STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
DOWNSTATE MEDICAL CENTER

UNIVERSITY POLICE / PUBLIC SAFETY
“WORKING FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY”
Dear Member of the Downstate Medical Center

The University Police / Public Safety Department would like to welcome you to Downstate Medical Center. Our Department is committed to providing a safe and secure environment. To this end, the Center has developed a series of policies and procedures designed to assure that proper precautions are taken to protect persons and property on the campus. All members of the campus community, including faculty, staff and students, are responsible for following a number of security measures to ensure that they and their possessions are adequately protected, we request your cooperation in this matter.

The Department operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, not only for your protection but also to provide any assistance you might need. Please feel free to call us any time at 718-270-2626 or visit our office on the first floor of the University Hospital, Room A1-339.

Once again, welcome to Downstate Medical Center.
The Downstate Medical Center University Police / Public Safety Department prepares and publishes an annual security report which complies with the Crime Awareness on Campus Security Act – better known as the Clery Act. This report outlines our crime reporting policies and procedures, as well as our response to those incidents. It also includes some of the security initiatives and services provided by the University Police / Public Safety Department in order to provide for the safety and security of our faculty, staff, students, patients and visitors. There are institutional policy statements on access to the campus facilities and residence halls, the enforcement and arrest / authority of University Police personnel, our working relationship with local police agencies, and recommended security precautions. It further delineates steps to be taken in the event someone is the victim of a sexual offense and includes crisis intervention contact numbers.

The security report also lists crime statistics for the previous three years in specified categories as required by the Clery Act. The report is available online at http://www.downstate.edu/police/report.html

Printed copies are available upon request. You may contact the University Police Administrative office, 450 Clarkson Ave, Box 1201, Brooklyn, New York 11203 or call 718-270-3161.

Remember that timely reporting of any incident can help to prevent crime. Please call (718)270-2626 whenever you observe conditions which cause you concern on or near campus.
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AWARENESS MESSAGE

We in the University Police/Public Safety Department provide the following information in the hope that it will help strengthen our vital partnership with you. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with our many services and take advantage of them, when possible.

ESCORT SERVICE

Escort service is an unscheduled service designed to move faculty, staff and students at off-peak hours to local destinations (i.e., Residence Halls, KCH, UH to the garage, etc.) is available from 11:00 PM to 5:00 AM and on holidays and weekends. To obtain this service, please call Ext. 2626 and explain your request.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

Shuttle service is a daily service for all faculty, staff and students. The service is available Monday through Friday (holidays excluded) per the following schedule:

From 5:00 AM to 2:45 PM shuttle service is available for our off-campus parking facilities to the HSC. Your Downstate ID card must be presented to access this service.

From 3:00 PM to 10:45 PM a shuttle bus will depart every 15 minutes from both UH and HSEB to the following locations:

- Beneficial Fund Parking Lot
- Subway at Nostrand and Winthrop
- 711 Parkside Avenue
- 323-359 Clarkson Avenue
- 225 Clarkson Avenue
- Church and Nostrand Avenues

After 11:00 PM Escort Service is available upon demand.
IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Identification cards are issued by the University Police ID Card Office located at 811 New York Avenue. Hours of operations are Monday through Friday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Telephone: 718-270-4600

PARKING OFFICE

The University Police Parking Office is located at 811 New York Avenue. Hours of operations are Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Telephone: 718-270-3163

INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Investigation Unit encourages you to report all crimes and suspicious incidents in order for the Investigators to conduct follow-up investigations. A liaison is maintained with the NYC Police Department’s 67th and 71st Precincts.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

Main University Police/Public Safety Office: Ext. 2626
Chief of Police: Ext. 3161
Parking Office: Ext. 3163
Investigations Unit: Ext. 3067
FOR YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY

ON THE STREET –

▸ AVOID WALKING ALONE AT NIGHT
▸ IF YOU MUST WALK ALONE, MOVE ALONG BRISKLY AND CONFIDENTLY
▸ WALK IN WELL LIGHTED AREAS
▸ DON’T STOP TO GIVE DIRECTIONS OR TIME OF DAY TO STRANGERS
▸ WALK NEAR THE CURB, AWAY FROM ALLEYS, ENTRYWAYS AND BUSHES WHERE SOMEONE COULD BE HIDING
▸ BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS. IF A SITUATION FEELS UNCOMFORTABLE IT MAY BE DANGEROUS
▸ IF YOU FEAR DANGER, SCREAM LOUDLY TO ATTRACT ATTENTION
▸ IF SOMEONE SUSPICIOUS IS BEHIND YOU OR AHEAD OF YOU CROSS THE STREET, IF NECESSARY, CRISSCROSS FROM ONE SIDE TO ANOTHER, BACK AND FORTH. DON’T BE AFRAID TO RUN
▸ DON’T WEAR EARPHONES WHILE WALKING
▸ KEEP PHONES, SMARTPHONES, ETC CONCEALED
▸ DON’T DANGLE PURSE AT ARMS LENGTH, HOLD CLOSE TO THE CHEST AREA
▸ DON’T CARRY LARGE SUMS OF MONEY, CONSPICIOUS JEWELRY OR OTHER VALUABLES. DIVIDE YOUR MONEY AMONG YOUR BAG, POCKETS AND ON YOUR PERSON
▸ IF YOU ARE BEING HARASSED BY OCCUPANTS OF A VEHICLE TURN AROUND AND WALK IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION
TRAVEL SAFETY –

