



MARICOPA
COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Clery Act Information

Clery Act and Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act

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The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act is a Federal statute requiring colleges and universities participating in federal financial aid programs to maintain and disclose campus crime statistics and security information. The Clery Act is codified in 20 U.S.C. §1092(f), with implementing regulations in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations at 34 C.F.R. 668.46.

The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 amended the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) by adding requirements to distribute written notifications in order to increase the transparency between institutions of higher education and students and employees. The notifications explain the rights, options and resources for victims of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking. This amendment created three requirements for these notifications, all found in this Annual Notification, as follows:

Notification #1: SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT, DATING/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND STALKING

The Maricopa County Community College District does not sponsor on-campus counseling, mental health, or other student services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and/or stalking offenses, therefore, the campus will notify all affected persons of the existence of off-campus counseling, mental health, or other services for victims of these offenses. Professional Counselors, if and when deemed appropriate, should inform the person they are counseling of any procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

Notification #2: ASSISTANCE REGARDING INTERIM AND SUPPORTIVE MEASURES

[Title IX Coordinators](#) will offer options for and assistance in changing academic or living situations that are available to you, within reason, so long as you request such changes be made available. Maricopa County Community Colleges District does not offer professional counselling services on any of our campuses, but our Title IX Coordinators will provide information regarding counseling, mental and physical health, and other student services resources, such as:

- [A New Leaf](#)
- [Autumn House](#)
- [Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence](#)
- [Chrysalis](#)

Additional resources can be located [here](#).

The Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) strictly prohibits retaliation against any individual who files a complaint, or has experienced or witnessed acts of sexual harassment, discrimination, or violence. MCCCD defines retaliation as when any instructor(s), supervisor(s), manager(s), academic professional(s), administrator(s), or other employee(s) uses their authority to take adverse action against an individual who files a complaint, or has experienced or witnessed acts of sexual harassment, discrimination, or violence, or is involved in the investigation of acts of sexual harassment, discrimination, or violence.

Notification #3: RIGHTS AND OPTIONS FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT, DATING/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND STALKING —ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Why is it important to seek medical attention?

Seeking medical attention is your choice. Often it is a good idea to see a doctor as soon as possible to make sure you are okay and to talk about any concerns you have about your health. A doctor can provide you with information about your medical care and answers to your questions, a health check to check for possible injuries and provide treatment, talk about pregnancy testing, talk about sexually transmitted infections including testing and treatment, talk about the effects of the rape and sexual assault on your wellbeing, including feeling depressed or suicidal, eating and sleeping patterns, or level of anxiety, provide a medical certificate if you need some time off work, school or university.

If you are thinking about reporting to the police, the doctor can collect evidence for the police with your consent. It is important that this done soon as possible. By law, you are not required to report to law enforcement in order to receive a sexual assault forensic exam, commonly referred to as a “rape kit.” The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 has made it easier for someone to have a “Jane Doe rape kit,” where they are given a code to identify themselves if they choose to report later.

2. How can one access confidential support services?

Sexual misconduct, dating/domestic violence, and stalking can be complex and painful experiences that can require many different types of support including medical, legal, psychological, and academic resources. There are no employees within Maricopa who can guarantee complete confidentiality; however, there are resources outside of Maricopa that you may wish to have a confidential conversation with about your options and what next steps you would like to take.

Sexual assault service providers have highly trained staff that can offer assistance in moments of crisis as well as resources for ongoing support related to sexual violence. Their services are usually free or low cost. They can offer information and resources including

- Individual counseling
- Group counseling/support groups
- Medical attention and hospital accompaniment
- Legal/criminal justice system advocacy
- Crime victim assistance advocacy
- Community education
- Professional education
- Casework/practical assistance
- Emergency shelter

In Arizona, the following independent sexual assault service providers are dedicated to helping survivors of sexual assault.

HAVEN Family Resources Center, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

Time Out, Inc. Payson, AZ 85547

Eve's Place, Peoria, AZ 85345

La Frontera EMPACT, Tempe, AZ 85281

Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault, Tucson, AZ 85716

3. What are the different options for reporting sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking, both on and off campus?

Any student who has experienced, witnessed, or otherwise knows of sexual harassment, discrimination, or violence may file a Formal Complaint by contacting the [Title IX/504 Coordinator](#) at their respective college or center.

- A Formal Complaint can be given orally or in writing within 300 calendar days of the discriminatory act.

- Once the Formal Complaint is received by the [Title IX/504 Coordinator](#), it will then be shared with the college President and the Office of General Counsel, whereupon the Formal Complaint will be assigned a case number.
- A copy of the Formal Complaint will be shared with the accused individual within five (5) working days of receipt by the [Title IX/504 Coordinator](#), and will be notified that any form of retaliation against the victim, the individual who reported the discriminatory act, or potential witnesses is prohibited.
- The accused individual must respond to the Formal Complaint in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days of his or her receipt of the Formal Complaint.

[Click here](#) to view a list of Maricopa County Community College's (MCCCD) Title IX/504 Coordinators. [Click here](#) to view additional elements of the investigation process for violations of the Sexual Harassment and Discrimination policy.

There are several options for reporting a sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking. Some options include:

- **Call 911.** If you are in immediate danger, dial 911. Help will come to you, wherever you are.
- **Contact the local police department.** Call the direct line of your local police station or visit the station in person. If you are on a college campus you may also be able to contact campus-based law enforcement.
- **Visit a medical center.** If you are being treated for injuries resulting from sexual assault, tell a medical professional that you wish to report the crime. You can also choose to have a sexual assault forensic exam. To find an appropriate local health facility that is prepared to care for survivors, call the National Sexual Assault Hotline 800.656.HOPE (4673).

A list of victim's rights can be found [here](#). A list of the accused's rights can be found [here](#). For additional resources please click [here](#).

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The Maricopa County Community College District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities. For Title IX/504 concerns, call the following number to reach the appointed coordinator: (480) 731-8499. For additional information, as well as a listing of all coordinators within the Maricopa College system, visit <http://www.maricopa.edu/non-discrimination>.