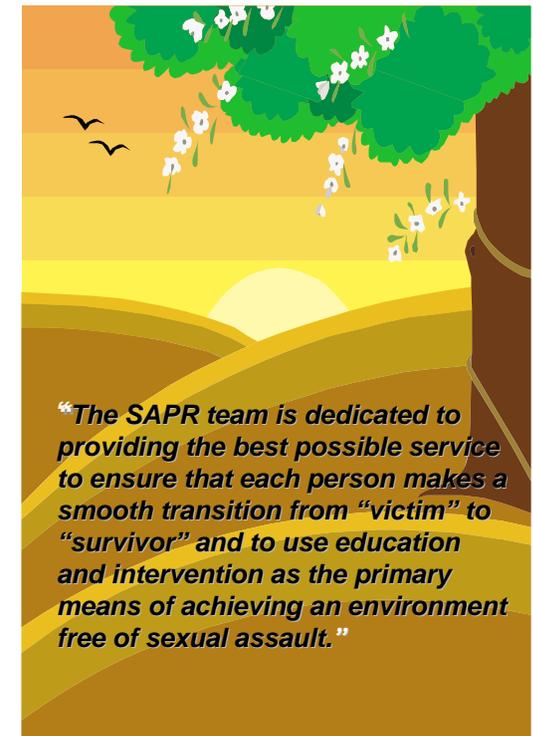
**Get medical care ASAP!**

Sexual assault puts you at risk for sexually transmitted infections and unwanted pregnancy. Many STIs & pregnancies can be prevented if you seek medication ASAP. Having a medical exam is also a way for you to save physical evidence of the assault.

**Air Force's Commitment to Victim's of Sexual Assault:**

- Encouraging victims to report all incidences of sexual assault
- Ensuring victims are properly treated
- Ensuring medical & psychological needs are properly met
- Prosecuting all crimes to the full extent of the law

**SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE PROGRAM**



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**(310) 653-5789/5442 or**  
**24 hour Crisis Line: (310) 901-7023**

# What is Sexual Assault?

Sexual Assault is defined as intentional sexual contact, characterized by use of force, physical threat or abuse of authority when the victim does not or cannot consent.

Sexual assault includes rape, non-consensual sodomy, indecent assault or attempts to commit these acts.

Sexual assault can occur without regard to gender, spousal relationship or the age of the victim. "Consent" shall not be deemed or construed to mean the failure by the victim to offer physical resistance.

Consent is not given when a person uses force, threat of force, coercion or when the victim is asleep, incapacitated or unconscious.

Acquaintance rape is the most common type of rape.



# BREAKING THE SILENCE

## Reporting Sexual Assault...

### Restricted (Military Only)

- SARC does not notify the chain of command and investigation is not initiated
- Victim Advocate attends to victim's needs and provides supportive services
- Victim receives medical care and counseling.  
*\*(if victim presents a need for medical care, then health professionals must break confidentiality based on CA mandated sexual assault reporting law-automatically becomes unrestricted )*
- Victim can initiate an unrestricted reporting decision at a later date
- Confidential Resources Include: SARC, Chaplains and Victim Advocates

### Unrestricted (Military & Civilian)

- The chain of command is notified and begins a criminal investigation
- Victim advocate attends to victim's needs and provides supportive services
- Victim receives medical care and counseling

### Independent (Third Party)

- If you notify law enforcement or your chain of command, the report is considered **unrestricted**
- If you tell someone who subsequently notifies the chain of command, or if someone observes the assault and notifies command, the report is considered **unrestricted** and an investigation is launched
- To preserve your right to restricted report, contact the **SARC first!**

### Common Effects of Sexual Assault:

- Fear, self blame and guilt
- Loss of meaning and sustaining beliefs
- Betrayal and loss of trust
- Diminished sense of self
- Grief, loss, isolation and alienation

## Crime Victim's Bill of Rights

- ❖ Be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect for one's privacy
- ❖ Be reasonably protected from the accused
- ❖ Be notified of court proceedings
- ❖ Be present at public court proceedings unless the Court determines otherwise for good cause
- ❖ Confer with the attorney for the government in the case
- ❖ Restitution, if appropriate
- ❖ Receive information regarding conviction, sentencing, imprisonment and release of the offender from custody

# WE ARE HERE

*We are here to listen, not to work miracles.  
We are here to help you discover what you are feeling, not to make your feelings go away  
We are here to help you identify options, not to decide for you what you should do.  
We are here to discuss steps with you, not to take steps for you. We are here to help you discover you can help yourself, not to take the responsibility for you.  
We are here to help you learn to choose, not to keep you from making difficult choices.  
We are here to provide support for change.*

~Anonymous

**SEXUAL ASSAULT IS A CRIME  
AGAINST A PERSON!**