Sexual Violence Victims/Survivors Bill Of Rights

The State University of New York and SUNY Cobleskill are committed to providing options, support and assistance to victims/survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking to ensure that they can continue to participate in College-wide and campus programs, activities, and employment. All victims/survivors of these crimes and violations, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, disability, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status, or criminal conviction, have the following rights, regardless of whether the crime or violation occurs on campus, off campus, or while studying abroad.

Victims/Surviors Have the Right:

- To have disclosures of sexual violence treated seriously.
- To make a decision about whether or not to disclose a crime or incident and participate in the conduct or criminal justice process free from outside pressures from college officials.
- To be treated with dignity and to receive from college officials courteous, fair, and respectful health care and counseling services.
- To be free from any suggestion that the victim/ survivor is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such a crime.
- To describe the incident to as few individuals as practicable and not to be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident.
- To be free from retaliation by the College, the accused, and/or their friends, family and acquaintances.
- To exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or conduct process of the College.



Options for Victims/Survivors:

- Victims/survivors have many options that can be pursued simultaneously, including one or more of the following:
 - Receive resources, such as counseling and medical attention;
 - Confidentially or anonymously disclose a crime or violation
 - Confidential resources include licensed counselors and medical professionals both on and off-campus, and the clergy
 - Individuals who cannot guarantee confidentiality will maintain your privacy to the greatest extent possible
 - · If in doubt about confidentiality, ask

Anyone Can Make a Report:

For Emergency Assistance or to Report a Crime University Police, 518-255-5317 or 911

For Medical Attention or to Discuss Your Situation with a Counselor

Beard Wellness Center, 518-255-5225, wellnesscenter@cobleskill.edu

For Questions or Concerns Regarding Title IX or to File a Sexual Harassment or Discrimination Complaint Against a Student, Faculty/Staff Member, or Vendor

Lynn Berger, Director of Employee Relations and Affirmative Action/Title IX Coordinator, 518-255-5465, bergerla@cobleskill.edu, Knapp Hall 123

To Report Student Code of Conduct Violations Including Sexual Harassment or Discrimination

Matthew LaLonde, Director of Judicial and Veteran's Affairs, 518-255-5215, lalondmm@cobleskill.edu, Knapp Hall 240

To Contact Local Law Enforcement

Cobleskill Police Department, 518-234-2111 or 911, 378 Mineral Springs Rd, Cobleskill, NY 12043

To Contact Family or Civil Court Schoharie County Court, 518-453-6999.

290 Main Street, Schoharie, NY 12157



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