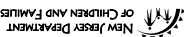


NJ County Rape Crisis Programs:

Atlantic	800-286-4184	609-645-2909 (TTY)	Middlesex	877-665-7273
Bergen	800-221-5168	201-487-0916 (TTY)	Monmouth	888-264-7273
Burlington	856-234-8888	866-234-5006	Morris	973-829-0587
	800-852-7899 (TTY)	800-852-7899 (TTY)	Ocean	609-494-0441 (TTY)
Camden	866-295-7378	800-852-7897 (TTY)	<i>Southern</i>	609-494-1090
	877-294-2272	609-463-0818 (TTY)	<i>Northern</i>	732-370-4010
Cape May	800-601-7200	877-294-2272	Passaic	973-881-1450
Cumberland	877-733-2273	866-295-7378		973-993-0183 (TTY)
Essex	866-295-7378	856-428-8373 (TTY)	Salem	856-935-6655
Gloucester	201-795-5757	856-428-8373 (TTY)	Somerset	908-526-7444
Hudson	888-988-4033	908-788-4044 (TTY)		908-809-1597 (TTY)
Hunterdon	866-954-0100 (TTY)	908-518-0183 (TTY)	Sussex	973-875-1211
Mercer	609-394-9000	908-233-7273 (TTY)	Union	908-233-7273
	888-252-7233 (TTY)	908-518-0183 (TTY)	Warren	866-623-7233
		908-453-2553 (TTY)		



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If **You** or
Someone You Know
Has Been
a **Victim** of
Sexual Violence,
Help is Available.

If You Have Been Sexually Victimized:

- ▶ Get to a safe place.
- ▶ Don't bathe, shower, douche, change your clothes, eat, drink, smoke, urinate, brush your teeth, gargle or anything else that might destroy or wash away evidence including evidence of a drug facilitated sexual assault.
- ▶ Contact your county Sexual Violence Program for emotional support, information and to learn about your options.
- ▶ Seek medical attention for injuries, sexually transmitted infections, HIV and possible pregnancy.
- ▶ Have your county Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) activated if you wish to have forensic evidence collected.
- ▶ Contact the police department where the assault occurred if you wish to make a police report.
- ▶ If you are unsure about making a police report at this time, evidence can still be collected up to five days following the assault and held for up to 90 days while you decide about reporting.

Options Available if You Become the Victim of Sexual Violence

A Confidential Sexual Violence Advocate is available 24 hours-a-day to accompany you through all medical, legal and court procedures. An Advocate is someone who has received specialized training in the dynamics of sexual violence and is knowledgeable about assisting victims through the aftermath of a sexual assault. Advocates can provide emotional support and information to you and your significant others, as well as explain your options. Crisis counseling is also available at each county Sexual Violence Program. All services are free and confidential, and are available regardless of when the assault occurred or whether a victim reports the crime. The hotline number for your county is listed on the back of this card.

If the assault happened within the past five days and you are over the age of 13, the county Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) can be activated 24 hours-a-day.

The SART consists of three professionals who are trained to help you if you are sexually assaulted – a Confidential Sexual Violence Advocate, a police officer and a forensic nurse examiner. The forensic nurse can provide medical treatment and collect forensic evidence. Contact your county Confidential Sexual Violence Advocate for more information or to have SART activated.

Help is Available Whether You Were Assaulted Minutes Ago or Years Ago.