

Kent State University
Annual Security Report
2016 Report on 2015 Statistics
College of Podiatric Medicine (CPM)





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About the Annual Security Report

Ensuring the safety and security of students, employees, and visitors to campus is a priority at Kent State University. Please read the important information in this bulletin to learn more about the university's policies, procedures, programs, and statistics regarding safety and security, including valuable information about how to report and get help in the event safety is compromised.

The "Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act" (Clery Act) is a federal law originally enacted in 1990 amending the Higher Education Act of 1965. This law and its amendments require universities that receive federal funds to annually publish certain information regarding crimes that occur: on campus; on public property around campus; or on non-campus property owned or controlled by a student organization or by the university when used in support of the university's educational purposes and frequented by students.

The data in this report was compiled by the CPM Business Services Administrator, in collaboration with several other university departments. The Business Office is responsible for collecting on-campus crime statistics, in addition to, securing statistics for public areas adjacent to the campus and for non-campus facilities controlled by the university in cooperation with the local law enforcement agencies surrounding the campus and alternate sites.

Statistics for public property immediately adjacent to the Kent State CPM campus are requested each year from the Independence Police Department.

This report, as well as reports specific to all of Kent State University's other campuses, is available online on the [Public Safety website](#). Printed copies of this report can also be obtained from the CPM Business Office during regular office hours.

Reporting Criminal Offenses

Important Numbers

Police, Fire, Medical Emergencies (24 hours a day, 7 days a week)	911
Independence Police Department Non-emergency (24/7)	216-524-1234
Cuyahoga Co. Sheriff Department Non-Emergency	216-443-6000
Independence Fire Department Non-Emergency	216-524-4001
Poison Control	216-231-4455

CPM Security Office	ext. 7539, or 216-916-7539
Kent State ThreatLine (24/7)	330-672-SAFE http://www.kent.edu/threatline
Title IX Coordinator (reports of sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, stalking; M-F 8-5, non-emergency)	330-672-2038
Counseling Services (CWRU Health Services)	216-368-2450
CPM Office of Student Conduct	440-964-4329

Students, faculty, staff, and the campus community are encouraged to report all crimes and public safety related incidents to Campus Security and/or the appropriate police agency in a timely manner. In some cases, one may be *required* to make such a report, even if the victim of the crime is unwilling or unable to make a report themselves (see the section below regarding confidential or anonymous reporting). Criminal activity or any other emergency on the CPM Campus may be reported 24 hours a day, seven days a week by dialing 9-1-1 to reach the Independence Police Department.

Dialing 9-1-1 is the quickest way to access Emergency Medical Service provided by the Independence Police Department. In addition to the all-purpose 9-1-1 emergency number, students and staff may contact Campus Security about non-emergency matters requiring assistance at on-campus ext. 1-7539.

Kent State University Police Services has also established a violence prevention ThreatLine phone line and website available to all campuses. The ThreatLine does not replace 911 in the case of an immediate emergency, and it is not meant to be a replacement for filing an official report with law enforcement. The ThreatLine provides additional means to communicate information about threats of violence. The phone line and

website are anonymous, toll free and available at any time of day. Individuals with information about violence or threats of violence on campus are encouraged to contact 330-672-SAFE (7233) or <http://www.kent.edu/threatline>. Reportable activities include: threats of physical harm, harassment, information regarding weapons or drugs on campus, or suspicious or disruptive behavior on campus.

Independence Police Department

KSU-CPM is served by the City of Independence Police Department. Criminal incidents are referred to the Independence Police Department, who has jurisdiction on the campus and responds to emergency calls. Reports of criminal activity are referred to the Independence Police Department for investigation.

Campus Security and Law Enforcement

Campus Security consists of an off-duty Independence Police Officer from the hours of 1pm – 12am Monday – Friday, 8am-12am Saturday-Sunday, and for campus special events. Officer's hours are extended to 2am during exam weeks. Officers sign up on a schedule posted at the Independence Police Department. IPD assists the campus in handling all criminal and non-criminal incidents. Other state, county and city

agencies may have concurrent jurisdiction on properties within their geographic areas that are owned or leased by the university. The CPM Campus has no recognized student organizations with off campus locations.

The Campus Security Office maintains an excellent working relationship with the local police and the appropriate authority is contacted to provide investigative services when alleged criminal offenses occur on campus. There is no formal memorandum of understanding (MOU) in place with any of these agencies. The campus community is encouraged at all times to make an accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes that occur on campus to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and to the campus security office.

Campus Security is present and patrol on foot. Security has the authority to ask persons for identification and to determine whether individuals have lawful business at KSU-CPM. KSU-CPM security has the authority to issue parking violation tickets to improperly parked motor vehicles. The Security Officer is available for security escorts by calling ext. 7539 or 216-916-7539 or by visiting the Information Desk in the Rotunda, the officer's after-hours station.

