



University of Wyoming - February 10, 2017

Timely Warning: UW Receives Anonymous Report of Sexual Assault

(Note: The university is providing this information pursuant to disclosure requirements of the federal Clery Act.)

February 10, 2017 – Late Thursday, the University of Wyoming received an anonymous report of a sexual assault in the residence halls Sunday, Feb. 5. Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to call the UW Police Department at (307) 766-5179 or text keyword UWYO to 847411/TIP411.

Per UW policy, consent is defined as:

A freely and affirmatively communicated willingness to participate in particular sexual activity or behavior, expressed either by words or clear, unambiguous actions.

Behaviors that do not communicate consent include, but are not limited to:

1. Past consent does not imply future consent.
2. Lack of protest or resistance.
3. Consent to engage in sexual activity with one person does not imply consent to engage in sexual activity with another.
4. Silence.
5. Coercion, force, or threat of either invalidates consent.

The following people are unable to give consent:

1. Persons who are asleep or unconscious.
2. Persons who are incapacitated due to the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication.
3. Persons who are unable to communicate consent due to a mental or physical condition.
4. Persons who are under the legal age of consent.

According to the National Institute of Justice, "About 85 to 90 percent of sexual assaults reported by college women are perpetrated by someone known to the victim; about half occur on a date."

The UWPD urges individuals who believe they, or others, have been victims of sexual assault or other crimes to immediately contact their local law enforcement agency. On campus, UWPD may be reached at (307) 766-5179 or text keyword UWYO to 847411/TIP411. The Laramie Police Department may be reached at (307) 721-2526. UW has numerous resources to assist students in response to sexual assault, including:

-- The STOP Violence Program, 106 Knight Hall, 766-3434.

-- The Albany County SAFE Project, 108 Knight Hall, 766-3434, 24-hour hotline: 307-745-2556 www.safeproject.org

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-- The University Counseling Center, 341 Knight Hall, 766-2187. For after-hours emergencies, students can talk to an on-call counselor at 766-8989.

-- Student Health Service, Student Health Building, 766-2130

-- The Dean of Students Office, 128 of Knight Hall, 766-3296.

-- Equal Opportunity Report and Response, Office of Diversity and Employment Practices, Bureau of Mines Room 318, 766-5200.

Why we issue these notices:

The Jeanne Clery Act of 1990 requires all colleges and universities that receive federal funding, including UW, to share information about crimes that occur in or around campus and our efforts to improve campus safety. This information is made publicly available through the university's *Security and Fire Safety Report* accessible [here](#).

We want you to know about serious crimes that occur in and around campus so that you are aware, informed and may take precautions regarding your safety. While UW is a safe campus, serious crimes do happen, and dangerous situations can develop. It is incumbent upon all members of our community to "say something when you see something" to help improve campus safety. You may do so as described [here](#).

Types of notices:

Timely Warnings are disseminated when serious crimes occur or the threat of ongoing criminal acts may be repeated on campus -- for example, a report of a sexual assault that occurred on campus.

Emergency Notifications are disseminated when a significant emergency or dangerous situation exists on campus -- for example, a severe weather emergency such as a tornado warning.

Both notices provide you with guidance to help you protect yourself.

How these notices are issued:

These notices may be received through a UW Alert text message or an email to all members of the university community. Please be certain that you read emails with the subject, **Timely Warning** or **Emergency Notification**, and that you have registered your cellphone [here](#).
