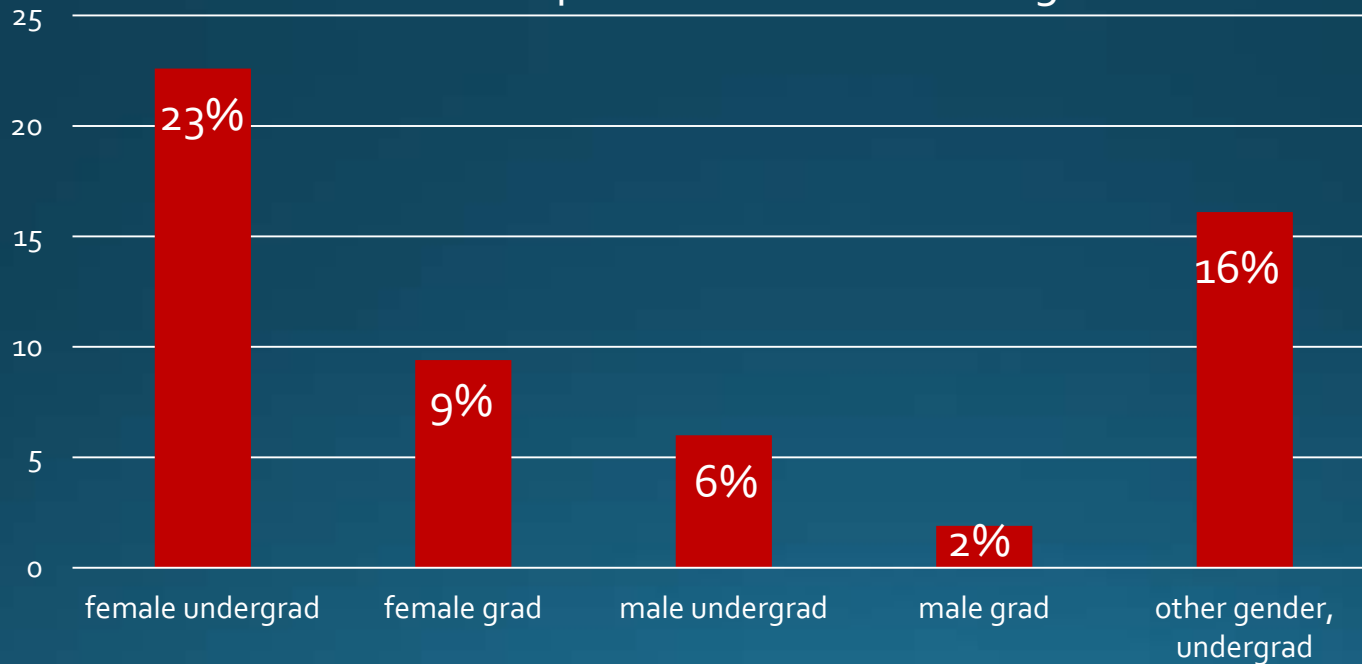


# Sexual violence is an issue everywhere, including Cornell.

Students who have experienced sexual assault by force or incapacitation since entering Cornell.\*



\* 2015 Campus Climate Survey, [share.cornell.edu](http://share.cornell.edu)



“Cornell University will not tolerate sexual abuse, rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, intimate partner violence, stalking, sexual coercion, or other forms of sexual violence by or against students, staff, faculty, alumni or visitors.”

“We share the responsibility for creating a safer, more caring campus culture in which bias, harassment, and violence have no place—and every member of our community is free to flourish.”

# Affirmative Consent

**Affirmative consent** is a knowing, voluntary, and mutual decision among all participants to engage in sexual activity.

Consent can be given by words or actions, as long as those words or actions create clear permission regarding willingness to engage in the sexual activity.

Silence or lack of resistance, in and of itself, does not demonstrate consent. The definition of consent does not vary based upon a participant's sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

(Cornell University Policy 6.4.)

