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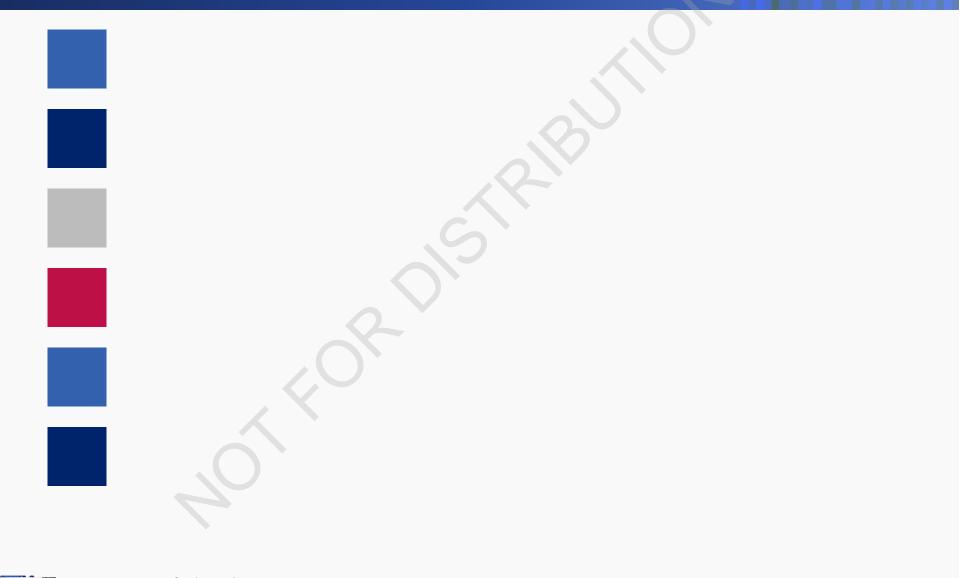


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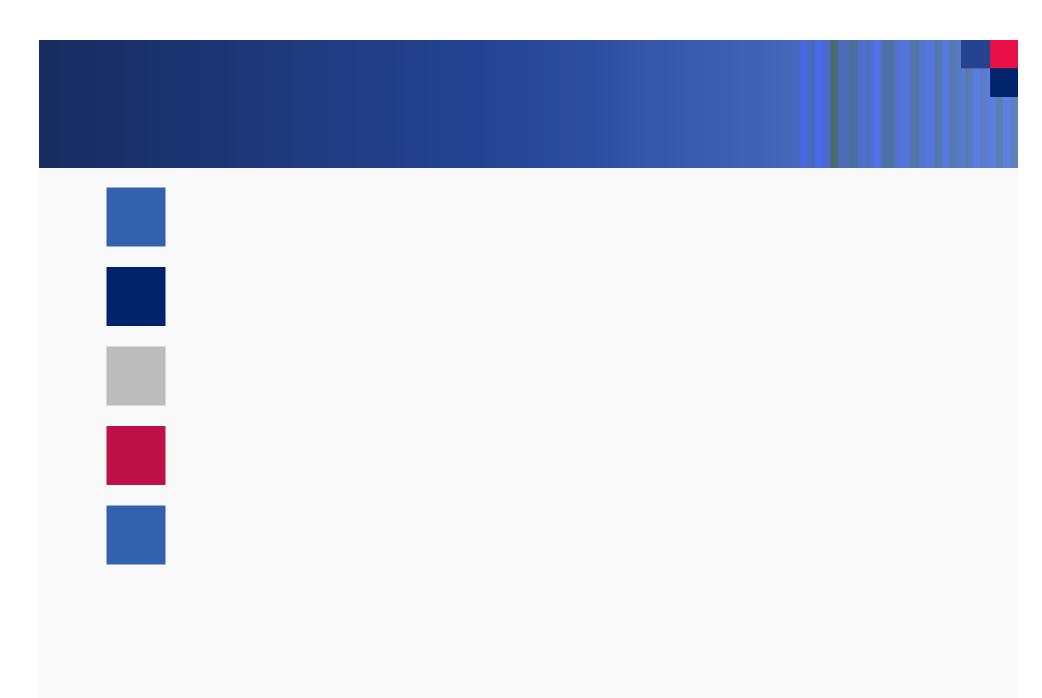
The content and discussion in this course will necessarily engage with sex- and gender-based harassment, discrimination, and violence and associated sensitive topics that can evoke strong emotional responses. ATIXA faculty members may offer examples that emulate the language and vocabulary that Title IX practitioners may encounter in their roles including slang, profanity, and

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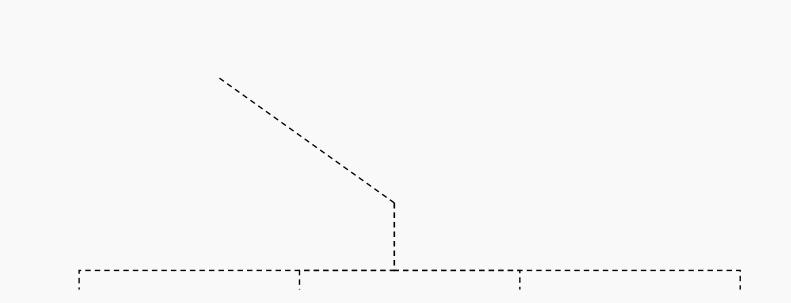


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SAMPLE TITLE IX TEAM STRUCTURE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION



TITLE IX TEAM STRUCTURE: ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

THE TITLE IX COORDINATOR

- Recipients are required to designate at least one employee as the "Title IX Coordinator"
- Administrator with significant authority and wide-ranging responsibilities
- Affects change across many departments, including human resources, academic affairs, athletics, and student conduct
- Some institutions will allocate part-time responsibilities to the Coordinator while others will dedicate a full-time position
- Title IX Coordinator has become a profession within the field of civil rights compliance

TITLE IX COORDINATOR: ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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ROLE OF THE INVESTIGATOR

ROLE OF THE DECISION-MAKER(S)

- Determine whether institution's policy has been violated based upon the applicable standard of evidence
 - Decisions must be based upon an independent assessment of the evidence gathered during the investigation and/or provided during a hearing, to include an assessment of the credibility of the parties and witnesses

ROLE OF THE APPEAL DECISION-MAKER

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ROLE OF INSTITUTION-APPOINTED ADVISORS

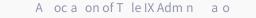


TIX TEAM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

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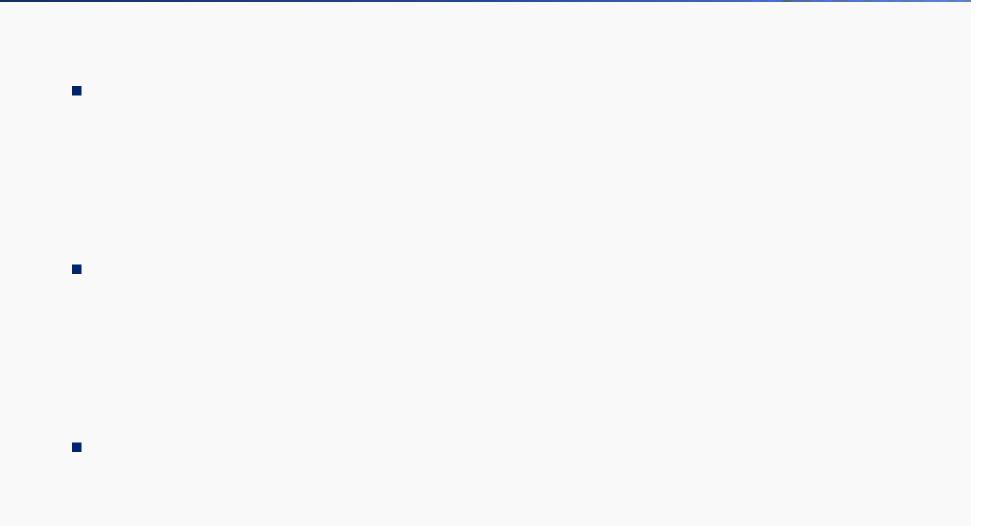




TITLE IX



A BRIEF HISTORY OF TITLE IX: PRE-1972



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A BRIEF HISTORY OF TITLE IX: 1980

