### TITLE IX RIGHTS AND OPTIONS

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is a federal law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any federally funded education program. Employees, in their role under Title IX, are required to report all incidents of sexual violence and other sexual discrimination to the College. Additionally, "Responsible Employees" are required to advise students of their right to file a complaint with the College, regardless of their desire to pursue an investigation with law enforcement. You may do so by contacting:

Cathy Johnson

Executive Director of Conduct, Appeals and Compliance Title IX/504/ADA Coordinator

80 Cohen Walker Drive Room A-136 Warner Robins, GA 31088

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#### CLERY/VAWA VICTIMS' RIGHTS AND OPTIONS

When a student or employee reports being the victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whether on or off campus, the following options will be provided.

### 1. If dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has occurred:

- Get to a safe place
- Report the incident
  - Emergencies: Call 911
  - College Police/Security

Warner Robins Campus	(478) 988-6993
Macon Campus	(478) 757-3453
Milledgeville Campus	(478) 445-2350
VECTR Center	(478) 508-5158 (Day)
	(478) 396-9526 (Evening
Crawford County Center	(478) 836-6001
Manua - Causatu Cantan	(470) 002 2717

Monroe County Center (478) 992-2717 Putnam County Center (706) 923-5000 Peach County WDC (478) 218-3739 Hawkinsville WDC (478) 783-3017

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Cathy Johnson (478) 218-3309

Counseling Services

Tonja Lee (478) 476-5167

• Preserve Evidence - Preserving evidence in all cases of sexual assault is imperative. For example, avoid showering, douching, eating, drinking, or brushing your teeth if at all possible, after a sexual assault; this could destroy evidence. Bedding or clothing worn during or after the assault should be preserved and collected by law enforcement. A forensic sexual assault exam may be conducted and the evidence stored even if you elect not to have law enforcement involvement.

- Law Enforcement Involvement Victims have the right to notify police or decline police involvement. If the victim chooses to notify the local police, campus police can assist with that notification. Law enforcement can collect and store evidence even if the victim wishes not to involve police so that it's available should the victim change their mind at a later time.
- Temporary Protection Orders (TPO) and No Contact Orders - A temporary protective order is a legal document issued by court to help victims obtain protection from persons abusing, harassing or stalking them. TPOs are issued through the Superior Court of the County in which the Perpetrator/Respondent resides. If the Respondent is not a resident of Georgia, the TPO may be issued in the County where the abuse occurred or where the Victim/Petitioner resides.

### 2. Confidentiality

- GA Law In accordance with Georgia Open Records Act, the College Police will not release the name or identification of victims of rape.
- Mostly Confidential The College will protect the identity of victims to the fullest extent possible. When a victim wishes to remain anonymous or not have their identity disclosed to a perpetrator, the college's ability to respond to the complaint may be limited.

#### 3. Interim Measures Available

• The Title IX Coordinator or Student Affairs Representative can speak to you about possible changes to academic, living, transportation or working situations. These remedies may be made if they are reasonably available, regardless of whether or not you choose to report the incident of sexual misconduct or interpersonal violence to campus police or local law enforcement.

#### 4. Code of Conduct

• Victims may choose to file conduct charges for violation of policy. Student Affairs Staff members are available to guide you through the conduct process and answer any questions.

Dr. Craig Jackson Vice President for Student Affairs (478) 757-3508

Additional information regarding crime victims rights can be found in O.C.G.A. 17-17-1, et seq.





Counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, and other services available at Central Georgia Technical College and in the community:

## **On-Campus Resources**

Counseling Resource Center (478) 476-5167 counseling@centralgatech.edu

## **Off-Campus Resources**

The National Sexual Assault Hotline 1-800-656-HOPE 24/7 www.rainn.org

The National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233 www.thehotline.org

## **Local Support Services**

Georgia Crisis and Access Line (GCAL) 1-800-715-4225

Georgia Adult Protective Services 1-866-552-4464

Salvation Army Safe House 478-923-6294

Rainbow House 478-923-5923

Macon Rescue Mission 478-743-5445

Crisis Line & Safe House of Central Georgia 478-745-9292

Circle of Love 706-453-4017



# Notice of Victims' Rights, Options and Resources

Pertaining to Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Clery Act as Amended by the Violence Against Women Act.

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