

Sexual Violence Policy

1. Sexual Violence Policy

- a) The Health and Safety Management College is committed to providing its students with an educational environment free from sexual violence and treating its students who report incidents of sexual violence with dignity and respect.
- b) The Health and Safety Management College has adopted this Sexual Violence Policy, which defines sexual violence and outlines its training, reporting, investigative and disciplinary responses to complaints of sexual violence made by its students that have occurred on its campus, or at one of its events and involve its students.
- c) The person accused of engaging in sexual violence will be referred to as the “Respondent” and the person making the allegation as the “Complainant”.

2. Definition of Sexual Violence

Sexual violence means any sexual act or act targeting a person’s sexuality, gender identity or gender expression, whether the act is physical or psychological in nature, that is committed, threatened or attempted against a person without the person’s consent, and includes sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, indecent exposure, voyeurism and sexual exploitation.

3. Training, Reporting and Responding to Sexual Violence

- a) The Health and Safety Management College shall include a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy in every contract made between it and its students, and provide a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy to career college management (corporate directors, controlling shareholders, owners, partners, other persons who manage or direct the career college’s affairs, and their agents), instructors, staff, other employees and contractors and train them about the policy and its processes of reporting, investigating and responding to complaints of sexual violence involving its students.
- b) The Sexual Violence Policy shall be published on its website.
- c) Career college management, instructors, staff, other employees and contractors of Health and Safety Management College will report incidents of or complaints of sexual violence to the President upon becoming aware of them.
- d) Students who have been affected by sexual violence or who need information about support services should contact Marianne Vogt at 905 442-9290.
- e) Subject to Section 4 below, to the extent it is possible, Health and Safety Management College will attempt to keep all personal information of persons involved in the investigation confidential except in those circumstances where it believes an individual is at imminent risk of self-harm, or of harming another, or there are reasonable grounds to believe that others on its campus or the broader community are at risk.

This will be done by:

- i. Ensuring that all complaints/reports and information gathered as a result of the complaint/reports will be only available to those who need to know for purposes of investigation, implementing safety measures and other circumstances that arise from any given case; and
- ii. Ensuring that the documentation is kept in a separate file from that of the Complainant/student or the Respondent.

- f) **Health and Safety Management College recognizes the right of the Complainant not to report an incident or make a complaint about sexual violence or not request an investigation and not to participate in any investigation that may occur.**
- g) Notwithstanding (f), in certain circumstances, Health and Safety Management College may be required by law or its internal policies to initiate an internal investigation and/or inform police without the complainant's consent if it believes the safety of members of its campus or the broader community is at risk.
- h) **In all cases**, including (f) above, Health and Safety Management College **will appropriately accommodate the needs of its students who are affected by sexual violence**. Students seeking accommodation should contact Marianne Vogt at 905 442-9290.

In this regard, Health and Safety Management College will assist students who have experienced sexual violence in obtaining counselling and medical care, and provide them with information about sexual violence supports and services available in the community as set out in **Appendix 1** attached hereto. **Students are not required to file a formal complaint in order to access supports and services.**

4. Investigating Reports of Sexual Violence

- (a) Under this Sexual Violence Policy, any student of Health and Safety Management College may file a report of an incident or a complaint to Marianne Vogt at m.vogt@hsmcollege.ca in writing. The other official that will be involved in the investigation is Drew Hutcheson, Vice President. If one of these people is the respondent, the other will investigate.
- (b) Upon receipt of a report of an incident or a complaint of alleged sexual violence being made, Marianne Vogt will respond promptly and:
 - i. determine whether an investigation should proceed and if the Complainant wishes to participate in an investigation;
 - ii. determine who should conduct the investigation having regard to the seriousness of the allegation and the parties involved;
 - iii. determine whether the incident should be referred immediately to the police;

In such cases or where civil proceedings are commenced in respect of allegations of sexual violence, Health and Safety Management College may conduct its own independent investigation and make its own determination in accordance with its own policies and procedures; and
 - iv. determine what interim measures ought to be put in place pending the investigation process such as removal of the Respondent or seeking alternate methods of providing necessary course studies.
- (c) A student who discloses their experience of sexual violence through reporting an incident of, making a complaint about, or accessing supports and services for sexual violence, **will not be asked irrelevant questions** during the investigation process by the career college's staff or investigators, including irrelevant questions relating to the student's sexual expression or past sexual history.
- (d) Once an investigation is initiated, the following will occur:
 - (i) the Complainant and the Respondent will be advised that they may ask another person to be present throughout the investigation;
 - (ii) interviewing the Complainant to ensure a complete understanding of the allegation and gathering additional information that may not have been included in the written complaint such as the date

and time of the incident, the persons involved, the names of any person who witnessed the incident and a complete description of what occurred;

- (iii) informing and interviewing the Respondent of the complaint, providing details of the allegations and giving the Respondent an opportunity to respond to those allegations and to provide any witnesses the Respondent feels are essential to the investigation;
- (iv) interviewing any person involved or who has, or may have, knowledge of the incident and any identified witnesses;
- (v) providing reasonable updates to the Complainant and the Respondent about the status of the investigation; and
- (vi) following the investigation, Marianne Vogt will:
 - A. review all of the evidence collected during the investigation;
 - B. determine whether sexual violence occurred; and if so
 - C. determine what disciplinary action, if any, should be taken as set out in Section 5 below.

