### Resource & Referral Options

**Confidential Resources**

- **Contacting a confidential resource does not put UC Merced on formal notice**

  **CARE OFFICE** | CARE welcomes students, staff and faculty of all gender identities, sexual orientations, races/ethnicities, classes and abilities.
  
  **TEL:** 209-228-7939

  **CAMPUS ADVOCATE**
  Valara “Val” Villanueva
  **TEL:** 209-386-2051
  **EMAIL:**_ucmcare@ucmerced.edu
  Located in Kolligian Library 107

  **VALLEY CRISIS CENTER**
  **TEL:** 209-722-4357 (24-hour hotline)
  **WEB:** valleycrisiscenter.org
  Located at 1960 P St. in Merced

  **COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)** students only
  **TEL:** 209-228-4266 (24-hour hotline)
  **WEB:** counseling.ucmerced.edu
  Located in the Student Health Center

  **INSIGHT EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** employees only
  **TEL:** 800-422-5322
  **WEB:** counseling.ucmerced.edu

  **OFFICE OF OMBUDS SERVICES**
  **TEL:** 209-228-4410
  **WEB:** ombuds.ucmerced.edu
  Located in Student Services Building 211

**Medical Assistance**

- **A survivor can seek medical care to test for sexually transmitted infections, pregnancy or physical injury.**

  Please note that medical staff must report sexual or domestic violence to law enforcement, but that does not mean a survivor has to file a report if they do not want to. Patients have a right to a support person at a medical exam.

  **Forensic Exam:** To obtain a free forensic exam also known as a Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) exam, contact campus advocate, Valley Crisis Center, or law enforcement. A forensic exam is initiated by law enforcement. The forensic exam collects evidence for a criminal investigation. An advocate can provide assistance with this process and provide transportation and accompaniment to the exam. The exam is time sensitive.

  **Jane Doe SART kit:** This kit is collected like a regular SART exam. However, the survivor does not need to collaborate with law enforcement or the investigation process. Law enforcement will store the kit until the survivors decided to press charges. For more information, contact the campus advocate.

**Legal Authorities Reporting**

- **Survivors have the legal right to have an advocate present when reporting to police.**

  Police officers are available to answer questions, take reports, and refer to appropriate jurisdiction, depending on where the crime took place.

  **UC MERCED DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**
  **TEL:** 911 (emergency) or 209-228-2677 (non-emergency)
  **WEB:** police.ucmerced.edu

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