All lost and found items are to be turned into the Information Desk located in the Rotunda. They will be sent from there to the Director of Operations office on the 3rd floor for secure storage until claimed.

A Daily Crime Log listing all alleged and reported campus crimes is maintained by Campus Security. This report is available upon request from the Information Desk in the Rotunda.

Office of Student Conduct

The goal of the Office of Student Conduct is to provide an atmosphere of safety and security for the university. Outlined in the Code of Student Conduct are policies and procedural guidelines that allow students, faculty, staff and visitors to feel safe and secure in their person and property while on campus. Such policies afford individuals a learning environment that is free from persecution and the threat of physical harm. Violations of the Code of Student Conduct may be reported directly to the Office of Student Conduct. The office provides due process hearings of alleged violations of such policies before independent adjudicators. The Office of Student Conduct will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the university against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the crime or offense, the results of the disciplinary hearing will be provided to the victim's next of kin, if so requested. If the complaint involves sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking, as discussed below, the results will be shared with the alleged victim without the need to make a request.

CPM Office of Student Conduct: Assistant Dean's Office, room A118 in Main Hall, or by dialing the Assistant Dean's Office at 440-964-4329.

Confidential or Anonymous Reporting

The ThreatLine, described above, is a mechanism for reporting incidents anonymously. For confidential reporting, reports made to a university employee whose official responsibilities include providing

psychological counseling may be kept confidential when the employee is functioning within the scope of their license or certification as a counselor (Counselors are, however, encouraged to provide information regarding reporting options and support resources). The university cannot promise that any other reports of crimes will remain confidential. University policy 5-16.2 requires all employees to notify police and the Title IX Coordinator of any sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking they are made aware of. Additionally, many employees are considered Campus Security Authorities under the Clery Act. A Campus Security Authority is any employee with significant responsibility for student and campus activities. These employees are expected to disclose to either the Director of Human Resources or the Director of Operations, both located on the CPM campus, any Clery-reportable offenses brought to their attention. Furthermore, the Ohio Revised Code Section 2921.22 requires the reporting of all felonies to law enforcement.

Emergency Response, Notification, and Evacuation Procedures, and Timely Warnings

The goal of Kent State's emergency plans and procedures is to maximize human safety, minimize danger, preserve and protect property and critical infrastructure, and provide for responsible communications with the university community and the public during and after an emergency with the intent to restore normal activities. An emergency is any event or condition that presents: an imminent risk of death, serious injury or illness to the university community; suspension or significant disruption of university operations; significant physical or environmental damage; or significant threat to

the university's financial well-being. Rather than establishing rigid parameters for qualifying an event as an emergency, this definition is intended to emphasize the actual and potential catastrophic effect, the imminent threat and seriousness inherent to emergencies. Other events may produce crises or harmful effects, but an emergency is distinguished by the severity of the threat and its effects, as well as the ongoing threat posed to the university community. The university notifies students, faculty, staff and the public concerning all emergencies, as well as other conditions, that present a potential threat to the public. This notification is communicated through various media and is made as soon as sufficient reliable information becomes available. The university strives to ensure that emergency notification is made responsibly and accurately, however, notification will not be delayed on this account unless notification would compromise efforts to assist victims or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

Emergency assistance should always be sought first by immediately dialing 9-1-1 from any campus phone. This call should then be followed by a report made directly to Campus Security from any intercampus phone by dialing ext.1-7539 to permit proper and immediate notification to be initiated.

Persons authorized to carry out the notification process include: KSUCPM Campus Dean, KSUCPM Director of Human Resources, KSUCPM Director of Operations, and KSUCPM Security Officers.

Once an initial and credible report has been received, notification will be made by available methods such as word-of-mouth, public address systems or other electronic means. Those notified shall include students, faculty, staff, and visitors located on campus at the time of the emergency, and those who

may be in route to the campus, if possible. The Kent State University Police Department will be immediately notified that there is an incident occurring on campus and direction on dissemination of emergency information, when warranted, to the larger community will be directed by a combination of the KSU-CPM and KSU Emergency Response Teams.

If evacuation procedures need to be initiated, established protocol under the “Evacuation” procedures section outlined in the Facility Emergency Response plan made available to university employees will be followed. The Emergency Guide available to the public can be found at <http://www.kent.edu/cpm/campus-safety>.

Emergency Response Team

The KSU-CPM Emergency Response Team (ERT) consists of both administration and staff members with responsibilities involving the four phases of emergency management (Mitigation, Preparedness, Response and Recovery). The ERT is a key factor in formulating and leading the campus response to an emergency. In the event of an emergency, ERT members assess the situation and follow the procedures outlined in the KSU-CPM Emergency Response Plan. Procedures are reviewed annually and a test that includes campus evacuation is conducted at least once a year. Fire drills are held 1-2 times/year. The mass notification system is tested multiple times throughout the year.