5. Disciplinary Measures

- (a) If it is determined by Health and Safety Management College that the Respondent did engage in sexual violence, immediate disciplinary or corrective action will be taken. This may include:
 - i. disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff; or
 - ii. expulsion of a student; and /or
 - iii. the placement of certain restrictions on the Respondent's ability to access certain premises or facilities; and/or
 - iv. any other actions that may be appropriate in the circumstances.

6. Appeal

- a. Should the Complainant or the Respondent not agree with the decision resulting from the investigation, he or she may appeal the decision to the President of Health and Safety Management College within 30 days by submitting a letter addressed to Betty J. McDonald, President, Health and Safety Management College, 28 Florence Street E, Huntsville ON P1H 1P8, or email to b.mcdonald@hsmcollege.ca, advising of the person's intent to appeal the decision.

7. Making False Statements

- (a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy for anyone to knowingly make a false complaint of sexual violence or to provide false information about a complaint.
- (b) Individuals who violate this Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and / or corrective action up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff or expulsion of a student.

8. Reprisal

- (a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy to retaliate or threaten to retaliate against a complainant who has brought forward a complaint of sexual violence, provided information related to a complaint, or otherwise been involved in the complaint investigation process.

- (b) If a student, in good faith, reports an incident of, or make a complaint about, sexual violence, they will not be subject to discipline or sanctions for violations of the College's policies relating to drug or alcohol use at the time the alleged sexual violence occurred;
- (c) Individuals who violate the Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and /or corrective action, up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff or expulsion of a student.

9. Review

- (a) The Health and Safety Management College shall ensure that student input is considered in the development of its Sexual Violence Policy and every time it is reviewed or amended.
- (b) The Health and Safety Management College shall review its Sexual Violence Policy 3 years after it is first implemented and amend it where appropriate. This date is January 1, 2025.

10. Collection of Student Data

- (a) The Health and Safety Management College shall collect and be prepared to provide upon request by the Superintendent of Career Colleges such data and information as required according to Subsections 32. 3 (8), (9) and (10) of Schedule 5 of the *Ontario Career Colleges Act, 2005* as amended.

I have read and understand the Sexual Violence Policy.

Name: (Please print)

Name: (Please sign)

Date: ____/____/____

DD MM YEAR

Appendix 1

The following Provincial Sexual Assault Crisis Centres provide resources that can be of help to students in distress:

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTRES

English

Assaulted Women's Helpline
Toll Free: 1-866-863-0511
#SAFE (#7233) on Bell, Rogers, Fido
or Telus mobile
TTY: 416-364-8762
www.awhl.org

Français

Fem'aide
Telephone Toll-Free: 1-877-336-
2433
ATS: 1 866 860-7082
www.femaide.ca

SEXUAL ASSAULT/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TREATMENT CENTRES

35 hospital-based centres that provide 24/7 emergency care to women. To locate the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre nearest you see the locations shown here.

LOCAL CENTRES

Alliston, Barrie, Collingwood, Midland and Orillia

Huronian Transition Homes operates La Maison Rosewood Shelter (Midland) & Athena's Sexual Assault Counselling and Advocacy Centre

24-Hour Crisis Line:

Barrie: 705-737-2008 or 1-800-
987-0799
Midland: 705-526-4211 or 1-
800-461-175
Office: 705-526-3221

www.huroniatransitionhomes.ca

Belleville

Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District
Toll-Free: 1-877-544-6424
Office: 613-967-6300
www.sacqd.com

Bracebridge

Muskoka/Parry Sound Sexual Assault Services

Parry Sound District Office
Office: (705) 774-9083 or 1-877-851-6662
www.daphnewymn.com

Muskoka District Office
Office: (705) 646-2122 or 1-877-406-1268
www.daphnewymn.com

Brantford

Sexual Assault Centre of Brantford
Crisis: 519-751-3471
Office: 519-751-1164
sexualassaultcentre@sacbrant.ca
<http://sacbrant.ca/>

Brockville

Assault Response & Care Centre
Office: (613) 345-3881 or 1-800-567-7415
arcc@bgh-on.ca
www.arc-c.ca

Chatham

Chatham-Kent Sexual Assault Crisis Centre
24-Hour Crisis Line: 519-354-8688
Office/TTY: 519-354-8908
<http://cksacc.org/>