THE NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM IS THE WORLD’S LARGEST TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND PRESENTS UNPARALLELED OPPORTUNITIES FOR CRIME. YOU CAN AVOID MOST CRIMES BY BEING AWARE AND TAKING THESE SIMPLE PRECAUTIONS:

► DON’T STAND AT THE EDGE OF THE PLATFORM
► DURING NON-RUSH HOURS RIDE THE CENTER OF THE TRAIN NEAR THE CONDUCTOR’S POSITION OR IN THE FRONT CAR NEAR THE MOTORMAN
► DON’T INVITE TROUBLE BY NEEDLELESS DISPLAY OF JEWELRY. KEEP CHAINS OUT OF SIGHT, TURN RINGS AROUND SO STONES ARE ON THE PALM SIDE OF YOUR HAND
► CARRY YOUR WALLET IN AN INSIDE COAT OR SIDE TROUSER POCKET. NEVER IN THE REAR TROUSER POCKET
► BEWARE OF LOUD ARGUMENTS OR COMMOTION. INCIDENTS CAN BE STARTED TO DISTRACT YOU WHILE YOUR POCKET IS PICKED
► IF YOU CARRY A HANDBAG, KEEP A PRIM GRIP ON THE BAG. IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF A PURSE SNATCH, DO NOT FIGHT TO HOLD ONTO YOUR BAG, ESPECIALLY IF THERE IS A WEAPON INVOLVED
► TO PREVENT OTHERS FROM KNOWING HOW MUCH MONEY YOU ARE CARRYING, HAVE EXACT CHANGE READY TO PURCHASE A METROCARD

COMING HOME LATE AT NIGHT –

► AVOID SHORTCUTS THAT ARE NOT WELL TRAVELED OR WELL LIT
► KNOWING WHICH STORES ARE OPEN IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD LATE AT NIGHT. IF YOU SUSPECT YOU’RE BEING FOLLOWED, STAY AWAY FROM DESERTED BLOCKS AND HEAD FOR A STORE THAT YOU KNOW TO BE OPEN
► IF SOMEONE DROPS YOU OFF AT HOME BY AUTO, ASK THE DRIVER TO WAIT UNTIL YOU ARE SAFELY INSIDE
IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF A RAPE –

1. REPORT CRIME IMMEDIATELY TO POLICE – DIAL 911

2. DO NOT WASH OR DOUCHE

3. HAVE A MEDICAL TEAM EXAM AND INTERNAL GYNECOLOGICAL EXAM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ACCOMPANIED BY A POLICE OFFICER PREFERABLY
   A. INFORM DOCTOR OF EXACT ACTS COMMITTED UPON YOU AND HAVE A NOTE MADE OF ANY MEDICAL EVIDENCE OF THEM
   B. SEMEN SMEARS MUST BE TAKEN BY THE DOCTOR
   C. DOCTOR SHOULD NOTE ANY BRUISES OR INJURIES EXTERNAL OR INTERNAL
   D. HAVE THE DOCTOR TEST FOR VENEREAL DISEASES

4. INFORM POLICE OF ALL DETAILS OF THE ATTACK AND ANYTHING UNUSUAL YOU MIGHT HAVE NOTED ABOUT THE ATTACKER.

5. GIVE UNDERGARMENTS TO THE POLICE FOR SEMEN ANALYSIS

6. GIVE ANY TORN OR STAINED CLOTHING TO THE POLICE

7. WHEN CALM, MAKE NOTE OF EVENTS OF THE ATTACK, UNUSUAL DETAILS, ETC.

WHAT CAN HELP –

➤ GETTING HELP AND SUPPORT IF YOU HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF RAPE

➤ UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU ARE THE VICTIM AND HAVE NOTHING TO FEEL ASHAMED ABOUT

➤ FIGHTING BACK SKILLFULLY AND CALLING FOR HELP WORKS BETTER STATISTICALLY THAN PLEADING WITH THE RAPIST