In 2015, the ERT conducted a tabletop exercise to test the Emergency Plan and the

campus’ response to a bomb threat. The test was conducted on December 16, 2015 from 2-3pm, and was announced prior to conducting the test.

Timely Warnings

The university is also required to issue “timely warnings” when a crime is reported and considered a serious or continuing threat to the campus community. The Director of Human Resources at KSU-CPM, in conjunction with the KSU Emergency Response Team (ERT), provides information to the community via the following, where applicable:

- Facility Public Address systems
- Flash ALERTS is Kent State’s official emergency text notification system to alert students, faculty and staff of critical information no matter what time it is or where they are in the world. Sign up for this service at www.kent.edu/flashalerts
- Mass email
- Press releases, advisories and/or official statements to media
- Interviews with newspapers, TV and radio stations that send reporters to campus.
- Updates on the Info 3000 message line (330-672-3000).
- Website posts to the university’s home page (www.kent.edu) and advisory page (www.kent.edu/advisory).
- Multiple social media platforms, including Facebook and Twitter

Security of Campus Facilities

Access to Campus Buildings

Each student and staff member has a university photo identification called a “FLASHcard” that may be requested by any security officer, police officer or university staff member to identify authorization for access.

Campus buildings are accessible to faculty, staff, and students using their electronic ID access cards from 6:30am to 12am seven days a week. During exams, the closing hour of 12am is extended to 2am. The campus is a secure campus except for the auto-unlocking of the front Rotunda doors from the hours of 8am-5pm Monday – Friday (“Business Hours”). Faculty, staff, and students are permitted rights to any exterior secure building door at any time during the accessible hours via their electronic student ID unless the building is closed in observance of a national holiday. All campus grounds are inspected regularly. Monthly inspections ensure that all fire equipment and exit lights are functional.

All visitors, including outside building and maintenance contractors, are required to sign in with the Information Desk upon arrival to the campus. Access to buildings, offices and rooms by outside contractors is handled by staff escort. Visitors are required to remain in the Rotunda until they are escorted by the person they are visiting and are escorted back to the Rotunda upon exit of the college.

Crime Prevention and Awareness Programs

Kent State CPM periodically offers programs and procedures to assist in the anticipation, recognition and appraisal of crime risks and so that actions may be initiated to remove or reduce crime risks. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to take an active role in

becoming educated about crime prevention and safety.

- The **Division of Human Resources** offers a number of facilitator-led and online security awareness programs year-round for employees, including:
 - A.L.I.C.E (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) crisis training, offered by the Division of Human Resources in conjunction with the Community Resource Officer, designed to give participants insight and response options when encountering an active shooter. At least 30 sessions are offered to faculty, staff, and students each year.
 - “Preventing Workplace Violence”, an online course that clarifies the nature and scope of workplace violence and identifies some best practices in preventing and identifying potentially violent situations. As it is an online course, it is available at all times to staff and faculty.
 - “Bullying in the Workplace” – This online course on bullying helps participants recognize and proactively address workplace bullying. After completing this course, learners will be able to identify bullying behaviors, distinguish between performance management and bullying, explain the effect bullying has on the workplace and select an appropriate strategy for dealing with a bully.
 - In collaboration with the Office of General Counsel and KSU Police Services, the Division offers annual Campus Security Authority training by webinar to all employees.

- Step Up and Speak Out provides greater awareness of mental health concerns, including risk factors for suicide. This suicide prevention campaign represents a collaborative effort of Kent State University Psychological Services, University Health Services, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, and Police Services and aims to support individuals in need by educating University community members on protocols and resources designed to assist in disruptive situations or with distressed individuals. Visit <http://www.kent.edu/stepupspeakout> for more information, including campus-specific resources. Resource materials are also available around campus.

Crime Prevention Tips

1. Lock your car when parking in a campus lot. Do not leave valuables in plain view in your console or on the seat, i.e. cell phones, loose change, purses, books or anything of value.
2. Don't leave books, purses, laptop computers or book bags unattended in public places including the library, bookstore, the gym, study lounges and computer labs.
3. Mark your books so you are able to identify them if they are stolen.
4. Know where the telephones are located. Know how to dial emergency numbers.
5. Be alert to your environment at all times. Vary your routine, particularly when walking to your car.
6. After evening classes, walk in pairs to your cars; if you cannot find a friend, contact security for an escort.
7. Be suspicious of people you don't know who suddenly appear in an area with which you are unfamiliar.
8. Don't hesitate to report unusual behavior to Campus Security and notify the appropriate personnel if there is any breach of security around campus.
9. Don't listen to or report rumors. Check legitimate news sources for correct information.

