

Tab 1 Q&A

Q. Will my PII be shared?

A. No/Yes

Restricted report- Only date, time, unit will be reported to the chain of command

Unrestricted reporting- Details of the incident are limited to personnel with a legitimate need to know.

Q. What does SAFE stand for?

A. Sexual Assault Forensic Exam also known as a Rape Kit.

The purpose of the sexual assault forensic medical exam is to assess a victim's health care needs, coordinate treatment of any injuries and collect evidence for potential use during case investigation and prosecution.

For more information regarding the Sexual Assault Forensic Exam please visit the WV Foundation for Rape Information and Services.

<http://www.fris.org/ForensicMedicalExam/WhatisExam.html>

Q. I have been sexually assaulted and my assailant is a part of my unit; can one of us be transferred?

A. Yes.

ONLY if an unrestricted report has been made YOU can request a transfer for yourself not for the assailant. If you have filed a restricted report in order to request an expedited transfer you must change your reporting option to an unrestricted report

A request for a temporary or permanent transfer from their assigned command or base, or to a different location within their assigned command or base. The Service members shall initiate the transfer request and submit the request to their commanding officers (COs). The commanding officer shall document the date and time the request is received and must reply within 72 hours

A presumption shall be established in favor of transferring a Service member (who initiated the transfer request) following a credible report of sexual assault. The CO, or the appropriate approving authority, shall make a credible report determination at the time the request is made after considering the advice of the supporting judge advocate, or other legal advisor concerned, and the available evidence.

Q. I believe a fellow soldier has been assaulted; what can I do?

A. Talk to your friend/colleague do not force them into telling you anything. Be supportive, make sure they know their reporting options and encourage them to file a report.