Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Report Confidentiality Policies and Procedures

Confidentiality Policy and Procedures: Your privacy is very important to Bowie State University and we will do everything we can to protect your information and privacy. Please read this information carefully. We will ask you to sign a copy for our records, and you will be given a copy to keep.

All contacts with a campus security authority are confidential, with a few exceptions. This means that s/he do not share information about your contact with ANYONE without your written permission, except in the specific situations noted below.

The following are possible exceptions to absolute confidentiality, as required by law:

- 1. *When I am under the age of 18.
- 2. When I have given written permission to release personal information to specified individuals or agencies.
- 3. When there is a court order, signed by a duly appointed or elected judge, for release of my records (subpoena).
- 4. When campus security authority assess an imminent danger to myself or others (for example, suicide or homicide).
- 5. In the following two instances a report will be made to appropriate state agency, as required by law: 1. When I am suspected of abusing children or other vulnerable individuals; 2. When I am under the age of 18 and report that I was physically or sexually abused.
- 6. Basic anonymous statistical information about use of services and demographics for reporting and planning purposes.
- 7. Anonymous reporting about the type and location of specific violent crimes (e.g. sex offenses) if it occurred on campus or on university owned or operated property (as required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act). Note: names and other identifying information are not included in these reports.

Your acknowledgement:

Signature

1.	*I am at least 18 years of age.
2.	I have read the above information and understand the limits of confidentiality for services with
	the applicable University personnel and/or office.

Date