Policies and Programming Regarding Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking

Kent State University Policies, Title IX, and VAWA

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender in education programs or activities operated by recipients of federal financial assistance, such as Kent State University. Sexual harassment, which includes sexual assault, is a form of gender discrimination and can limit a student’s ability to participate in, or benefit from, the university’s programs. University policy reflects Title IX, and strictly prohibits unlawful discrimination on the basis of gender, including gender identity.

The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA) amended the Clery Act to require campus programs regarding prevention, awareness,

and response to reports of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. VAWA also requires reporting of crime statistics for those offenses, which are also prohibited by university policy.

The university’s policies regarding prohibition of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, as well as procedures for filing and investigating complaints of such offenses, can be found in Chapter 5, at 5-16 and 5-16.2 of the KSU [Policy Register](#).

The Code of Student Conduct is also a useful resource, as it contains information regarding prohibited student conduct, the student conduct adjudication process and the rights of students (including the rights of victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking). It may be found on the [Office of Student Conduct website](#).

Definitions

The chart below shares University policy definitions, as well as Ohio criminal definitions. When you file a complaint with the university’s Title IX Coordinator, university policy definitions will apply. **The table below contains only portions of the definitions or laws, shortened for inclusion in this table; for complete versions, please see the notated policy or Revised Code citation. Additionally, other Ohio Revised Code sections may apply. The following is provided for informational purposes only and is not intended to serve as legal advice or guidance.**

Term:	Sexual assault
University Policy 5-16.2	a form of sexual misconduct, defined as any intentional sexual touching, however slight, with any body part or object, by a person upon another person, that is without consent.

Definition	
<p>Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Definition</p>	<p>ORC §2907.02 Rape:</p> <p>(A)(1) No person shall engage in sexual conduct with another who is not the spouse of the offender or who is the spouse of the offender but is living separate and apart from the offender, when any of the following applies:</p> <p>(a) For the purpose of preventing resistance, the offender substantially impairs the other person's judgment or control by administering any drug, intoxicant, or controlled substance to the other person surreptitiously or by force, threat of force, or deception.</p> <p>(b) The other person is less than thirteen years of age, whether or not the offender knows the age of the other person.</p> <p>(c) The other person's ability to resist or consent is substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and the offender knows or has reasonable cause to believe that the other person's ability to resist or consent is substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age.</p> <p>(2) No person shall engage in sexual conduct with another when the offender purposely compels the other person to submit by force or threat of force.</p>
	<p>ORC §2907.03 Sexual Battery:</p> <p>(A) No person shall engage in sexual conduct with another, not the spouse of the offender, when any of the following apply:</p> <p>(1) The offender knowingly coerces the other person to submit by any means that would prevent resistance by a person of ordinary resolution.</p> <p>(2) The offender knows that the other person's ability to appraise the nature of or control the other person's own conduct is substantially impaired.</p> <p>(3) The offender knows that the other person submits because the other person is unaware that the act is being committed.</p> <p>(4) The offender knows that the other person submits because the other person mistakenly identifies the offender as the other person's spouse.</p> <p>(5) The offender is the other person's natural or adoptive parent, or a stepparent, or guardian, custodian, or person in loco parentis of the other person.</p> <p>(6) The other person is in custody of law or a patient in a hospital or other institution, and the offender has supervisory or disciplinary authority over the other person.</p> <p>(7) The offender is a teacher, administrator, coach, or other person in authority employed by or serving in a school for which the state board of education prescribes minimum standards pursuant to division (D) of section 3301.07 of the Revised</p>

	<p>Code, the other person is enrolled in or attends that school, and the offender is not enrolled in and does not attend that school.</p> <p>(8) The other person is a minor, the offender is a teacher, administrator, coach, or other person in authority employed by or serving in an institution of higher education, and the other person is enrolled in or attends that institution.</p> <p>(9) The other person is a minor, and the offender is the other person's athletic or other type of coach, is the other person's instructor, is the leader of a scouting troop of which the other person is a member, or is a person with temporary or occasional disciplinary control over the other person.</p> <p>(10) The offender is a mental health professional, the other person is a mental health client or patient of the offender, and the offender induces the other person to submit by falsely representing to the other person that the sexual conduct is necessary for mental health treatment purposes.</p> <p>(11) The other person is confined in a detention facility, and the offender is an employee of that detention facility.</p> <p>(12) The other person is a minor, the offender is a cleric, and the other person is a member of, or attends, the church or congregation served by the cleric.</p> <p>(13) The other person is a minor, the offender is a peace officer, and the offender is more than two years older than the other person.</p>
	<p>ORC §2907.04 Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor:</p> <p>(A) No person who is eighteen years of age or older shall engage in sexual conduct with another, who is not the spouse of the offender, when the offender knows the other person is thirteen years of age or older but less than sixteen years of age, or the offender is reckless in that regard.</p>
	<p>ORC §2907.05 Gross Sexual Imposition:</p> <p>(A) No person shall have sexual contact with another, not the spouse of the offender; cause another, not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with the offender; or cause two or more other persons to have sexual contact when any of the following applies:</p> <p>(1) The offender purposely compels the other person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force.</p> <p>(2) For the purpose of preventing resistance, the offender substantially impairs the judgment or control of the other person or of one of the other persons by administering any drug, intoxicant, or controlled substance to the other person surreptitiously or by force, threat of force, or deception.</p> <p>(3) The offender knows that the judgment or control of the other person or of one of the other persons is substantially impaired as a result of the influence of any drug or</p>