**Affirmative consent is enthusiastic, freely given, and may be revoked at any time.**



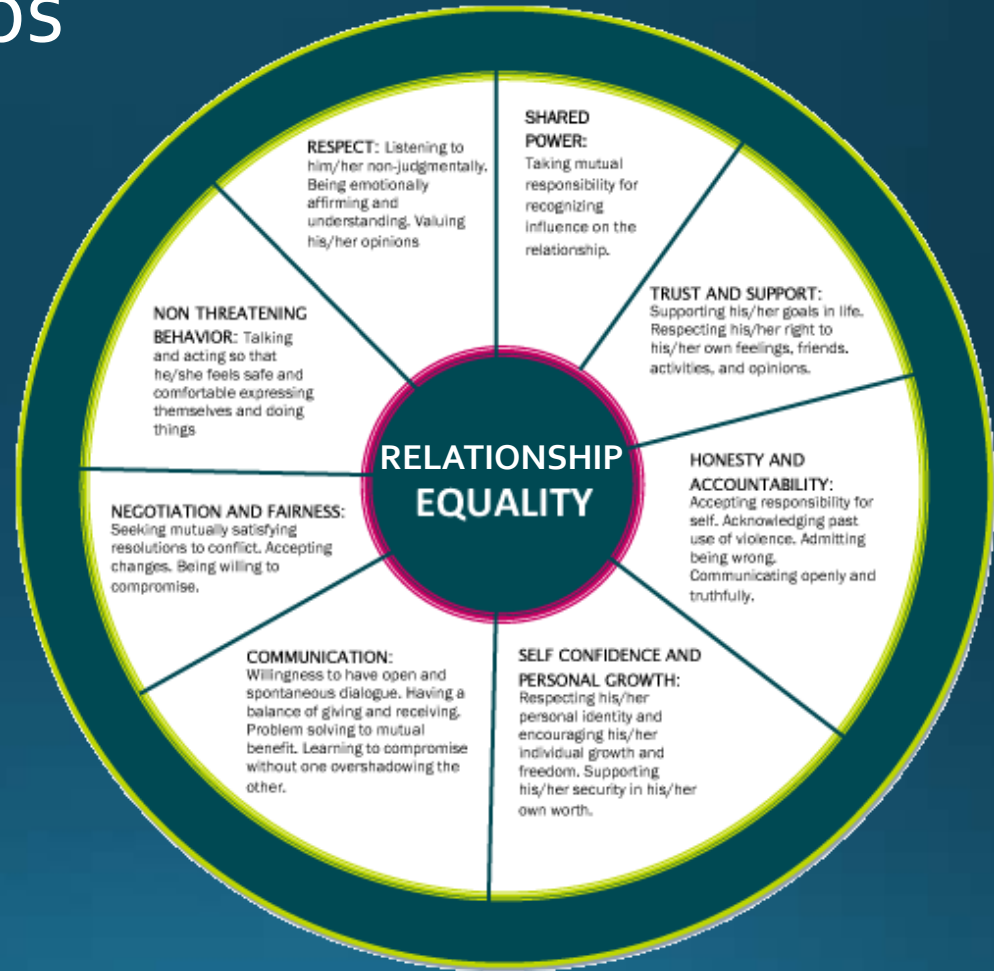
Yes! = Consent is enthusiastic, freely given, and current



Unsure, incapacitated or sleeping, silence, and any other non-enthusiastic confirmation do not equal consent.

# Signs of Healthy Relationships

- Compromise
- Support
- Own friends, hobbies, and interests
- Equality
- Honesty
- Encouragement
- Mutual respect
- Friendship
- Reliability
- Choices and Options
- Fun and laughter
- Intimacy
- Kindness
- Open communication
- Feeling safe
- Accountability
- Productive conflicts and disagreements



# Understanding Sexual Violence at Cornell



# How to support a friend

*(after sexual assault or abuse)*

- Believe what you are told; offer support.
- Understand that there is a wide variety of ways in which someone may respond to having experienced sexual violence.
- Ask what they need.
- Provide options, rather than tell them what to do or who to contact.
- Don't ask questions that imply judgment or fault (e.g., "were you drinking?" or "why didn't you just leave?")
- You don't need the details of the incident; learn enough to help direct them to appropriate options and resources.
- Know what campus resources are available.

