

## Support and Additional Information

If you would like to speak to someone on staff, there are mental health counselors available for support and additional information.

## You Have the Right to...

- ◆ **B**e safe and supported
- ◆ **B**e free from bullying, harassment, and abuse
- ◆ **G**et help if someone bullying, harassing, or abusing you
- ◆ **B**e kept apart from the abuser(s) during an investigation of sexual abuse/harassment
- ◆ **A**sk for help without being punished or retaliated against
- ◆ **R**ecieve free medical care for treatment related to sexual abuse
- ◆ **R**ecieve free and confidential counseling

## Things to Remember

- ◆ **D**on't blame yourself. If someone abuses you, it is not your fault!
- ◆ **I**f you have been sexually assaulted, avoid showering, washing up, using the restroom, changing clothes, and eating or drinking until you have seen a medical professional or investigator. There could be evidence on your body or clothing that can be used if you decide to press charges against your abuser.
- ◆ **I**f you decide not to report the assault right away, or do not want to name the abusers, you can still get medical attention and counseling.

## Local RCC Info

## PCM Info

For information about sexual abuse or harassment, and support:

Just Detention International  
Cynthia Totten,  
CA Attorney Registration  
#199266

3325 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 340  
Los Angeles, CA 90010

## Let's Talk About Safety

**SCDC**  
has  
**ZERO TOLERANCE**  
for  
**Sexual Abuse and Harassment**

## Safety Talk, a Week Later

Hey girl, how's it going?

It's okay...actually can I ask you about something?

Yeah, what's going on?

It's just someone is making me feel really uncomfortable, saying things to me, rubbing my shoulders, you know.

Honey you need to put a stop to that.

I tried but they ain't listening. They just keep telling me how they want to get with me.

You gotta go to somebody that you trust. Tell them somebody is making you feel uncomfortable

Go to staff? The officers here won't believe me and I don't want to get a reputation like that anyway.

Standing up for yourself isn't snitching. Anyway, you can tell anyone that works here or ask someone on the outside — your mom, a friend, or a lawyer — to report it for you.

Really? Well I'll think about it.

## Staff, Contractors, Volunteers, and Inmates Cannot...

- ◆ **I**nappropriately touch you
- ◆ **S**tare at you while you are changing clothes, showering, or using the toilet
- ◆ **M**ake comments or gestures about your body or appearance
- ◆ **M**ake comments or gestures about the way you act or who you are sexually attracted to
- ◆ **T**ease or threaten to harm you because of your body, the way you act, or who you are sexually attracted to
- ◆ **F**orce you to kiss them or to engage in sexual activities with them
- ◆ **B**other or harm you for reporting an incident of sexual abuse or harassment, or for cooperating in an investigation.

*Remember, you don't have to share your name or the name of the person who is hurting you if you don't want to.*

## How Can I Get Help?

- ◆ **F**ile a grievance
- ◆ **F**ile a report to investigations using a kiosk
- ◆ **R**quest to visit medical and ask for help there
- ◆ **A**sk a lawyer, a friend, or family member to request help for you
- ◆ **D**ial \*22 from any inmate phone.
- ◆ **W**rite to South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) at:

P.O Box 21398  
Columbia, SC 29221

## Part 2, a Week Later...

That advice you gave me was really great. I told Jones and they started looking into it. Ever since, they've kept that fool away from me.

That's good but I hope they do more. If it's another inmate, they need to keep an eye on her. If it's staff, then somebody should get fired.

Who knows. They won't tell me everything but they'll let me know when they're done investigating.

That's good. They say anything else?

Yeah, they told me I could see a doctor or counselor or talk to somebody on the outside. But I'm good.

Anyone bothering you about it?

Nah. Most folks don't know. Sounds like they'll keep an eye out though and step in if anyone starts acting crazy.

I'm glad it all worked out.

Thanks for your help. I really appreciate it.

No problem, I'm here for you if you ever need to talk.