intoxicant administered to the other person with the other person's consent for the purpose of any kind of medical or dental examination, treatment, or surgery.

(4) The other person, or one of the other persons, is less than thirteen years of age, whether or not the offender knows the age of that person.

(5) The ability of the other person to resist or consent or the ability of one of the other persons to resist or consent is substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and the offender knows or has reasonable cause to believe that the ability to resist or consent of the other person or of one of the other persons is substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age.

(B) No person shall knowingly touch the genitalia of another, when the touching is not through clothing, the other person is less than twelve years of age, whether or not the offender knows the age of that person, and the touching is done with an intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, degrade, or arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person.

ORC §2907.06 Sexual Imposition:

(A) No person shall have sexual contact with another, not the spouse of the offender; cause another, not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with the offender; or cause two or more other persons to have sexual contact when any of the following applies:

(1) The offender knows that the sexual contact is offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or is reckless in that regard.

(2) The offender knows that the other person's, or one of the other person's, ability to appraise the nature of or control the offender's or touching person's conduct is substantially impaired.

(3) The offender knows that the other person, or one of the other persons, submits because of being unaware of the sexual contact.

(4) The other person, or one of the other persons, is thirteen years of age or older but less than sixteen years of age, whether or not the offender knows the age of such person, and the offender is at least eighteen years of age and four or more years older than such other person.

(5) The offender is a mental health professional, the other person or one of the other persons is a mental health client or patient of the offender, and the offender induces the other person who is the client or patient to submit by falsely representing to the other person who is the client or patient that the sexual contact is necessary for mental health treatment purposes.

Term: Stalking



University Policy 5-16.2 Definition	engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety, fear for the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress.
Ohio Revised Code Definition	<p>ORC § 2903.211 Menacing by Stalking:</p> <p>(A)(1) No person by engaging in a pattern of conduct shall knowingly cause another person to believe that the offender will cause physical harm to the other person or cause mental distress to the other person.</p> <p>(A)(2) No person, through the use of any electronic method of remotely transferring information, including, but not limited to, any computer, computer network, computer program, or computer system, shall post a message with purpose to urge or incite another to commit a violation of division (A)(1) of this section.</p> <p>(A)(3) No person, with a sexual motivation, shall violate division (A)(1) or (2) of this section.</p>
Term:	Domestic violence
University Policy 5-16.2 Definition	acts of violence or intimidation committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts by law.
Ohio Revised Code Definition	<p>ORC §2919.25:</p> <p>(A) No person shall knowingly cause or attempt to cause physical harm to a family or household member.</p> <p>(B) No person shall recklessly cause serious physical harm to a family or household member.</p> <p>(C) No person, by threat of force, shall knowingly cause a family or household member to believe that the offender will cause imminent physical harm to the family or household member.</p>
Term:	Dating violence
University Policy 5-16.2 Definition	violence or intimidation committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the following factors: the length of the relationship; the type of relationship; and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Ohio Revised Code Definition	Not specifically defined in the Ohio Revised Code
Term:	Consent
University Policy 5-16.2 Definition	the voluntary, unambiguous agreement to participate in an act, the nature of which is known to and understood by the consenter. Consent may be given verbally or nonverbally and may be withdrawn at any time before completion of the act. A person may be incapable of giving consent due to physical incapacitation, physical or mental disability, threat, coercion, the influence of alcohol or drugs, or age.
Ohio Revised Code Definition	Not specifically defined in the Ohio Revised Code

Support Services & Resources for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking:

If you experience sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking:

- Get to a safe place.
- Call a support person. (See below for resources)
- Seek medical attention as soon as possible, if applicable.
- It is important to preserve evidence, as it may be necessary to the proof of a criminal offense or to obtain a protection order. For more information about how to do this, visit the [SRVSS website](#).
- You have the option of reporting the incident to the local law enforcement agency and to the university via the resources below. Reporting parties will receive written notification of these

resources, reporting options, and possible protective measures.

