

(2) The intention of this section is to provide for rape crisis programs which will serve to address the special needs of a rape victim.

(b) (1) The Department of Human Resources shall assist in the establishment of rape crisis programs in this State.

(2) The programs shall be developed and located in areas of the State to facilitate the use of the program by alleged victims residing in the surrounding area.

(3) The programs shall provide specialized support services to the alleged victims, both adults and children, of rape and sexual offenses.

(4) The programs shall include a hotline and counseling service.

(c) The Department of Human Resources may enter into a contract with public or private nonprofit organizations to operate the programs.

(d) Funds for the programs shall be as provided in the annual State budget and shall be used to supplement, but not supplant, funds that the programs receive from other sources.

(e) The annual report of the Secretary to the General Assembly shall include a report on the rape crisis program.

DRAFTER'S NOTE: This section is transferred from Art. 88A, § 130 of the Code.

There are no changes.

794. INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION — SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICIES.

EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A WRITTEN POLICY ON SEXUAL ASSAULT AS REQUIRED UNDER § 11-701 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.

DRAFTER'S NOTE: This section merely provides a cross-reference to ED § 11-701 for informational purposes.

No change in the law is intended.

As to the definition of "institution of higher education", see ED § 10-101.

795. HEALTH CARE SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE.

APPLICABLE HEALTH CARE SERVICES SHALL BE GIVEN WITHOUT CHARGE TO A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE MANNER PROVIDED UNDER § 15-127 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

DRAFTER'S NOTE: This section merely provides a cross-reference to HG § 15-127.

No change in the law is intended.

As to the definition of "sexual abuse", see HG § 15-127.