

*You are at a community event, working an information table. A person in their forties approaches you and says they were sexually assaulted as a child.*

What do you say to them? How will you encourage them to seek services with you?

*A supervisor from the local community mental health center calls. A client just disclosed to his caseworker that he was raped three weeks ago. He and the caseworker would like to talk to an advocate.*

How will you start the meeting with them? What will you say to him?

*You have been providing advocacy to a teen survivor. One day, she brings in her best friend. The friend is visibly upset and uncomfortable. Your client tells you that her friend needs you, and then urges her friend to tell you what's wrong.*

How do you put the friend at ease? What will you tell her about services and about disclosures?

*You hear from community gossip that a few community college students were sexually assaulted at a local bar over the last several months. None of the survivors has called you, and you do not know whether they have received any services. (Assume that one of your coworkers is working on a prevention plan. You are trying to get information about services to survivors.)*

To whom will you reach out with information about services? What will you tell them about your services?

*During the course of your conversation, a shelter guest vaguely mentions something about her grandpa touching her when she was little. But then she stops and begins to apologize for taking up your time with this because, “oh, you don’t want to hear this! I can’t believe I said anything. I’m sure this isn’t what you came to work to talk about.”*

What do you say to help her feel comfortable discussing it? How do you show her that you are open to the conversation?