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KEY TITLE IX-RELATED ISSUES

Program Equ ty

Recru tment Adm ss ons Access

Pregnancy

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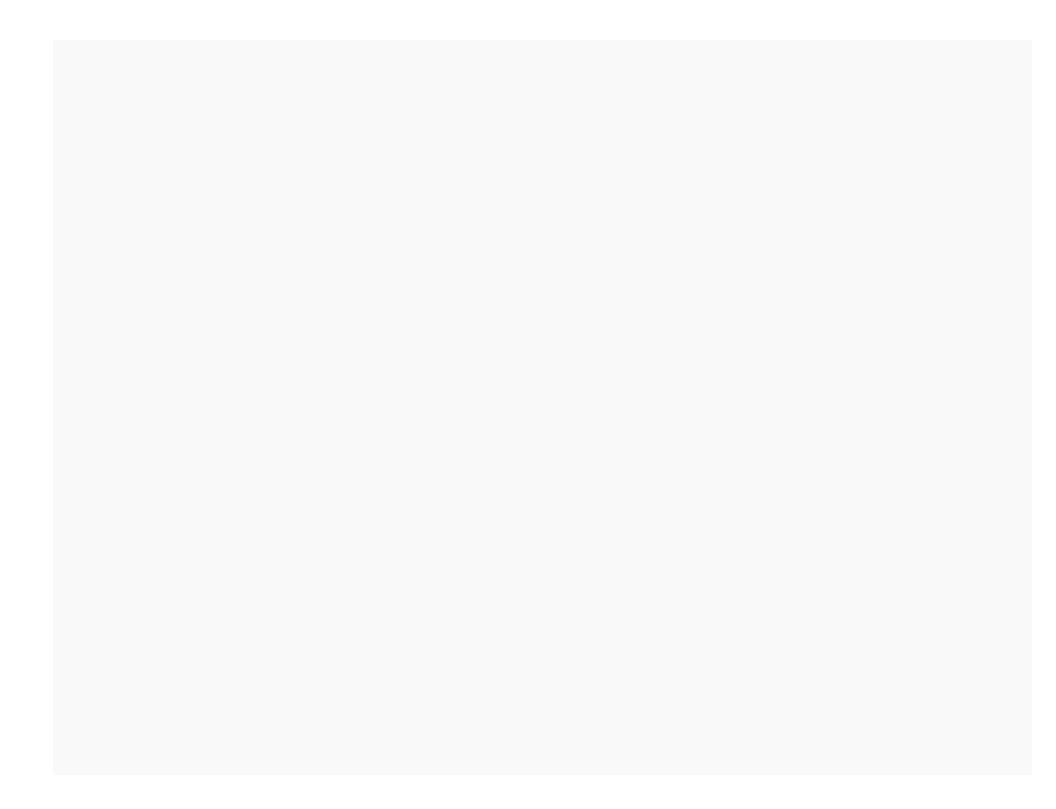
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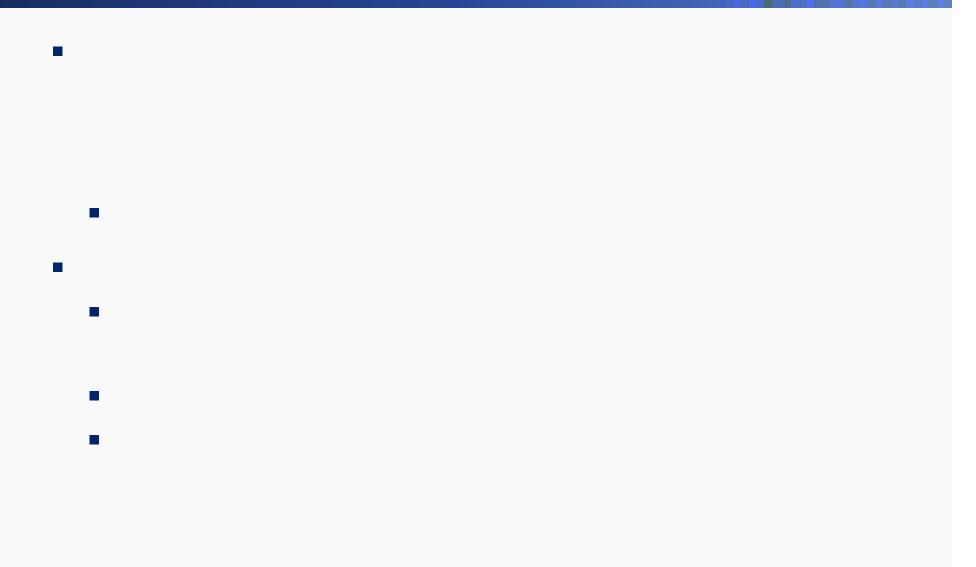
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ROLE OF THE OCR & TITLE IX



CIVIL LAWSUIT VS. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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OCR GUIDANCE

OCR GUIDANCE (CONT.)

ADDITIONAL OCR RESOURCES



CLERY ACT AMENDMENT: VAWA SECTION 304

VAWA Section 304 created extensive new policy, procedure, training, education, and prevention requirements for:

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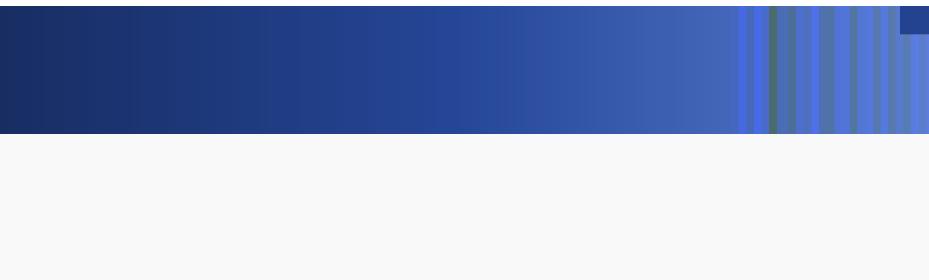


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- Sexual Harassment and Discrimination cases
 - Must be dismissed if did not occur against a person in the United States, but...
 - Contrary case law
 - There is NO expectation that you exercise jurisdiction over off-site/off-campus incidents UNLESS
 - The property is owned or controlled by the school OR
 - The property is being used for a program or event sponsored by the school or an organization recognized by the school OR
 - The property is owned or controlled by an organization recognized by the school





IF TIX JURISDICTION IS NOT PRESENT

- Behavior could still violate and be addressed under:
 - Institutional harassment/discrimination policies
 - Student Handbook/conduct policies
 - Technology/Acceptable Use policies
 - Employee Handbook/conduct policies
 - Professionalism standards
- Institution should still take steps to:
 - Provide support and resources to the Complainant and campus community
 - Address any "downstream effects"
 - Determine if there are patterns or institutional variables that

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS





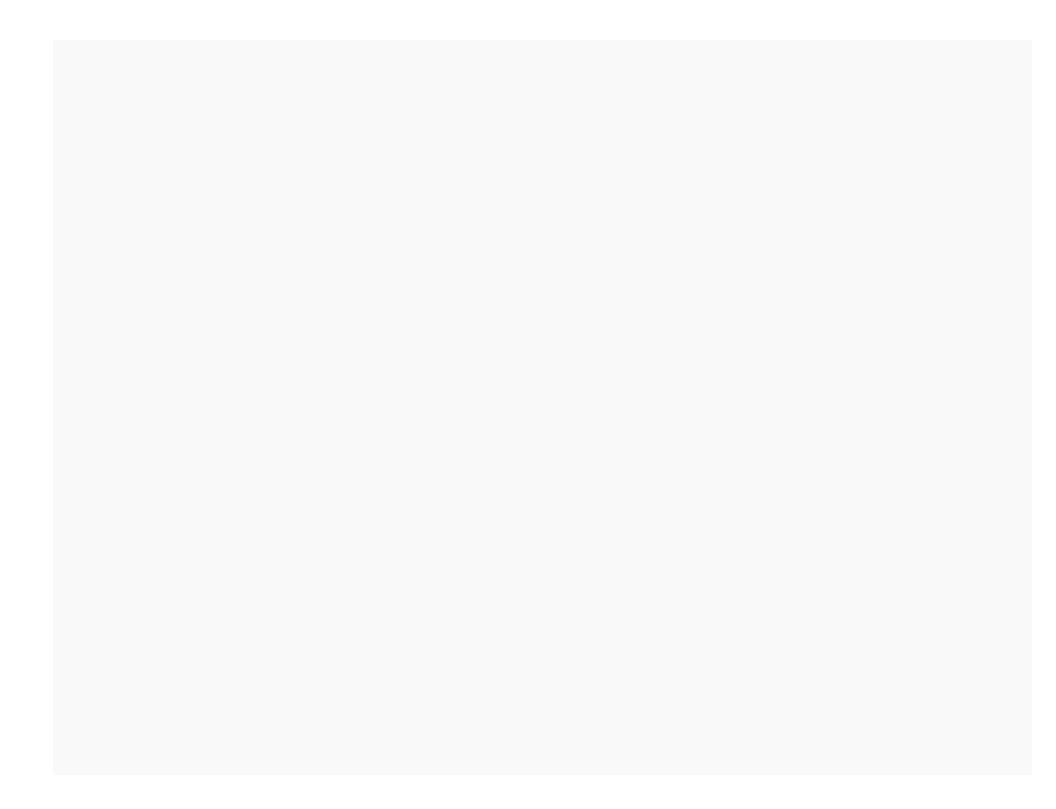
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CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING APPROPRIATE POLICY & PROCEDURES

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- TIXC must be an integral part of the policy/procedure development and review process
 - Ensure all policies/procedures related to sex/gender misconduct and discrimination are legally accurate and complete
 - Confirm that new or revised grievance procedures are posted and published promptly and that old procedures are removed from publications and websites
 - Beware of multiple conflicting or varying versions of

CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING APPROPRIATE POLICY & PROCEDURES (CONT.)



