



SARC referral guidelines

For professionals

Patients/clients

- 24-hour crisis medical/forensic/counselling services within 14 days of a sexual assault
- Crisis phone counselling for sexual trauma survivors, 8.30am-11pm
- Counselling appointments for people who have experienced recent or past sexual trauma
- 24-hour phone support to health professionals seeing sexual assault patients

Patients/clients

- 13 years and above
- All sexualities and gender identities
- Recent or past sexual assault or sexual abuse experiences



Not appropriate for SARC referral

- People with acute psychiatric presentations, including those who are psychotic or suicidal
- People with acute drug and/or alcohol dependencies
- People who have serious injuries or bleeding - seek assistance at a hospital emergency department or call an ambulance on triple 000
- People aged under 13, or aged 13 to 16 with intra-familial abuse or previous child protection concerns - contact the Child Protection Unit at Perth Children's Hospital
- People with any history of sexual perpetration

To refer a patient/client

- Call the SARC duty office to discuss appropriateness of service for patient/client
- SARC duty office will need to speak to a patient/client before a counselling appointment can be offered

Contact SARC

(08) 6458 1828 or 1800 199 888 (freecall from landlines)

Crisis line for recent sexual assaults, 24 hours, 7 days

Phone support to health professionals seeing sexual assault patients, 24 hours, 7 days
Crisis phone support, 8.30am-11pm

Request a counselling appointment, make a referral or request advice, 8.30am-4.30pm, Monday to Friday

For more information about sexual trauma and services available, go to the Sexual Assault Resource Centre website www.kemh.health.wa.gov.au/Other-Services/SARC