Cornwall

Sexual Assault Support Services for Women

Office: 613-932-1755

<http://sassforwomen.ca/>

Iethinisten:ha Women's Shelter

Akwesasne Family Violence Program

24-Hour Crisis: 1-800-480-4208

Phone: 613-937-4322

www.akwesasne.ca/iethinistenha-women's-shelter

Durham Region

Durham Rape Crisis Centre

Crisis: 905-668-9200

Office: 905-444.9672

info@drcc.ca

www.drcc.ca

Eganville

Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County

24-Hour Crisis: 1-800-663-3060

Office: 613-735-5551

www.wsac.ca

Guelph

Guelph-Won Women in Crisis

Crisis: 519-836-5710

1-800-265-7233

Office: 519-823-5806

www.gwwomenincrisis.org

Hamilton

Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area)

Crisis: (905) 525-4162

Office (905) 525-4573

TTY: 905-525-4592

www.sacha.ca

Kenora

Kenora Sexual Assault Centre

Crisis: (807) 468-7233 or 1-800-565-6161

Office: (807) 468-7958

www.kenorasexualassaultcentre.com

Kingston

Sexual Assault Centre Kingston

Crisis: 613-544-6424 or 1-877-544-6424

Office: 613-545-0762

sack@sackingston.com

www.sackingston.com

Kitchener-Waterloo

Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region

Crisis: 519.741.8633

Office: 519.571.0121

info@sascwr.org

www.kwsasc.org

London

Sexual Assault Centre London

Crisis: 519-438-2272

Office 519-439-0844

TTY: 519-439-0690

sacl@sacl.ca

www.sacl.ca

London Abused Women's Centre

Office: 519-432-2204

E-Mail: info@lawc.on.ca

<http://lawc.on.ca/>

Peel Region

Hope 24/7 (formerly the Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Centre of Peel)

Crisis: 1-800-810-0180

Office: (905) 792-0821

<http://hope247.ca/>

Newmarket

Women's Support Network of York Region

Crisis: 1-800-263-6734 or 905-895-6734

Office: (905) 895-3646

www.womenssupportnetwork.ca

North Bay

Amelia Rising Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing/centre d'agressions sexuelles de Nipissing

Crisis: 705-476-3355

Office: 705-840-2403

TTY: (705) 840-5877

info@ameliarising.ca www.ameliarising.ca



Oakville

Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services
of Halton
Crisis: 905-875-1555 or 1-877-268-8416
Office: 905-825-3622
www.savisofhalton.org

Orangeville

Family Transition Place
Crisis: 1-800-265-9178
Office: 519-942-4122
www.familytransitionplace.ca

Ottawa

Sexual Assault Support Centre
Crisis: 613-234-2266
Phone: 613-725-2160
TTY: 613-725-1657
info@sascottawa.com
<http://sascottawa.com>

Ottawa Rape Crisis Centre
Crisis: 613-562-2333
Office: 613-562-2334
<http://orcc.net/>

Peterborough & Kawarthas

Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre
Crisis: (705) 741- 0260 or 1-866-298-7778
Office/TTY: (705) 741-0260
www.kawarthasexualassaultcentre.com

YWCA Peterborough Haliburton
Crisis: 1-800-461-7656
Office: 705.743.3526 x 130
www.ywcapeterborough.org

Sault Ste Marie

Women in Crisis (Algoma) Inc.
Crisis: 705-759-1230 or 1-877-759-1230
www.womenincrisis.ca

Sarnia-Lambton

Sexual Assault Survivors Centre Sarnia-
Lambton
Crisis: 519 337-3320 or 1-888-231-0536
Office: (519) 337-3154
www.sexualassaultsarnia.on.ca

Simcoe

Haldimand & Norfolk Women's Service
Crisis: 1-800-265-8076
TTY: 1-800-815-6419
Office: 519-426-8048
hnws@hnws.on.ca
www.hnws.on.ca

St. Catharines

Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre
Crisis: (905) 682-4584
Office: (905) 682-7258
carsa@sexualassaultniagara.org
<http://sexualassaultniagara.org/>

Thunder Bay

Thunder Bay Sexual Assault and Sexual Abuse
Crisis and Counselling Centre
Office: (807) 345-0894 or 1-866-311-5927
tbcounselling@tbsasa.org
www.tbsasa.org

Timmins

Timmins and Area Women in Crisis
Crisis: 1-877-268-8380 (sexual assault)
Crisis: 1-855-827-7233 (shelter)
Office: (705) 268-8381
info@tawc.ca, <http://www.tawc.ca/>

Toronto

Oasis Centre des Femmes
Téléphone: 416-591-6565
Courriel: services@oasisfemmes.org
<http://oasisfemmes.org/>

Toronto Rape Crisis Centre: Multicultural
Women Against Rape
Crisis: 416-597-8808
Office: 416-597-1171
info@trccmwar.ca
crisis@trccmwar.ca
www.trccmwar.ca

Windsor

Sexual Assault Crisis Centre of Essex County

Crisis: 519-253-9667

www.saccwindsor.net

Woodstock

Domestic Abuse Services Oxford

Crisis: 519 539-4811 or 1-800-265-1938

info@daso.ca

www.daso.ca