DEFINITIONS OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

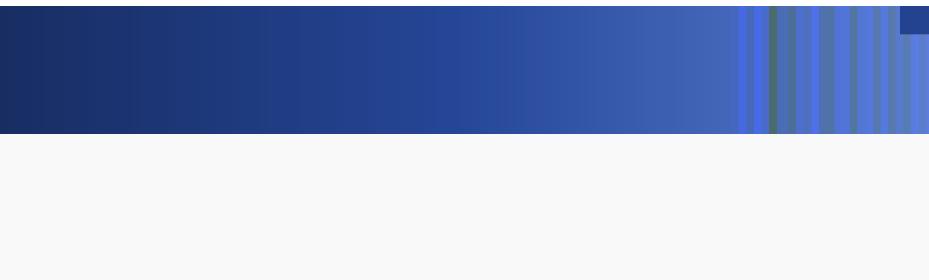
REQUIRED DEFINITIONS –

HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT: "UNWELCOME"

HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT: "REASONABLE PERSON"

HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT: "SEVERE"

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HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT: "OBJECTIVELY OFFENSIVE"



SEXUAL ASSAULT (CONT.)



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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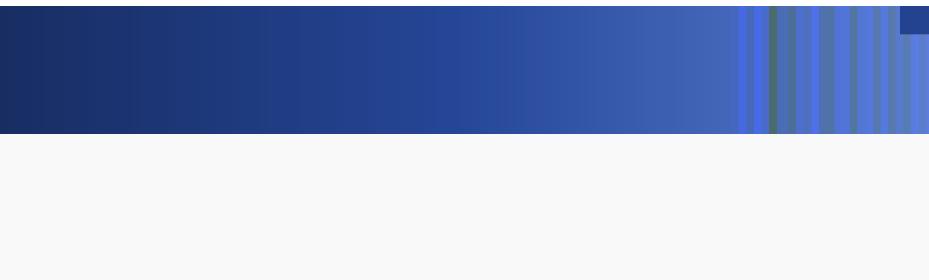
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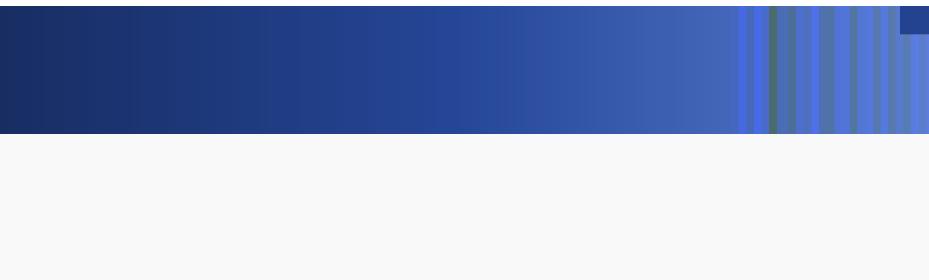
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OTHER POLICY DEFINITIONS

RETALIATION – REGULATION DEFINITION



RETALIATION



ATIXA MODEL DEFINITIONS: SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

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- Occurs when one person takes non-consensual or abusive sexual advantage of another for their own benefit or for the benefit of anyone other than the person being exploited, and that conduct does not otherwise constitute one of other sexual harassment offenses.
- Examples of sexual exploitation include, but are not limited to:
 - Sexual voyeurism (such as observing or allowing others to observe a person undressing or using the bathroom or engaging in sexual acts, without the consent of the person being observed)
 - Invasion of sexual privacy (e.g., doxxing)

ATIXA MODEL DEFINITIONS: SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (CONT.)

- Examples (continued):
 - Knowingly making an unwelcome disclosure of (or threatening to disclose) an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression
 - Taking pictures, video, or audio recording of another in a sexual act, or in any other sexually related activity when

ATIXA MODEL DEFINITIONS: SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (CONT.)

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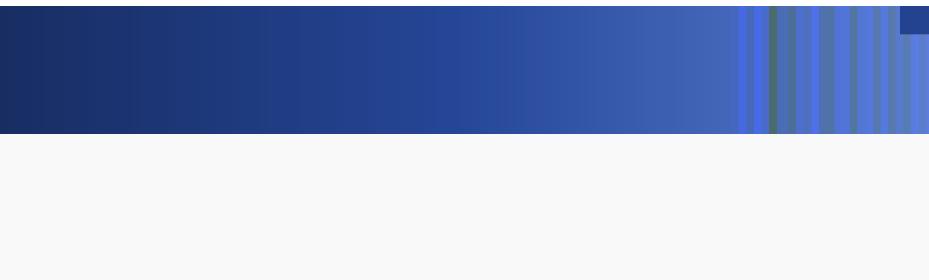
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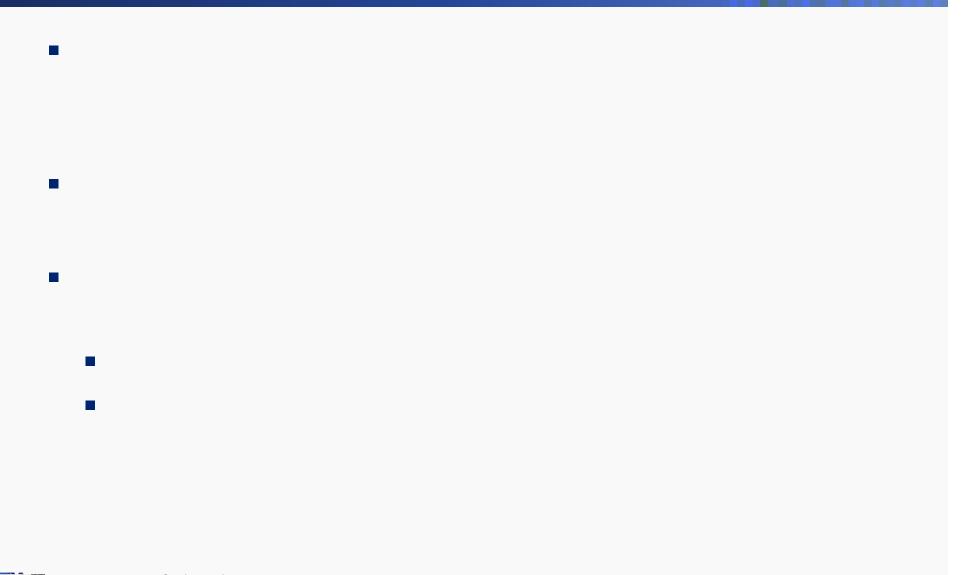


