

# SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS LINE

24 hour free call crisis support line

**1800 806 292**

Police/emergency service providers  
(after hours only)

**(03) 8345 3494**

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*Everyone has the right to be  
safe and live free from violence.*

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# The Victorian Sexual Assault Crisis Line (SACL) is the statewide, confidential telephone crisis service for anyone who has experienced past or recent sexual assault.

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SACL operates after hours from 5pm to 9am weeknights and 24/7 weekends and public holidays. During business hours calls to the crisis line divert to the nearest Centre Against Sexual Assault (CASA).

SACL provides:

- » telephone crisis counselling, support and advocacy to people who have experienced sexual assault
- » co-ordination of an afterhours crisis care response for victims of recent sexual assault
- » information about the impacts and misconceptions surrounding this crime
- » referrals to appropriate services for ongoing support
- » information to non-offending family and friends
- » professional consultation.

## Sexual assault

Sexual assault is any unwelcome sexual behaviour which makes you fearful, uncomfortable, intimidated, or threatened. It can include a range of behaviours from unwanted touching and sexual harassment through to rape. It is sexual contact that you have not consented to.

Sexual assault is a crime. Victims/survivors of sexual assault are never to blame.

If you have been sexually assaulted within the last two weeks, SACL can:

- » coordinate an immediate face to face response with your nearest Centre Against Sexual Assault (CASA) crisis worker. This will take place in a private and safe place called a crisis care unit
- » provide telephone information and support about your legal rights and medical options.