"NOTICE TO VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT"
"It is a crime for any person to cause you any physical injury or harm."

As a victim of sexual assault:

- Go to a hospital ASAP and have a forensic medical examination (sexual assault kit examination) performed.
- Seek medical attention to help determine if you have any injuries, help collect evidence within 120 hours, and test for Sexual Transmitted Infections and pregnancy.
- Obtain treatment for post-exposure medication for HIV within 24 to 72 hours.
- As time passes, evidence can be destroyed, so try not to change clothing, shower or bathe.
- Counseling can help you process feelings about the assault and determine your options.

You have the right to:

- For adult victims, obtain a forensic medical examination within 120 hours of the assault to collect potential evidence and receive preventative medications, even if you decide not to make a report to a law enforcement agency. For child victims, there is no time restriction in obtaining a forensic medical examination after the assault.

The attorney general shall make a payment to a victim of sexual assault or on behalf of a victim of sexual assault for the reasonable costs incurred for medical care that is provided to the victim and the payment may not exceed $25,000.

*** See the list below for the nearest SAFE (Sexual Assault Forensic Exam) ready facilities near you.

- Anonymously track or receive updates regarding the status and location of each item of evidence (sexual assault kit) collected in your case. You can track the status and location of your sexual assault evidence collection kit from the time of collection through destruction via Track-Kit. Track-Kit will not provide you with your results, but you may contact your assigned investigator for the results of the forensic part of your exam.

At the time of your forensic medical examination, your medical provider will give you a card with:
  - The Track-Kit URL (https://tx.track-kit.us/)
  - Your Track-Kit barcode, and
  - A temporary password you will use to log in for the first time.

For an investigation or prosecution of a felony offense or conduct constituting a felony offense, the entity responsible for storing the evidence must retain and preserve the evidence for at least 40 years or until the statute of limitations for the offense has expired, whichever timeframe is longer (Texas Code of Criminal Procedures Article §38.433).

- If you so requested, have a sexual assault program advocate present during a forensic medical examination.
• If you so requested, have a sexual assault program advocate or other victim’s representative present during an investigative interview with law enforcement.

• Ask the local prosecutor to file a criminal complaint against the person who assaulted you.

• If a defendant is arrested for a crime against you involving certain sexual crimes, stalking, or trafficking:
  o Request an order for emergency protection to be issued by a magistrate; and
  o Apply to a court for a permanent order to protect you.
  o You cannot be charged a fee by a court in connection with the filing of a protective order.

If you are a victim of Human Trafficking, please call the National Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-373-7888 or text HELP or INFO to BeFree (233733)."

Additional resources for Sexual Assault Victims

Sexual Assault Survivors’ Task Force
Office of the Texas Governor [https://gov.texas.gov/organization/cjd/sastf]

Your Rights as a Survivor
RAAS-Adult_Guide_digital_2.pdf [texas.gov]

Child Advocacy Center (for child victims)
The Bridge-Children’s Advocacy Center [bridgecac.org]

SAFE-Ready Facilities for Child Victims

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