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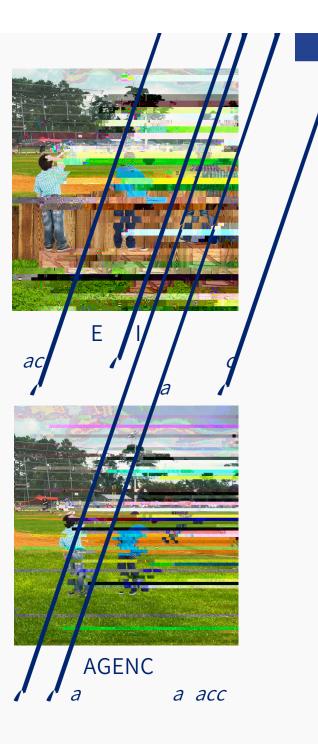
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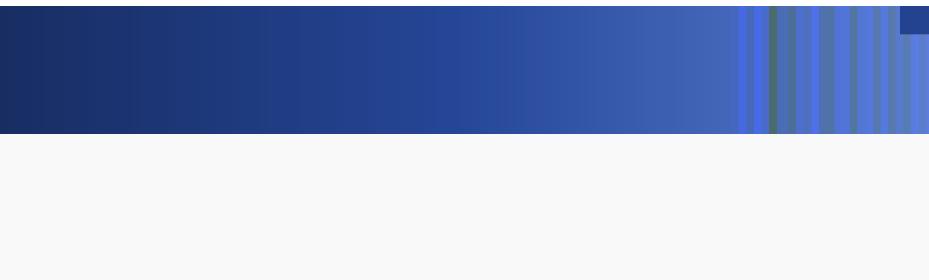
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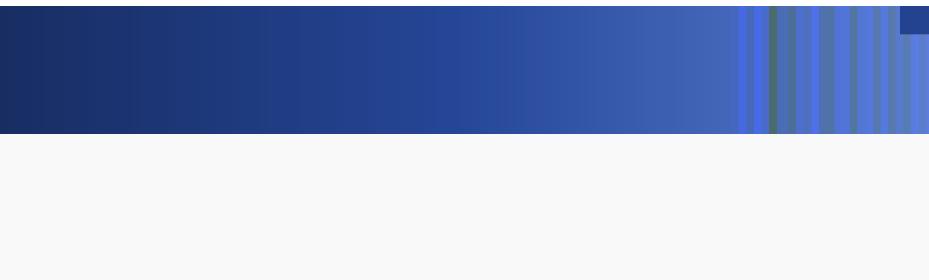
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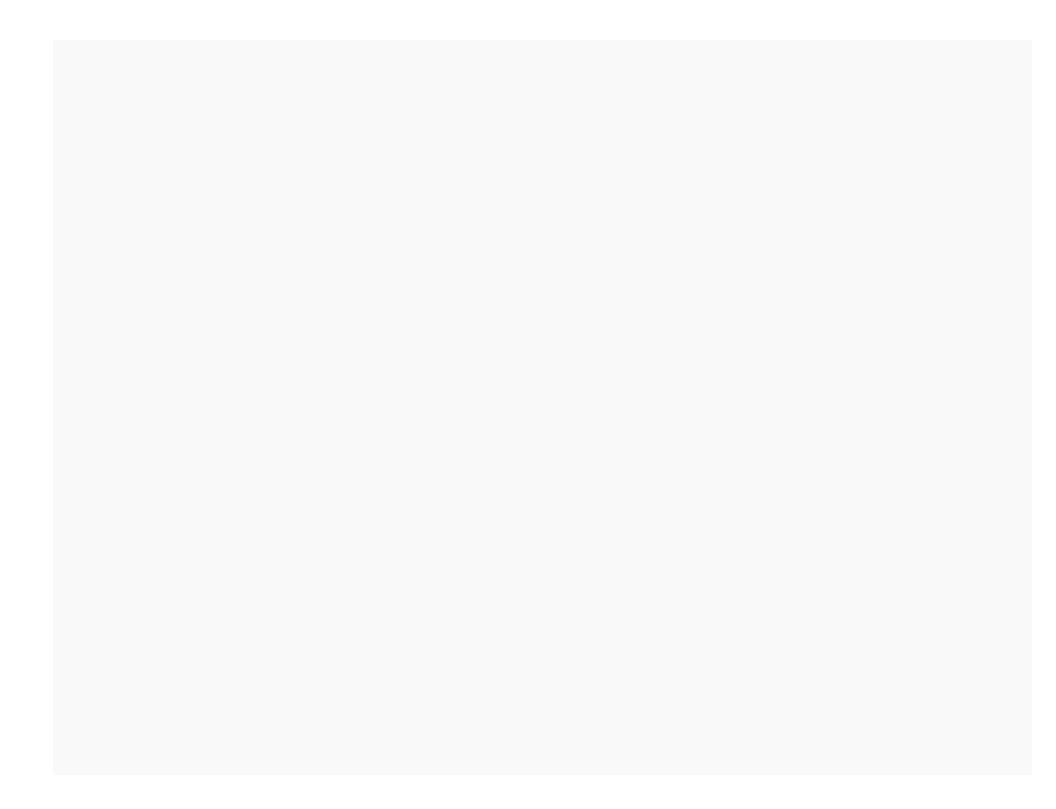




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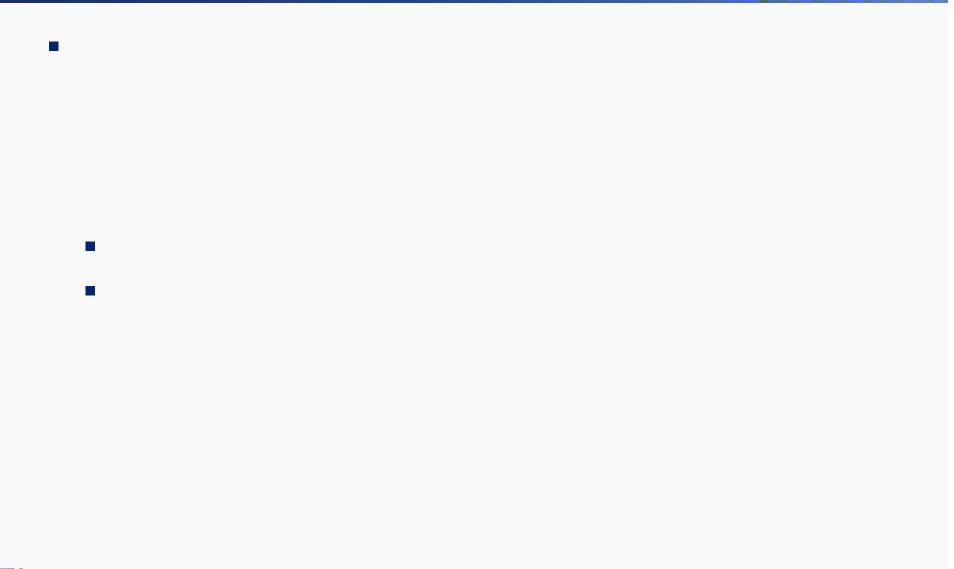
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TITLE IX AND TITLE VII

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ONE POLICY-TWO PROCESSES (1P2P)

