Find Someone to Talk to about Sexual Assault, Relationship Violence, and Stalking

If you've experienced sexual assault, relationship violence, and/or stalking, it's not your fault. You always deserve to be safe and respected. No matter which resources or actions you choose, there are many people who are committed to help.

During COVID-19, resources are still available to you. The Counseling Center, the Health Center, Boston Area Rape Crisis Center, and REACH Beyond Domestic Violence are all confidential resource options. Please click the links to learn more about their service updates during COVID-19. In addition, the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-7233) and the National Sexual Assault Hotline (800-656-4673) can provide confidential support via phone or online chat 24/7.

*Please note that the resources listed below may have changed their hours and available services due to COVID-19. Please consult their websites for the most recent service updates.

Confidential On-Campus Resources

The Counseling Center
Location: Callahan Building, 2nd Floor
Hours: Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Phone: 781-891-2274

The Counseling Center offers confidential counseling for Bentley students. If you’ve experienced sexual or relationship violence and want to speak with a professional about it, please call us. Our trained providers will listen to you, offer you guidance, and help you manage the emotional impact of the experience.

Confidentiality is highly regarded by our staff. Your records and conversations are held in the strictest confidence. Your parents, faculty, and staff outside the Counseling Center cannot get any
information about your counseling appointments, including whether or not you are being seen. We will not divulge information about you without written and signed release, except as required by law or professional ethics. The details of this will be discussed further at your intake appointment.

**Health Center**

**Location:** Rhodes Hall  
**Hours:**  Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Friday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
**Summer Hours (administrative only):** Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
**Phone:** 781.891.2222  
**E-mail:** healthcenter@bentley.edu

Our staff are trained to respond effectively, empathically, and confidentially to students who have been sexually assaulted or are experiencing relationship harassment or violence. If you choose to see us, we can help guide you through the process, provide medical care and support and refer you to appropriate resources.

No information is shared by us with anyone including staff, faculty, family or friends without your express written permission. Information about your care will only be given to someone with your specific written approval, except as required by law and in cases of danger to yourself or others.

**Spiritual Life Center (Chaplain Team)**

**Location:** Student Center 334  
**Phone:** 781.891.2418

Chaplains from the Spiritual Life Office are available for confidential conversations with any member of the Bentley community. All have special training in pastoral care, and are sensitive listeners and discernment guides. Those seeking conversation with a Chaplain do not need to have a connection to a faith tradition, and each chaplain is available to anyone. You may of course choose to speak to a Chaplain from a particular religion. Contact the Chaplain by email to make an appointment. Conversations may be held in the privacy of the Spiritual Life Center office.
Confidential Off-Campus Resources

**Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)**
*Locations:* Boston, Cambridge, and Waltham  
**24/7 Hotline:** 1.800.841.8371  
**Office Phone:** 617.492.8306

BARCC was founded in 1973 to create a hotline to answer calls from rape survivors. Today, it is a national leader in providing a 24-hour hotline, 24-hour medical advocacy, individual and group counseling, and legal advocacy. BARCC also provides community awareness and prevention services.

BARCC assists thousands of sexual violence survivors and their families, friends and communities each year, regardless of sex, gender identity, race, physical/developmental disabilities, income, ethnicity, class, religion, or sexual orientation. Services are provided in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, and French, with other languages available upon request.

**REACH Beyond Domestic Violence (REACH)**
*Location:* Waltham  
**24/7 Hotline:** 1.800.899.4000

REACH Beyond Domestic Violence is a comprehensive domestic violence service agency serving 7,000 people a year through a combination of intervention and prevention services. Our shelter, 24-hour hotline, and community-based support services provide domestic violence survivors with the help they need to achieve permanent safety and independence. Our Prevention programs engage the community, generate conversations, and create locally-based solutions to end domestic violence. All of REACH’s services are free and confidential.
**VictimConnect**

**Telephone-based helpline:** 855-4-VICTIM (855-484-2846)

**Online chat:** Chat.VictimConnect.org

The VictimConnect Resource Center is a referral helpline where crime victims can learn about their rights and options confidentially and compassionately. With extensive specialized training, Victim Assistance Specialists stand ready to help crime victims:

- Discuss concerns and questions in a nonjudgmental, compassionate environment
- Understand their rights and options
- Find information and connect with resources
- Craft next steps to regain control over their lives
- Access referral

**Non-Confidential Resources**

**Title IX**

**Liz Humphries**
Interim Title IX Coordinator
Associate Director of Student Conduct
(781) 891-2225
ehumphries@bentley.edu

**Justin Woodard**
Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Student Support
Associate Director, Residential Center
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If you’d like to report an incident to the university, you may do so here. You can also contact one of the Title IX staff members at Bentley. The Title IX staff member will discuss resources and reporting options with you. The Title IX staff can also offer interim measures and accommodations including:

- Providing university “No Contact” order to all parties involved
- Changes in housing assignment or room combination
- Academic support services
- Help in rescheduling exams
- Limiting access to university facilities and activities to some or all involved parties
- Change in class schedule
- Change in work schedule or job assignment
- Arrangements for medical services
- Alternative transportation arrangements
Bentley University Police Department

**Location:** Callahan Building, 1st Floor

**Hours:** 24/7

**Emergency:** 781.891.3131

**Non-Emergency:** 781-891-2201

If you are currently in danger or feel unsafe, please call police immediately for assistance 781-891-3131, or 911 if you are off campus. University Police are available at any time—either by phone or by walking into the Callahan Police Station—to assist students, faculty, and staff. They have male and female investigators available to speak with you about options, resources, and investigations. They can assist with contacting Bentley or off-campus resources during business or non-business hours. It is their practice to conduct sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, and stalking investigations at the request of and in cooperation with the reporting party. All University Police employees are responsible employees, so they will report incidents to Title IX. They are also CSAs (Campus Security Authorities), so crimes reported to them will be reflected in the Clery Log, annual statistics, and possibly in a timely warning notice (none of these will release any personally identifiable information).

Residential Center

**Phone:** 781-891-2148

**Email:** housing@bentley.edu

If you need staff assistance after hours and/or over the weekend, you have a number of resources. You are encouraged to call University Police, 24/7, at 781.891.3131 if you feel the situation is emergent and you need immediate assistance. You are also welcome to call University Police to get in contact with the Residence Director on Duty, commonly referred to as the Administrator on Duty (AOD). Simply call and ask to speak with the AOD or RD on Duty and they should patch you through. Speaking with the AOD does not require you to file a report with the police.

You can also seek out the Resident Assistant (RA) on duty. RAs are on duty every night from 7:30pm-8:00am. They are stationed in their duty offices from 7:30pm-12:00am Sunday through Thursday and 7:30pm-2:00am Friday and Saturday. Beginning at 7:30pm, you are welcome to begin use the RA-on-duty cell phone, which is available from 7:30pm-8:00am. This number can be found on the entrance door(s) to all residence hall buildings. The RA on duty is also a direct link to the on-call, professional staff member from the Residential Center—also known as the Administrator on Duty (AOD).