Police Services:

- Police Department- (9-1-1)
- Independence Police Department Non-emergency - 216-524-1234
- Campus Security - ext. 7539, or 216-916-7539

Medical Assistance:

- Marymount Hospital.....216-581-0500

Victim Advocacy:

- **The Office of Sexual & Relationship Violence Support Services (SRVSS):** SRVSS is a resource for victim advocacy by providing education, information, and referral program and services for both male and female victims of sexual misconduct. The SRVSS office can also assist with notification to law enforcement.

Jennie O'Connell, Director
Williamson House, Kent State University



Phone: 330-672-9230, Email:

svss@kent.edu

Website: www.kent.edu/svss

- Cleveland Rape Crisis Center..... 216-619-6192
- Victim Assistance, Cuyahoga County Service Center.....440-576-3662

Counseling:

- CWRU Health Services, 216-368-2450

Other Services:

- **Student Ombuds** – can assist with requested changes to academic, living, working and transportation situations, financial aid issues, and more
Kent Student Center, 330-672-9494
- **Office of Global Education** - Visa and immigration assistance for students
625 Loop Road 106, Van Campen Hall, Kent OH 4424, phone 330-672-7980

University Reporting, Investigation, and Disciplinary Resources:

Title IX Coordinator: The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the university’s response to allegations of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking from students, staff, and visitors to campus. This includes taking prompt, impartial and effective action to stop any harassment or violence, prevent its occurrence, and remedy its effects. The Coordinator has appointed four Deputy Coordinators, who are responsible for investigating reports. As part of an investigation, remedial measures may be available to help stop any alleged harassment and ameliorate its effects. Possible remedial measures can include, but are not limited to, changes in: academic schedule, room

assignment, transportation, working situations, and issuing “No Contact Orders”, if requested and appropriate. These measures are available regardless of whether the victim reports the crime to law enforcement. All allegations of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking will be investigated to the extent consented to by the complainant. If the accused party is a student, a student conduct hearing may be held to determine whether policy 5-16.2 was violated and set appropriate sanctions (see next paragraph). If the accused is an employee, the Coordinator or Deputy will use a preponderance of the evidence standard to determine whether the policy was violated and recommend appropriate sanctions. If the accused is a visitor to campus, a hearing may be held in accordance with the Persona Non Grata policy, 5-12.7. The full procedure for reporting and investigating sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking is in the University Policy Register at 5-16.2. To report these offenses, contact:

Bonita Prewitt, Gender Equity Compliance Officer, Title IX Coordinator
Heer Hall, Phone: 330-672-2038, Email: aa_eo@kent.edu
Website: www.kent.edu/sss

Office of Student Conduct: Alleged violations involving KSU students, employees, and visitors to campus must be reported to the Title IX Coordinator for investigation and may result in a conduct hearing before the university’s Office of Student Conduct if the accused person is a student. The accuser and accused are entitled to have an advisor of their choice present during a disciplinary proceeding, as well as accommodations such as the option to participate via electronic means. The Title IX Deputy who conducted the investigation will be present at the hearing to share any pertinent information from their



investigation with the hearing panel. The hearing panel will use a preponderance of the evidence standard in making its determination (i.e. it is more likely than not that the offense occurred, based on the evidence presented). Hearing panel members, the Title IX Coordinator and Deputies, and officials involved in investigating and administering these procedures are trained annually on these issues, as well as how to conduct an investigation or hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability. Both parties will be informed, in writing, of the outcome of the proceeding and appeal options, and will be notified if the other party appeals and if there is a change in results or final outcome. Possible sanctions following the hearing include, but are not limited to, disciplinary probation, suspension and dismissal.

CPM Student Conduct Office - Assistant Dean's Office, room A118 in Main Hall, or by dialing the Assistant Dean's Office at 440-964-4329

Confidentiality: The university will keep all information pertaining to an investigation as confidential as possible. If the complainant requests that their information not be shared with the accused, the university will honor such a request in so far as is compliant with the law. However, such a request may limit the extent to which the university is able to investigate and respond to the complaint. If the complainant wishes to file a formal complaint with the university, the complainant's name and any written statements submitted will be disclosed to the accused. If the university determines that the safety of the community is at risk, certain confidential information may need to be shared in order to protect the university community. All university employees, with the exception of licensed counselors and medical

personnel, are required to report to the Title IX Coordinator any sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking they are aware of involving the university community. Ohio law also requires that all felonies be reported to the police.