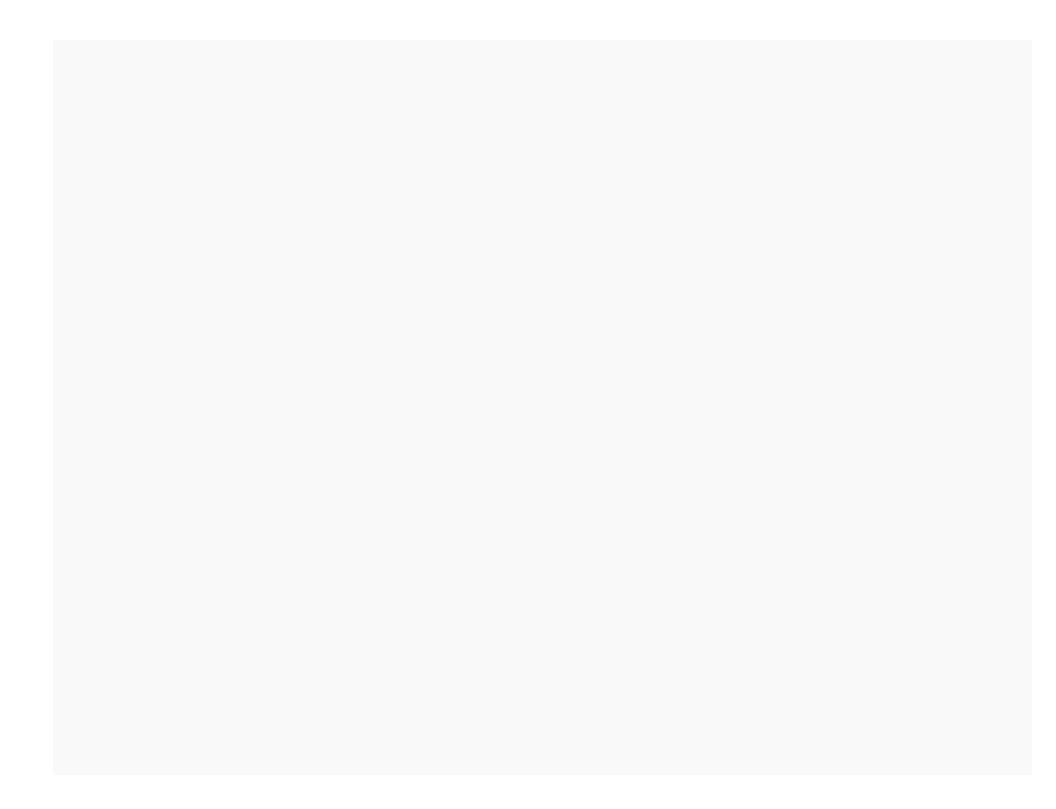


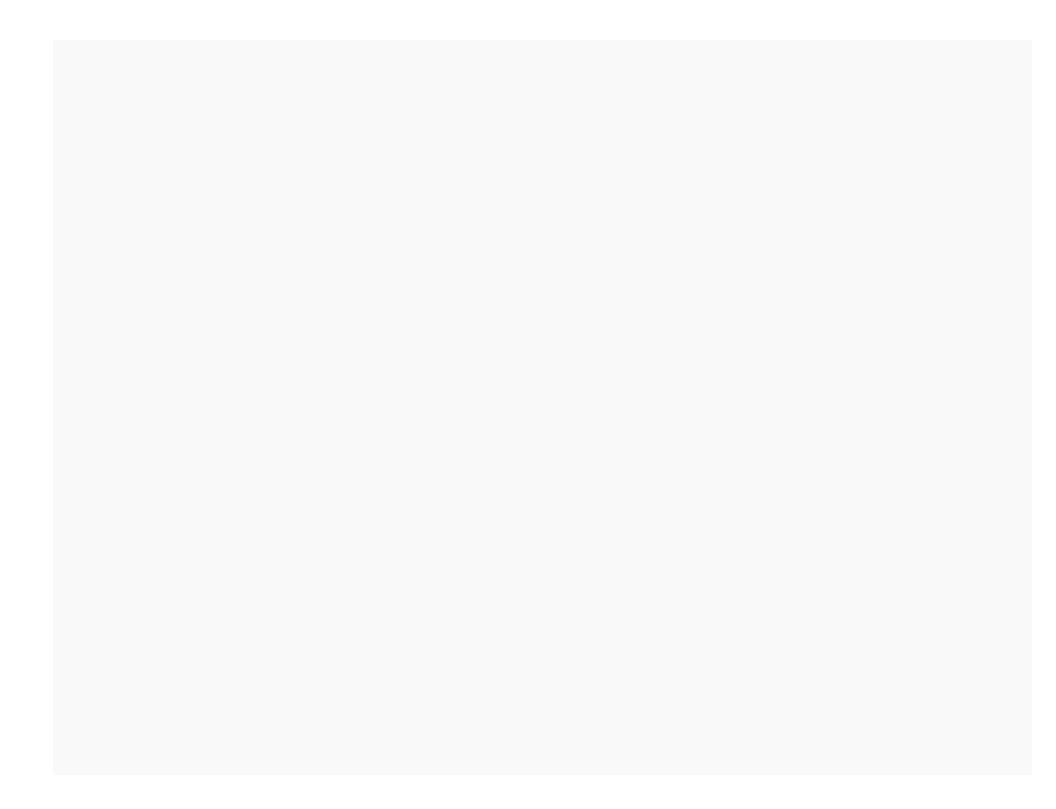




POINT PERSON FOR REPORTS AND COMPLAINTS

- The Title IX Coordinator must ensure the institution is promptly engaging in:
 - Initiation of the initial assessment
 - Implementation of response to stop the alleged harassment/discrimination
 - Provision of supportive measures to the parties
 - Provision of information about how to make a formal complaint





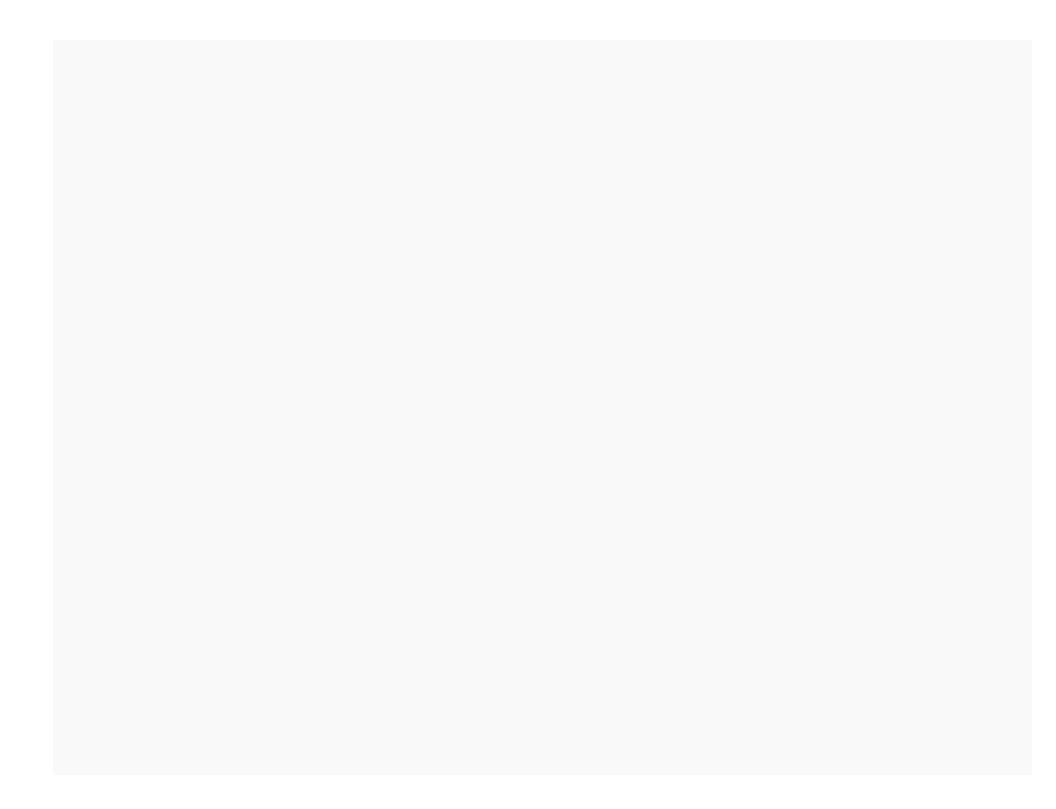
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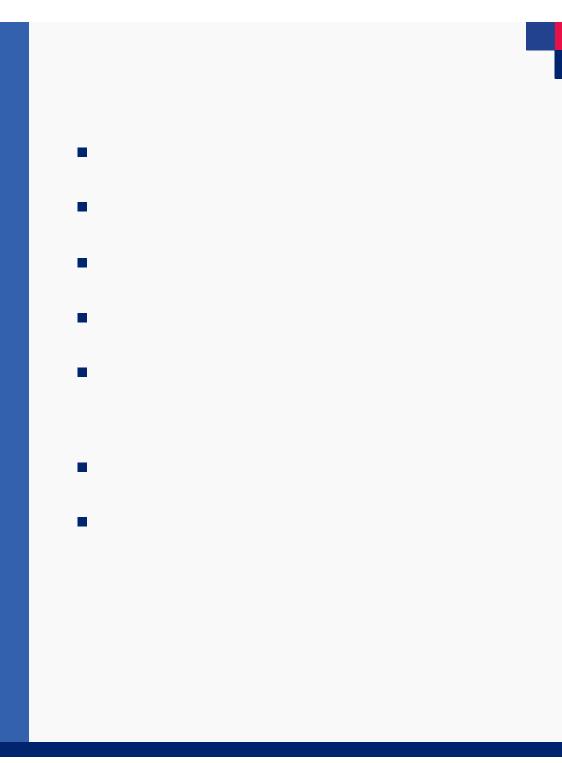
- Designated by the institution
- Do not have to report harassment or discrimination of which they becbr it.66 (h)90 (i376 (m) -2 t) 80 1221c6 ((s))n64 E) ET Q