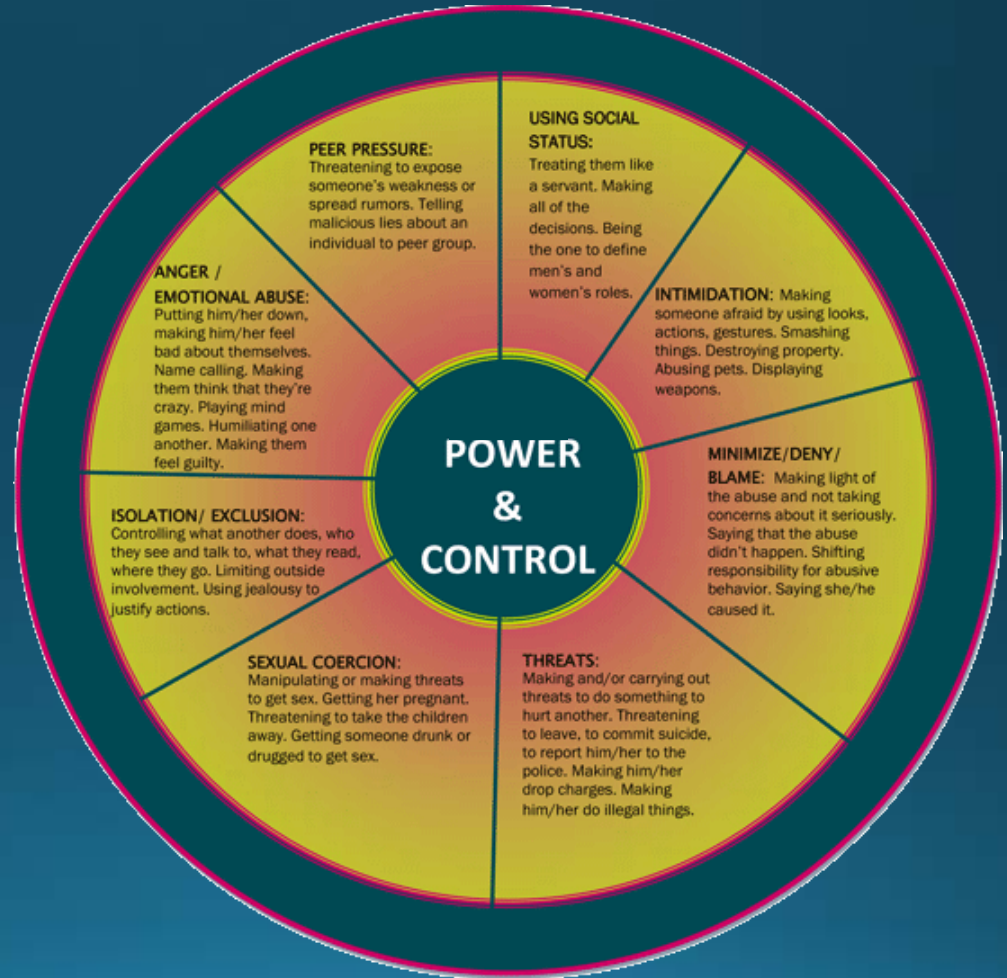


When someone is sexually assaulted, they most often disclose their experience to a trusted friend.



