

Does the assailant still pose an immediate threat to the student or others?

YES **EMERGENCY HELP**

Is assailant still in vicinity and a possible risk to others?
Does the student need emergency medical help?

On Campus: 02476 522222 or internal ex 22222 (University Security)
Off Campus: call 999

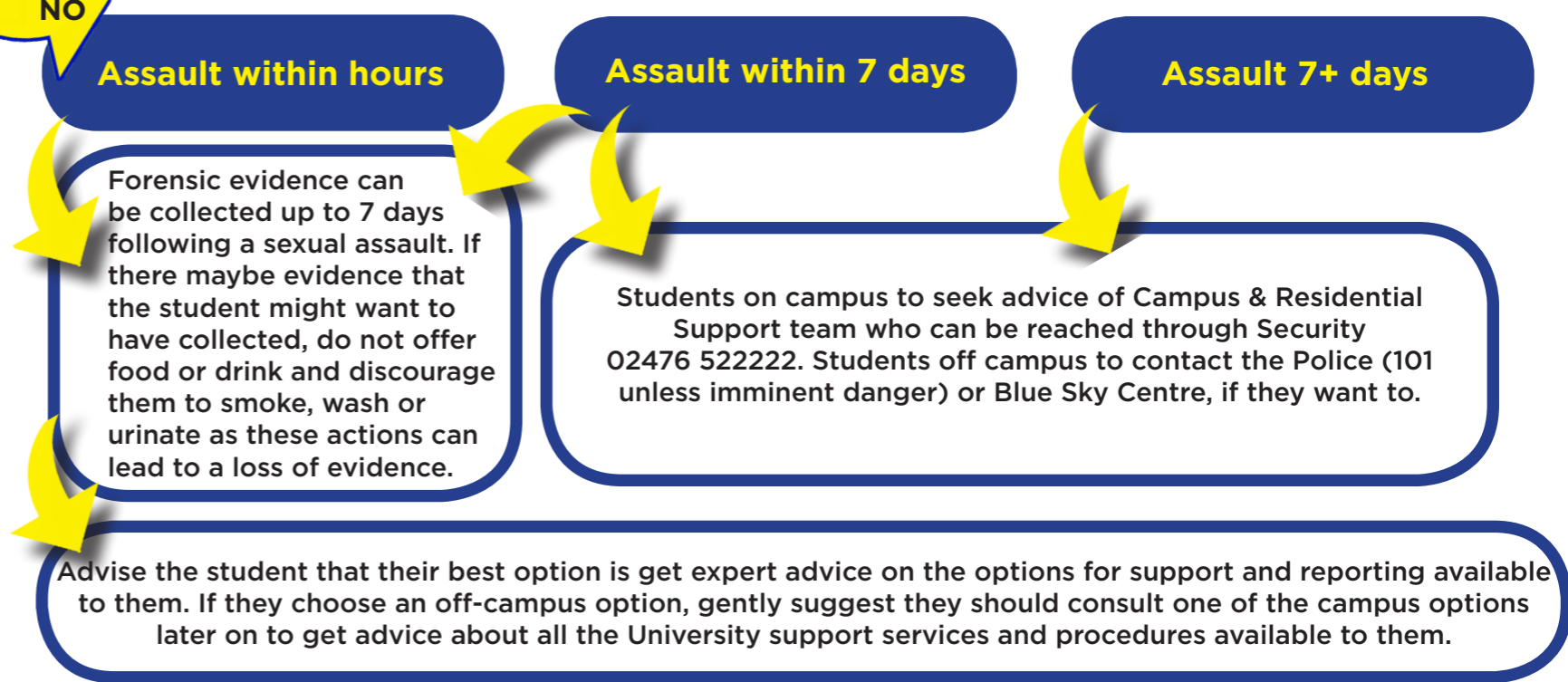
Note: if you call the 999 number for the emergency services to come to the campus, you should also call 02476 522222 to alert University Security of the problem. They will then be ready to escort the emergency vehicle to the required place on campus.

If there is no immediate risk, DO NOT call the police or ambulance service without the explicit consent of the student concerned (unless under 18yrs)

Guidance for advisors/other frontline staff to whom the student discloses

1. Take student to a warm, quiet, safe space - where you will not be interrupted - after first informing a colleague .
2. You may feel that the police should be called, especially if the student is harmed, but this is not your choice unless there is obvious risk to the student or others.
3. If the student is accompanied, check this person is still welcome. Would the student prefer to speak to someone of a different gender?
4. Do not make detailed notes, just a record of the date, time, name of student, alleged perpetrator & record of support offered. Memories may be fragmented and reinterpreted. Any account could be used by police/courts at a later date.
5. Listen to the student without overreacting or asking questions - your role is to support, not to investigate or to counsel at this stage. Any suspicion of coaching/influencing/interpreting their account can be detrimental to a future case.
6. Allow them time to talk. Concentrate on what they are saying, not on what you are going to say/do.
7. Give student options leaflet and go through it with them. Make it clear to them that they do not have to disclose their circumstances to the police.
8. Does student need emergency alternative accommodation?
(Warwick Accommodation **02476 523772**)
9. If the assailant is another Warwick student, the University may take disciplinary action. To explore what the University can do, contact Wellbeing Support Services: Tel: **02476 575570** (int 75570) email: studentsupport@warwick.ac.uk
10. If assault/abuse happened some time ago, it may be appropriate to make an immediate referral to the University Counselling Service **02476 523761** (int ex: 23761)
11. There are many aspects to advising someone on what support is right for them, so it is important that they receive specialist advice and support either on or off campus.

**Ask the student what they want to do:
Do not make assumptions and do not act without their consent**



On Campus

Wellbeing Support Services :
Tel: 02476 575570 (int 75570)
Email: studentsupport@warwick.ac.uk

SU Advice Centre: Tel: 02476572824
Email: advice@warwicksu.com

Off Campus

Blue Sky Centre (24hrs 7days a week)
02476 865505
Email: geh-tr.theblueskycentre@nhs.net

1 **OPTIONS FOR THE STUDENT**

Student wants to report to police; call 101 if no immediate danger

The police have specialist officers who will help you through the reporting and gathering of any forensic evidence.

Student may want to take a friend & change of clothes. Photo of scene/bedding/ used condom should be preserved in plastic bag if relevant. Student can opt out of police reporting at any stage without losing forensics.

2 **Student unsure whether to report to police**

If within 7 days, student can go to the Blue Sky Centre so that forensic evidence can be preserved for a future decision.

Take evidence in plastic bag. Take friend and clothes. External advocacy and advice for recent or historical sexual violence can be accessed from: www.blueskycentre.org.uk/useful-links/ or by contacting CRASAC Tel: **02476 277777** Email: helpline@crasac.org.uk In office hours, see GP or at other times call 111 for non-emergency medical help.

3 **Student does not want to report to police or it is past the 7 day deadline for forensics**

The student can contact the Blue Sky Centre for advice on whether they need any medical tests e.g. for sexually transmitted infections (STIs), practical and emotional support. This support may be via referral to an Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA).

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