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INITIAL ASSESSMENT



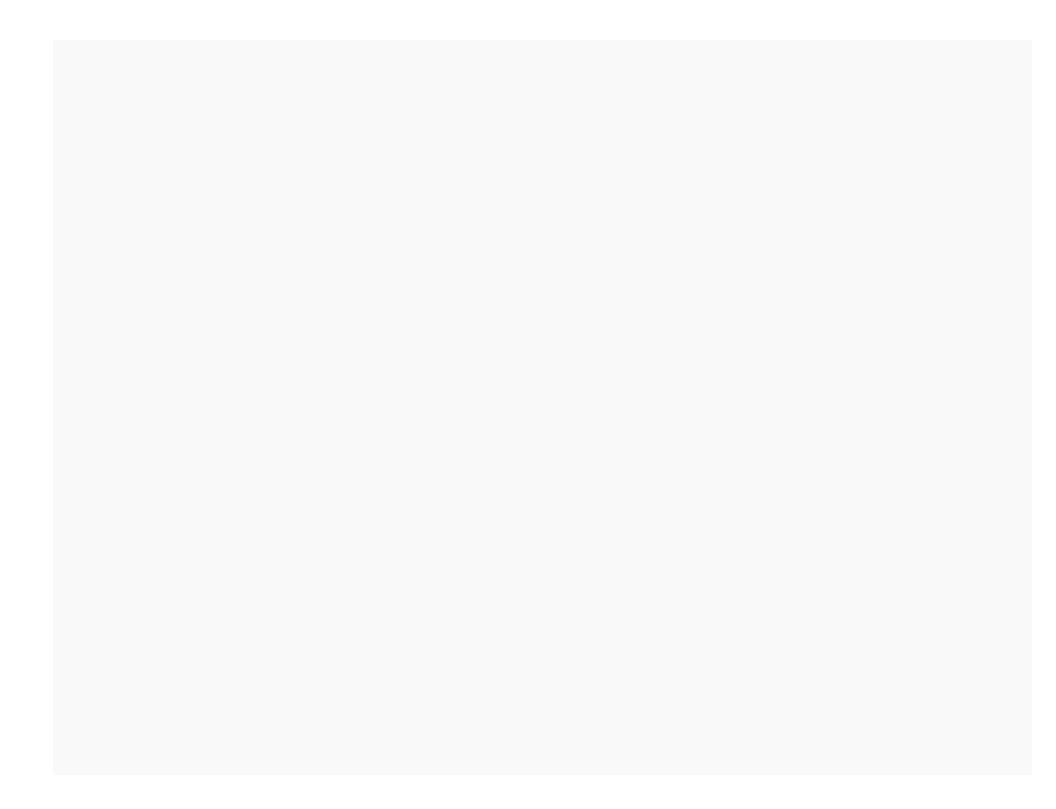
INITIAL ASSESSMENT



REPORT V. COMPLAINT

- Distinguish between a "report" and a "formal complaint"
- Upon receiving a "report" (either from the would-be Complainant or a third party):
 - Reach out and provide support.
 - Provide supportive and interim measures to the person alleged to have experienced the harassment. May also offer to the would-be Respondent.
 - Explain process to make a formal complaint.
 - Must be in writing and signed by the Complainant but can be made in any format (on paper or electronic) and made at any time
 - Also explain option to report to law enforcement (VAWA requirement)





REQUESTS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY (CONT.)



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- Factors to consider:
 - Additional complaints of sexual harassment involving the same Respondent
 - Whether the sexual harassment was committed by multiple individuals
 - Whether the Respondent has a prior history of violence
 - Whether the report reveals a pattern of behavior at a given location or by a particular group
 - Whether the Respondent threatened further sexual harassment or violence against the Complainant or others
 - Whether a weapon facilitated the sexual harassment



SUPPORTIVE MEASURES

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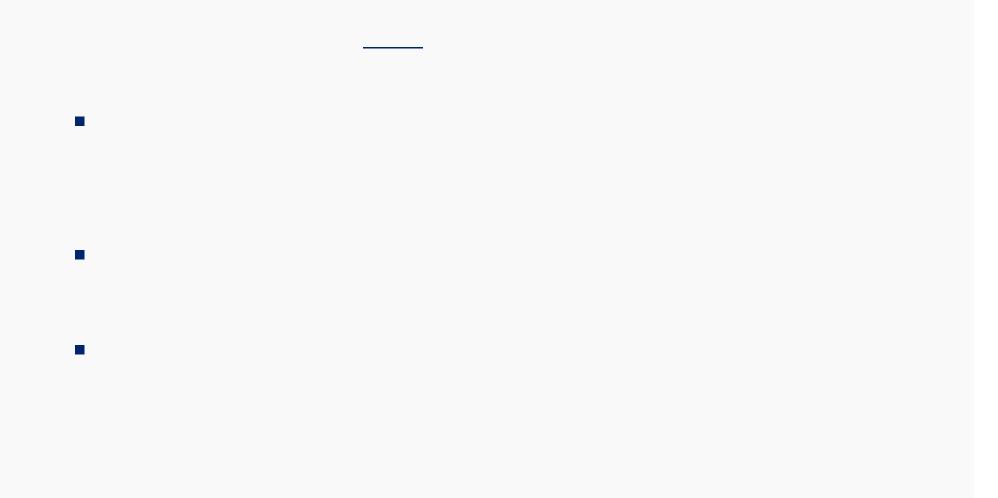
COMMON SUPPORTIVE MEASURES

- Referral to counseling and/or
 medical/health services
- Referral to the Employee Assistance Program
- Visa and immigration assistance
- Community or community subgroup education
- Altering housing situation (if applicable)
- Altering work arrangements for employees
- Safety planning

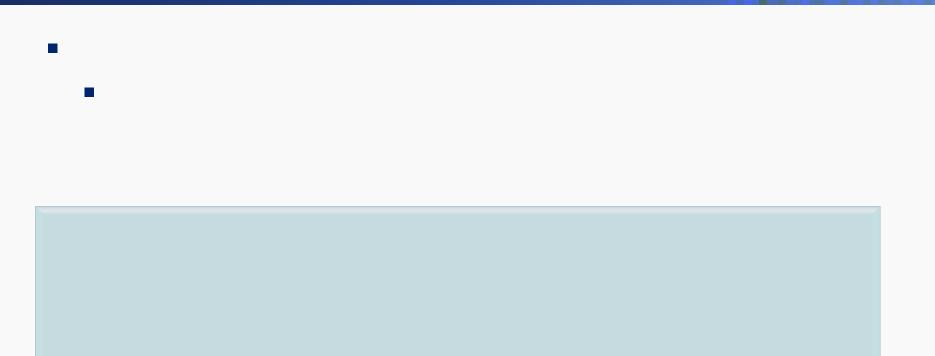
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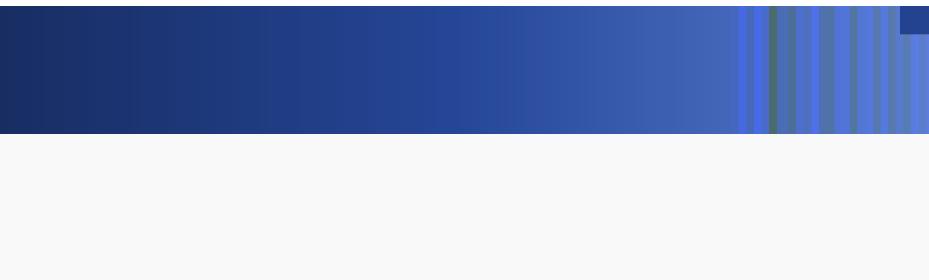


MANDATORY OR PERMISSIVE DISMISSAL OF A FORMAL COMPLAINT



EMERGENCY REMOVAL

EMPLOYEE ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE



NOTICE REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO INVESTIGATION

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NOTICE REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO INVESTIGATION (CONT.)



Regulat ons Requ rements Types of Informal Resolut on Informal Resolut on Cons derat ons

INFORMAL RESOLUTION – TITLE IX REGULATIONS

- The Title IX regulations include a provision that encourages informal resolution, and it is a worthy practice, when voluntary
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INFORMAL RESOLUTION



INFORMAL RESOLUTION CONSIDERATIONS

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- C v l ty of the part es
- Cleared v olence r sk assessment ongo ng r sk analys s
- Whether an emergency removal s needed
- Sk ll of the Informal Resolut on fac l tator w th the type of compla nt

INFORMAL RESOLUTION CONSIDERATIONS (CONT.)

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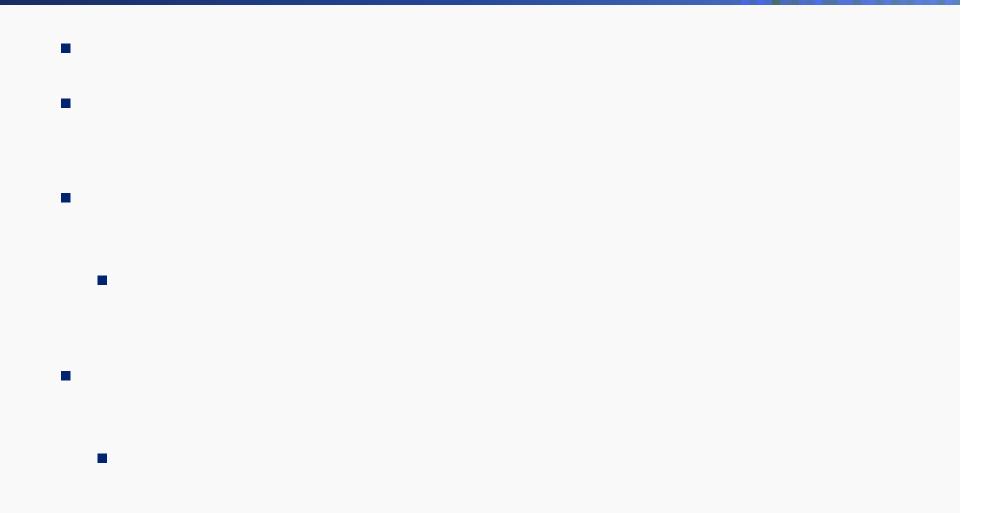
SUPERVISING INVESTIGATIONS

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- Determining extent of investigation
- Appointment of Investigators
- Coordination/supervision of Investigators and investigations
- Investigation strategy
- Assurance of supportive measures
- Timeline compliance
- Providing institutional memory to Investigators
- Training Investigators
- Facilitating the sending of notices to the parties (e.g., Notice of



WHEN DO YOU INVESTIGATE?



