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### **Coastal Horizons' Rape Crisis Center Reminds Community: Supporting Survivors Matters**

WILMINGTON, NC. Sexual violence has lasting impacts on survivors' lives, affecting not only their physical and emotional well-being, but also their relationships with family members, friends, and co-workers.

The statistics are sobering:

- **60% of rapes are committed by someone known to the victim.**
- **79% of survivors experience moderate to severe distress when victimized by a family member, close friend, or acquaintance.**
- **84% of survivors experience moderate to severe distress when victimized by an intimate partner.**

Sexual violence can affect anyone, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation. National data shows that **one in three women and one in four men** will experience some form of unwanted sexual contact in their lifetime. Young people between the ages of 12 and 34 face the highest risk.

How we respond as a community matters. Supporting survivors begins with believing them, listening without judgment, and ensuring they know help is available.

Coastal Horizons Rape Crisis Center (RCC) provides free and confidential services to survivors of sexual violence and their loved ones. Services include a 24/7 crisis hotline, in-person crisis response at local hospitals, advocacy, counseling, and community education.

Coastal Horizons RCC proudly serves New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender, and Duplin counties.

If you or someone you know has been affected by sexual violence, help is available.

Please see below for resources in our community and nationwide:

**Coastal Horizons RCC:**  
Crisis Line: (910)392-7460  
2250 Shipyard Blvd. Suite 15  
Wilmington, NC 28403  
[www.coastalhorizonsrcc.org](http://www.coastalhorizonsrcc.org)

**National Sexual Violence Resource Center:** [www.nsvrc.org](http://www.nsvrc.org)

**Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network:** [www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org)

#### **About Coastal Horizons RCC**

The Rape Crisis Center of Coastal Horizons Center, Inc. is a non-profit, stand-alone rape crisis center in Southeastern North Carolina. We serve victims in New Hanover, Pender, Brunswick, and Duplin Counties. Every day, our first priority is to provide victims of sexual assault with 24-hour crisis response, individual counseling,

information and referrals, and law enforcement/court advocacy and accompaniment. We are proud to say we provide services to ALL victims of sexual assault.

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