# Signs of Unhealthy Relationships

- Feeling anxious around the other person
- Feeling trapped
- Lying
- Controlling behavior
- Mistrust
- Isolation
- Overly jealous behavior
- Lack of choices and options
- Isolation
- Stalking
- Manipulation
- Emotional or physical abuse

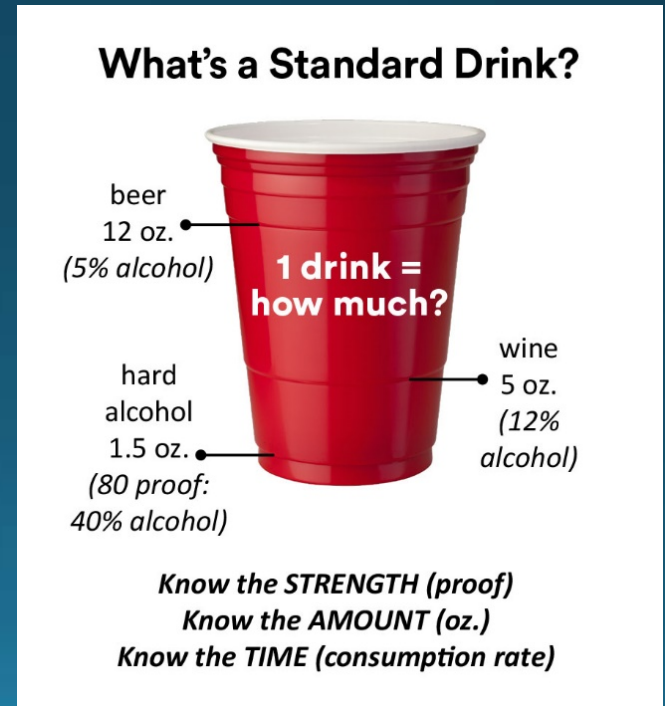


# Incapacitation

If someone has had enough alcohol or other drugs to impair their decision-making skills, they may not have the capacity to consent.

## Signs of intoxication & incapacitation:

- slurring
- stumbling
- spilling drinks
- sleepiness
- sleeping
- passed out
- unconscious





# Resources

There are many resources available to support survivors  
(and friends/partners of survivors)  
at Cornell & in the Ithaca Area.

## *Resources at Cornell*

- **Cornell Health** medical care & counseling services: 607-255-5155 (24/7); [health.cornell.edu](http://health.cornell.edu)
- **Victim Advocate Program**; 607-255-1212; [victimadvocate@cornell.edu](mailto:victimadvocate@cornell.edu)
- **Cornell Police**: 607-255-1111 or, in an emergency, dial **911**
- **Sexual Harassment & Assault—Response & Education**: [share.cornell.edu](http://share.cornell.edu)
- **Title IX Office**: [titleix.cornell.edu](http://titleix.cornell.edu)
- **Other support at Cornell:**
- **Asian & Asian American Resource Center**: 607- 255-5648; [aaac@cornell.edu](mailto:aaac@cornell.edu)
- **Center for Intercultural Dialogue**: 607-255-3693; 626 Thurston Avenue
- **EARS Peer Counseling for students**: 607-255-EARS (3277)
- **LGBT Resource Center**: 607-254-4987; [lgbtrc@cornell.edu](mailto:lgbtrc@cornell.edu)
- **Women's Resource Center**: 607-255-0015; [wrc@cornell.edu](mailto:wrc@cornell.edu)

## *Resources in Ithaca area*

- **Advocacy Center of Tompkins County**: support, advocacy, and resources: 607-277-5000 (24/7)
- **Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner(SANE) Program** at Cayuga Medical Center (CMC)'s Emergency Department: 607-274-4411

## *State & national resources*

- **NY State Domestic & Sexual Violence Hotline**: 800-942-6906 (English); 800-942-6908 (Spanish)
- **National Sexual Assault Hotline**:
  - Phone hotline: 800-656-HOPE (4673)
  - Online hotline (live chat): [online.rainn.org](http://online.rainn.org)
- **National Domestic Violence Hotline**: 800-799-SAFE (7233)

## *Additional resources for male survivors*

- **[1in6.org](http://1in6.org)**: (24/7) online support for men, and childhood sexual assault/abuse
- **[malesurvivor.org](http://malesurvivor.org)**: online chat room and 24/7 phone resources (for men & boys)