WHO SHOULD INVESTIGATE?

SHOULD THERE BE MORE THAN ONE INVESTIGATOR?

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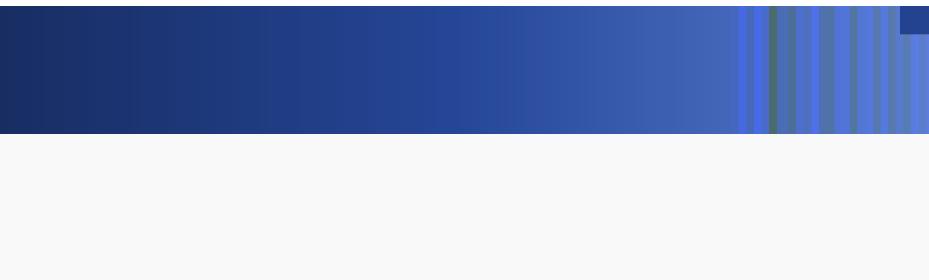
- Investigation must be prompt, thorough, and impartial
- Investigator must collect the maximum amount of relevant information available
- A pool of Investigators may help to ensure that investigations meet these requirements
- Who investigates may be strategic to each specific complaint
- Team = ability to brainstorm investigation steps and lines of questioning with co-Investigators and co-facilitate interviews
- Flexibility if there is any conflict with Investigators and parties

ROLE OF RECIPIENT LAW ENFORCEMENT IN CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATIONS



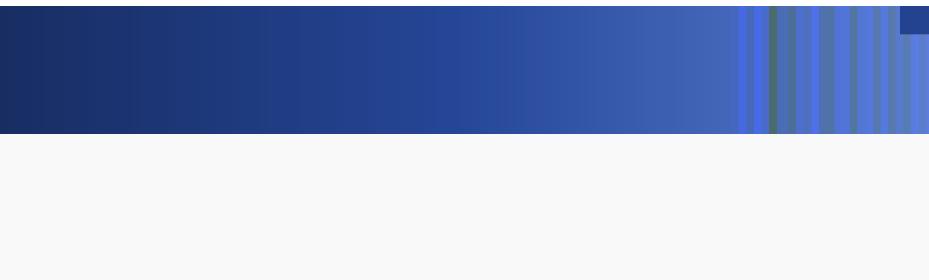
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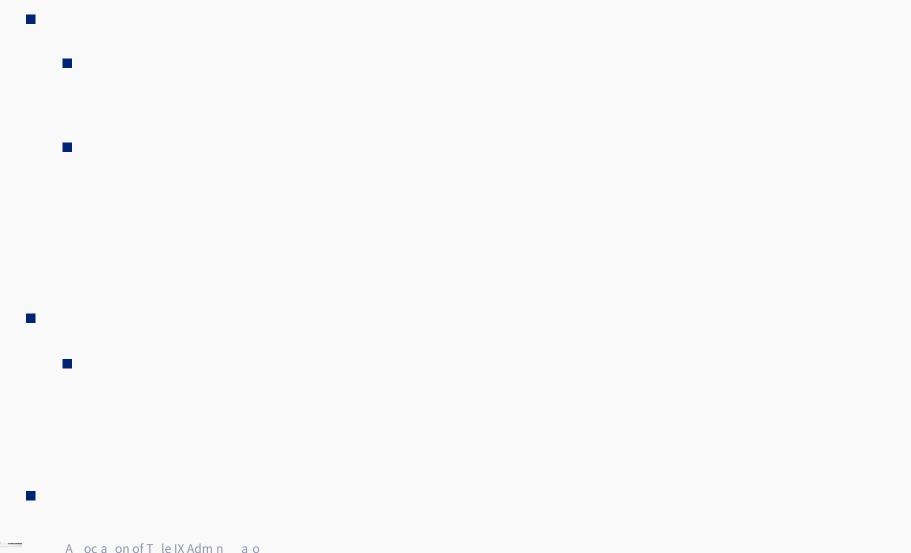
INVESTIGATION: STRATEGY IS KEY



UNDERSTANDING EVIDENCE

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THE INVESTIGATION REPORT







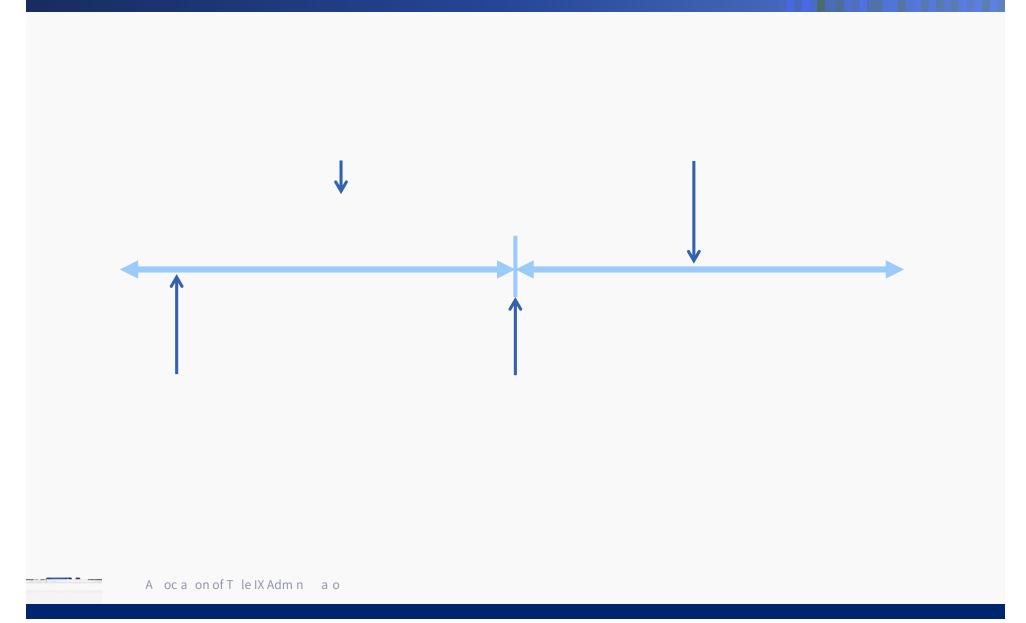
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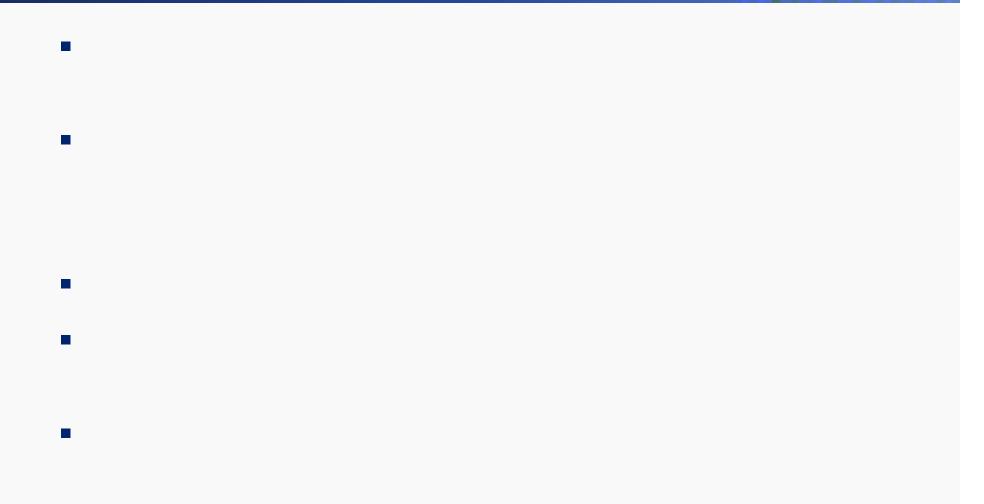