FERPA and Ohio Public Records Law: Ohio Revised Code Section 149.43 defines a public record as "any document, device, or item, regardless of physical form or characteristic... created or received by or coming under the jurisdiction of any public office of the state... which serves to document the organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or other activities of the office." ORC 149.43 further requires that "upon request, a public office or person responsible for public records shall make copies of the requested public record available at cost and within a reasonable period of time." Many of the records kept by the university meet this definition, including many student conduct records. However, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA, 20 USC §1232g) prohibits the release of educational records without the permission of the student, subject to several statutory exceptions. An exception exists for releasing the results of a student conduct hearing regarding a violation that could be considered a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense. The university may release the final results of the conduct process to the victim of the alleged action without permission from the accused student, and regardless of the outcome of the process. If the accused student is found responsible for a policy violation that may also be considered a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense, the university can release the final results of the conduct process to anyone who requests it. The information released may only include the name of the student

found in violation, the policy violated, and the sanction imposed.

Bystander Intervention:

The Green Dot Strategy is a bystander approach for the prevention of power-based personal violence that relies on the power of cultural and peer influence. The strategy targets everyone in the community as agents of change to visible reduce the number of incidents of violence. There are two main components to the approach: a skills-based workshop, and a social marketing campaign. The one-day workshop engages participants through awareness, education and skill practice that seek to establish intolerance of violence as a norm and intervene in high risk situations, resulting in an ultimate reduction of violence. The goal is to equip participants with lots of options for bystander action from directly intervening, to distracting those involved as well as delegating to get help from someone else or the police all in an effort to increase action in the community. By doing so, new norms are introduced that move individuals from passive agreement that violence is wrong, to active intervention. Visit www.kent.edu/greendot for more information, and to register for Green Dot training.

Risk Reduction Strategies:

- **Trust your gut.** If you feel unsafe or uneasy in a situation, always trust your instincts.
- **Go in a group and watch out for your friends.** When you go to a social gathering, go with a group of friends, check in with each other throughout the night, and leave together. Don't be afraid to let your friend know you're worried about his or her safety.
- **Know what and how much you are drinking.** If you choose to drink, be

sure you watch it being poured and keep it with you. Avoid taking drinks from large punch bowls or other open containers where you don't know what was mixed in or how much.

- **Lock your door.** If you live on campus, always lock your door when you leave--even if it is just to go down the hall.
- **Be aware of your surroundings.** Always know where you are and where you could go for help if you were to need it. Stay in areas that are well lit and populated.
- **Carry your cell and some cash.** Before you leave your housing, make sure you have your phone and that it is charged. Also, it is important to carry some cash in case you need cab/bus fare or gas for your car.
- **Avoid putting both headphones in your ears.** This will allow you to be more aware of your surroundings, especially if you are walking alone.

Programming

- Office of Sexual and Relationship Violence Support Services (SRVSS): The SRVSS Office works with the greater university community to provide a comprehensive, collaborative, and victim-centered response to sexual assault, relationship violence and stalking that includes prevention, education, and response/recovery components. The responsibility of the SRVSS Office is to educate the university community, to provide anti-violence programming and support services, and to encourage all community members to speak out when witnessing violence. Specific

educational programs of the SRVSS Office include:

- [Informational website](#) for faculty, staff, and students who may be dealing with sexual assault, relationship violence, and/or stalking and are in need of services, education, or support.
- Green Dot, a bystander prevention strategy, which focuses on addressing power-based personal violence (including sexual assault, relationship violence and stalking) and relies on the power of culture and peer influence as an agent of change in visibly reducing the number of incidents of violence.
- Individualized workshops or training for student groups and organizations, academic and student services, university departments, faculty and staff.
- The Division of Human Resources offers “Title IX & Sexual Misconduct”, an online course is designed to help participants understand sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment and sexual violence, to identify sexual misconduct and encourage reporting sexual misconduct. This course is also a part of orientation for new employees. Additionally, Human Resources has launched a “Beyond Compliance” initiative that provides annual training for Kent State faculty and staff starting in 2014, to ensure they are fully up to date and aware of the relevant laws and university policies related to

discrimination, harassment and violence prevention.

- Partnered with SRVSS office at the Regional Campus Education, Awareness, and Response to Sexual Violence Summit. The purpose was to increase the presence of awareness and education on Kent State's regional campuses related to sexual violence and to ensure that support services are available at our regional campuses according to the individual needs of each location.
- Offers the online course, *Bridges: Building a Supportive Community*. This course is designed to help new faculty & staff understand sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment and sexual violence, to identify sexual misconduct and encourage reporting sexual misconduct.
- Responsible for a campaign including signage, promotional materials and other medium emphasizing reporting options.
- Monthly Title IX facilitator led workshops for faculty, staff and students
- Informational website with information regarding who to contact if faced with sexual assault, intimate partner violence, or stalking along with gender discrimination policy

- Weekly informational advertisements in the Kent Stater Newspaper
- Partnered with HR Benefits for the annual Open Enrollment and Wellness Fairs at the Kent and Regional Campuses. Information was distributed to faculty, staff and students relating to sexual assault, intimate partner violence and stalking
- Sexual assault programming is provided during 1st year Orientation as

well as on a daily basis, in conjunction with Kent State University, on signage posted around campus promoting the "Raise a Red Flag" campaign. Additional programming is available 24 hours a day with CWRU Health Services at 216-368-2450.

