Responding to Sexual Assault on Campus

A National Assessment and Systematic Classification of the Scope and Challenges for Investigation and Adjudication

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The Responding to Sexual Assault on Campus project responds to the unprecedented recent attention paid to how colleges handle campus sexual assault. It provides a systematic overview of how colleges are approaching the investigation and adjudication of incidents.

WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE!

Please support this project's efforts to improve response to campus sexual assault!

- If contacted: please participate in a confidential phone interview.
- If you wish to be kept up-to-date on our project please go to: www.wcwonline.org /svcampusproject to check for the latest information.
- 3. Please sign up for our mailing list so you can learn about key findings and opportunities to share your knowledge.
- Please check back to our website for policy checklists and tools for self-evaluation.

The <u>first phase</u> is an examination of the websites of 969 fouryear accredited institutions to evaluate the public promulgation of their policies and procedures related to incidents of sexual assault. The <u>second phase</u> is interviews with 100 key campus

stakeholders with knowledge of their institution's policies and procedures in action to identify what they see as successful approaches as well as remaining barriers to effective investigation and adjudication of sexual assault.



Results will be used to create tools that can help institutions develop and revise procedures for a workable, fair, and equitable process that fits their campus needs.

Tools may include

- ❖ A policy checklist (guided by federal legal requirements)
- Guidance for conducting a website self-evaluation to gauge clarity and comprehensiveness
- A summary of approaches to investigation and adjudication of campus sexual assault with each approach's strengths and complexities highlighted

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