**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS**

Regardless of what the allegations are, all students have the right to:

- A no-contact order, which prohibits university members from direct/indirect communication.

- Discuss options for a judicial restraining order or harassment prevention order through an off-campus district court, and/or pursue criminal charges.

- Alternative housing options.

- Transportation to local hospitals or area courts.

- Academic support, schedule changes, and/or other academic remedies.

- Employment support, job assignment, work schedule, and/or work remedies.

- Exploration of emergency or medical leave, if appropriate.

- Confidential medical care and counseling on or off-campus.

**CONTACT THE CRA**

CRAs meet with students virtually. To request a meeting, complete this confidential service request form using your Northeastern log in: [bit.ly/svrequestrform](https://bit.ly/svrequestrform)

- Monday - Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm EST
- open@northeastern.edu
- @nuhealthandwellness
- studentlife.northeastern.edu/open

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**CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCE ADVISORS**

Services for Northeastern students who have been accused of sexual violence or who have concerns about beliefs and behaviors that could lead to harm.
WHAT IS A CRA?

The Office of Prevention and Education at Northeastern's (OPEN) Confidential Resource Advisors (CRA) provide free, confidential, non-judgmental, restorative-informed services for Northeastern students or organizations who have been accused of any form of sexual violence and/or who have concerns about beliefs and behaviors that could lead to harm.

WHAT DOES A CRA DO?

CRAs Do...

- Connect students to campus partners to establish interim remedies available (i.e., no-contact orders, housing changes, academic support)
- Provide referrals for ongoing counseling and/or legal services
- Accompany students through a University process
- Explain Northeastern's policies, reporting and investigative processes
- Determine what resources could be useful to meet student's needs and expedite connections
- Facilitate educational conversations around sexual violence
- Explore belief/behavior change, accountability, and making amends

CRAs Do Not...

- Make judgments or assumptions about students and/or incidents
- Tell students what to do or not to do
- Speak with others about a case unless required and/or requested by the student with a signed release
- Know what the outcome of a case will be
- Speak on behalf of a student during a process

WHAT SHOULD YOU CONTACT A CRA?

A student can contact a CRA at any point they would like to. CRAs encourage students to connect early so that they are not alone in navigating an accusation and/or process and to give ample time to connect to on- or off-campus resources of interest.

WHEN SHOULD YOU CONTACT A CRA?

A student does not need to do anything to prepare for a meeting with a CRA. They can share as much or as little information as they want and can simply set up a meeting to learn about on and off-campuses resources.

HOW SHOULD YOU PREPARE FOR A MEETING WITH A CRA?

A student does not need to do anything to prepare for a meeting with a CRA. They can share as much or as little information as they want and can simply set up a meeting to learn about on and off-campuses resources.

DOES A CRA PROVIDE THERAPY OR LEGAL ADVICE?

CRAs do not provide therapy or legal advice, however they can help students connect to these services if interested.

WHAT IF I HAVE CONCERNS BUT HAVEN'T BEEN ACCUSED?

If you have any concerns about beliefs or behaviors that could lead to harm, CRAs offer a non-judgmental and confidential space to explore your options. Students can discuss their experiences, identify their goals, and discuss ways to reduce risk of harm.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Confidential means that all OPEN staff, including CRAs, will not share disclosures of sexual violence with the Office for University Equity & Compliance (Title IX), or anyone else, without a student's written permission to do so. Other confidential resources at Northeastern include:

- University Health & Counseling Services
- Spiritual Advisors in the Center for Spirituality, Dialogue & Service.