Sex Offender Registry

For more information about registered sex offenders near the campus you attend, go to the [Ohio Electronic Sex Offender Registration and Notification website](#).

Drug, Alcohol, and Substance Abuse Policies & Programming

Kent State students are expected to follow local, state and federal laws regarding the possession, use and sale of alcohol. Use of alcohol is permitted only by persons of legal drinking age and only under the express consent of authorized University personnel. University policies governing the use and possession of alcohol are found at 4-04, 4-04.1, and 4-04.101 in [Chapter 4](#) of the Policy Register.

The university has adopted a zero tolerance stance concerning the referral and adjudication of cases involving the possession, use and/or sale of illegal substances.

The [Code of Student Conduct](#) governs student violations of university alcohol and controlled substance policies. Kent State may notify parents of students who are under 21 years of age who have been found responsible for an alcohol or controlled

substance violation. Possible sanctions may include referral to outside counseling agencies and stipulations to attend drug or alcohol abuse education programs.

Campus and Community Drug & Alcohol Abuse Resources

- CWRU Health Services (including counseling)....., 216-368-2450

Programming

- **Healthy Kent:** Alcohol and Other Drugs Task Force: Healthy Kent is a group that fosters campus and community collaboration aimed at reducing the negative impact of alcohol and other drug use in our community. This group makes recommendations for policy and program changes, serves as the lead campus group to collaborate with community resources

to reduce alcohol and other drug-related problems, coordinates the institutional alcohol and other drugs biennial review, and supports efforts of the community to reduce high-risk alcohol and other drug-related negative behavior on and off campus.

- **Division of Human Resources:** IMPACT Employee Assistance and Work/Life Program offers counseling services by licensed professionals to assist employees with problems such

as stress, anxiety, depression, substance abuse, and more.

- In accordance with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, the University’s alcohol and drug abuse programs, standards of conduct, legal sanctions, penalties, and health risks can be accessed at <http://www.kent.edu/studentaffairs/drug-free-schools-and-communities-act>.

Crime Statistics

Below are statistics regarding reported crimes as related to the Kent State College of Podiatric Medicine for the past three calendar years. For national College Crime Statistics information, and a glossary of terms defining the following offenses, visit the [Department of Education’s website](#). *Burglary* is the unlawful entry of structure to commit a felony or theft; *Larceny-theft* is the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another.

Please note that the Kent State CPM has no Clery reportable on-campus student housing or non-campus property.

On Campus Property

Any building or property owned or controlled by the University within the same reasonable contiguous geographic area and used by the University in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the University’s educational purpose.

Reports	2013	2014	2015
Murder	0	0	0
Negligent Homicide	0	0	0
Sex Offenses-Forcible	0	-	-
Rape	*	0	0
Fondling	*	0	0
Sex Offenses-Non forcible	0	-	-
Statutory Rape	*	0	0

Incest	*	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0
Burglary	1	0	0
Arson	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0
VAWA Statistics	2013**	2014	2015
Domestic Violence	*	0	0
Dating Violence	*	0	0
Stalking	*	0	1
Arrest Statistics			
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0
Weapons Possessions	0	0	0
Office of Student Conduct Referrals	2013	2014	2015
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0
Weapons Violations	0	0	0

Public Property

Any public property, including thoroughfares, sidewalks, streets, and parking facilities within or immediately adjacent to campus.

Reports	2013	2014	2015
Murder	0	0	0
Negligent Homicide	0	0	0
Sex Offenses-Forcible	0	-	-
Rape	*	0	0

Fondling	*	0	0
Sex Offense- Non-forcible	0	-	-
Statutory Rape	*	0	0
Incest	*	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0
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Office of Student Conduct Referrals	2013	2014	2015
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0
Weapons Violations	0	0	0

	2013	2014	2015
Unfounded Crimes (not included in statistics above)	**	0	0

* Rape & fondling were included within the crime of “forcible sex offense” in the past, and Statutory Rape and Incest were included in the crime of “non-forcible sex offenses.” Beginning with the 2014 statistics, they are reported separately.

**** Unfounded Crimes and VAWA statistics were not required to be compiled for 2013.**

Hate Crimes:

2015 No Hate Crimes Reported

2014 No Hate Crimes Reported

2013 No Hate Crimes Reported

