

6 Ways of Preventing Sexual Abuse in Healthcare



01

Sexual Advances

You do not have to tolerate physical or sexual advances from healthcare staff. Ask them to **stop and report it**.



02

Intimate Questions

You do not have to answer personal intimate questions that do not relate to the illness or injury. Ask them to **stop**.



03

Personal Comments

You do not have to endure comments from a healthcare provider about your body or appearance. Ask them to **stop**.



04

Examination

If an examination feels inappropriate you have the right to speak up and seek an explanation. Ask them to **stop**.



05

Clothing

If you are asked to remove clothing, you have the right to ask why and for a gown or covering. Ask them for **privacy**.



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Chaparone

You do not have to be alone for intimate consultations or examinations. A support person can be present. Ask for a **chaperone**.

Knowing your rights and knowing what is appropriate is the first step in preventing you or your loved ones from experiencing sexual abuse or inappropriate boundary violations by healthcare practitioners.

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