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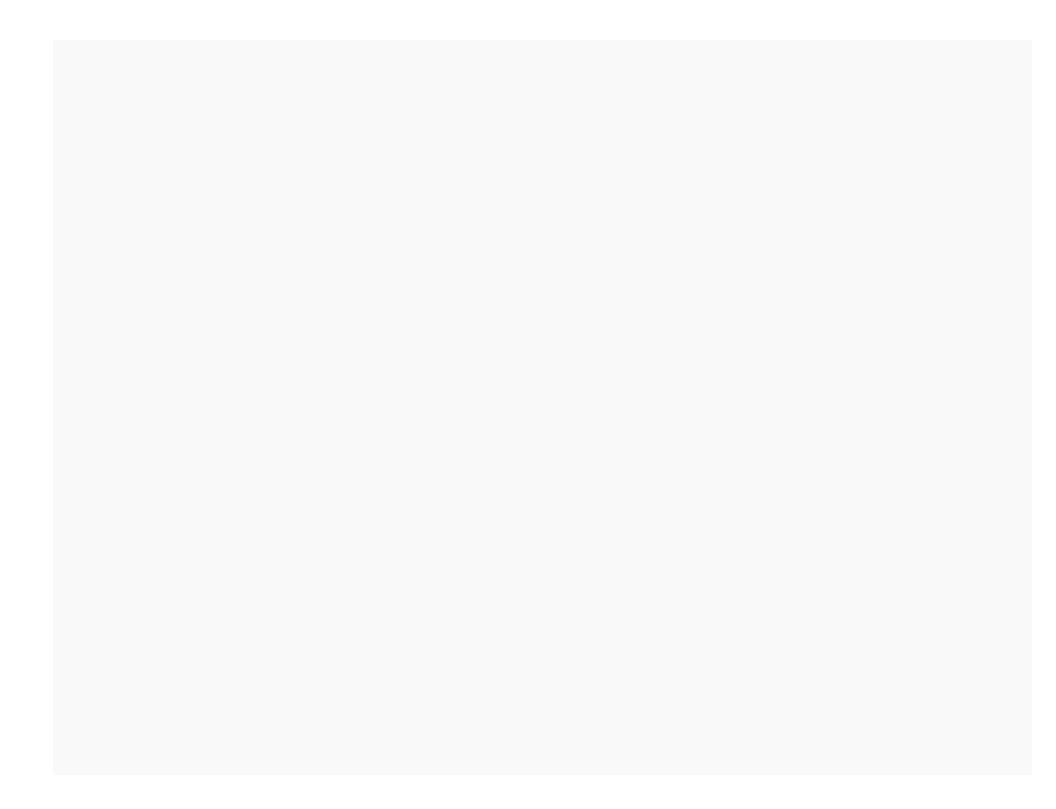
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- What is appropriate?
 - Separation/expulsion? Suspension? Lesser sanctions?
- Sanction(s) must be reasonable and reflect the severity of the behavior
 - May consider prior misconduct
 - What is the role of precedent?
 - May consider attitude
 - May also be educational (i.e., targeted to stop and prevent)
 - What best compensates for loss or injury to Recipient or individuals?
 - Compliant with laws and regulations

SANCTIONING CONSIDERATIONS (CONT.)

- Ensure that remedies are equitable
- Ensure that remedies are not clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances
- The institution may have already taken steps to protect the Complainant(s) even before the final outcome of the process (e.g., through no-contact orders) – these may be continued post-determination
- Avoid undue delays

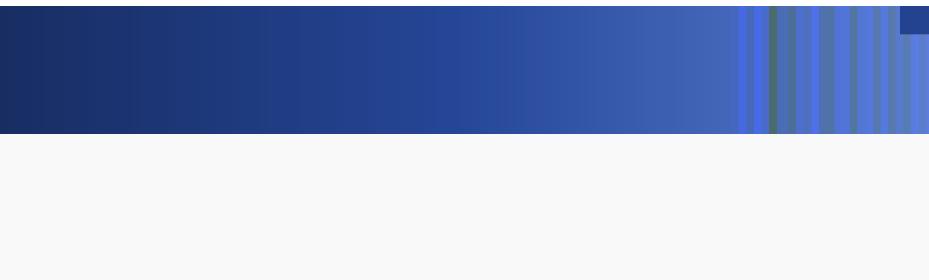


COMMON STUDENT SANCTIONS

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Appeals Appeal Grounds Appeal Process



APPEALS (CONT.)

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APPEAL GROUNDS

- A Recipient must offer both parties an opportunity to appeal a determination regarding responsibility, and from a Recipient's dismissal of a formal complaint or any allegations therein, on the following bases:
 - Procedural irregularity that affected the outcome of the matter
 - New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time the determination r(e)itio 9 ab -10(i(i) -2 -10(il -10(it 7 - 7 -4 () -2 (nti) -)



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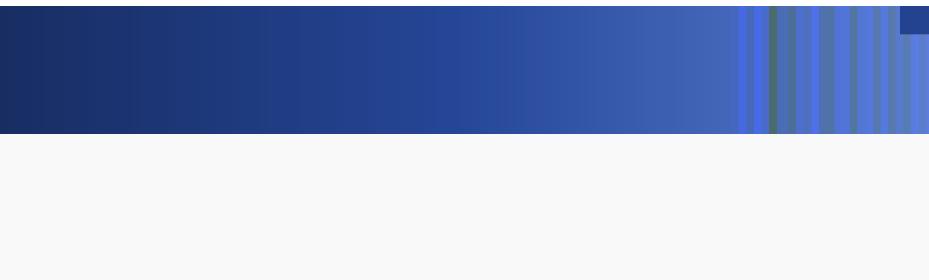
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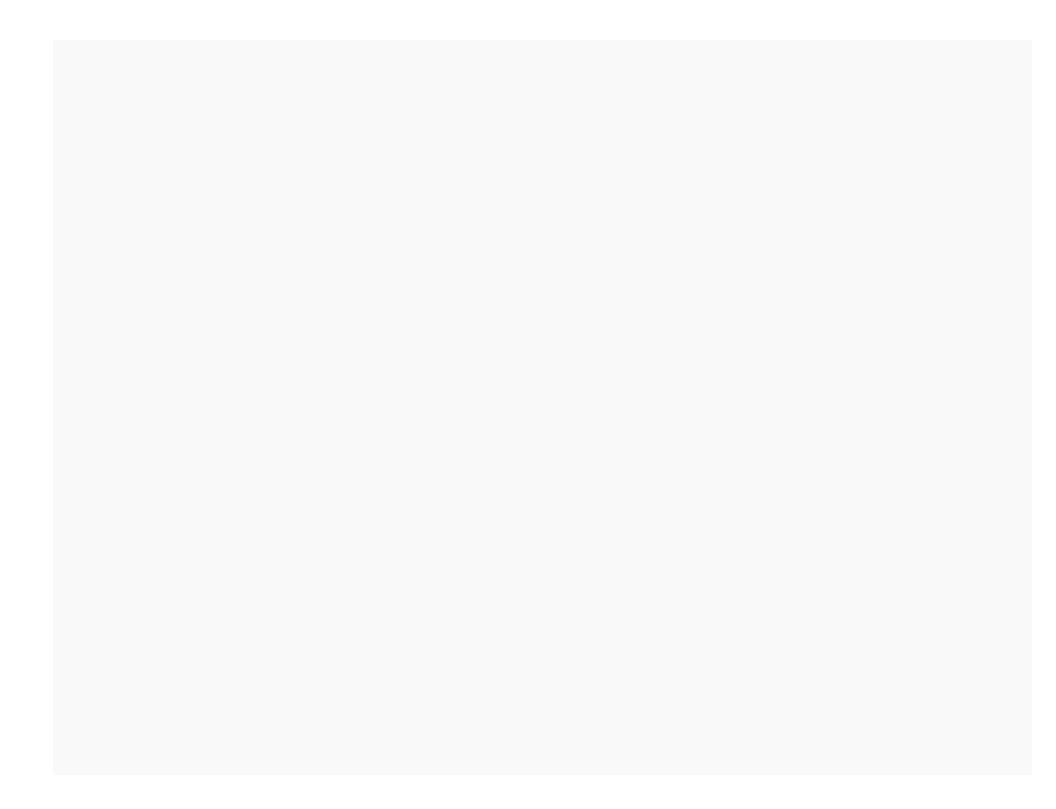
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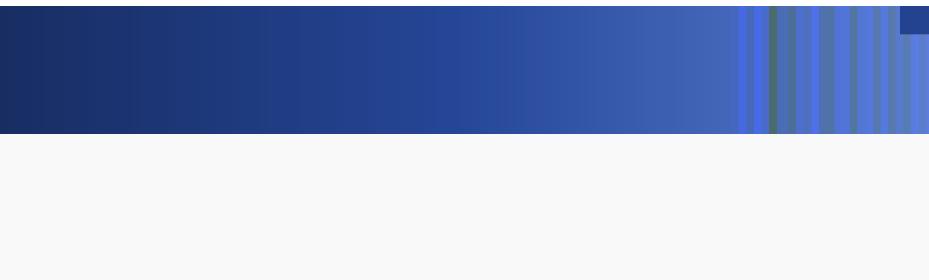
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ASSESSING COMPLIANCE



ASSESSING COMPLIANCE (CONT.)





Questions?

