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Preventing Campus Sexual Violence: Promising Practices and Educational Tools

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NCAA Efforts to Combat Campus Sexual Violence

Where We've Been and What Comes Next

Starting the Conversation

August 2010 — The NCAA Executive Committee (now Board of Governors) directed the national office staff to spearhead a discussion about the Association's role in preventing campus sexual violence.

OUTCOME NCAA convened the **NCAA Violence Prevention Summit** in 2011, which identified a need to develop more research and best practices for NCAA schools. Participants also encouraged university and athletics administrators to collaborate more on issues surrounding sexual violence.

Defining Athletics' Role

October 2012 — The conversation continued at the **Violence Prevention Think Tank**, where college athletics administrators, university officials, subject-matter experts and sexual violence prevention advocates came together to consider how issues surrounding sexual violence relate to higher education and college sports.

OUTCOME In 2014, the Executive Committee adopted a **Statement on Sexual Violence Prevention and Complaint Resolution,** which notes athletics must comply with campus protocols on sexual violence investigations and ensure student-athletes are neither advantaged nor disadvantaged by special treatment. Meanwhile, think tank representatives developed a booklet, **Addressing Sexual Assault and Interpersonal Violence**.

Building Consensus

February 2016 — The **NCAA Sexual Assault Task Force** was created to build a curriculum to help athletics departments engage in education, collaboration and compliance surrounding sexual violence issues. The task force sought feedback from a broader group, the **NCAA Higher Education Summit on Sexual Assault and Interpersonal Violence**, to build consensus around a learning guide for member schools.

OUTCOME The **Sexual Violence Prevention Tool Kit** provides practical campus guidance for student-athletes, administrators, Title IX coordinators and others. Twelve higher education associations that participated in the summit endorsed the tool kit. The tool kit was updated in spring 2018 to reflect emerging federal policy changes and provide additional guidance to schools.

Tackling Solutions

August 2016 — The NCAA convened a new body, the **NCAA Board of Governors Commission to Combat Campus Sexual Violence**, charged with considering what legislative or policy changes might be necessary for the college sports community.

OUTCOME The NCAA Board of Governors adopted in August 2017 the **Association-wide policy on campus sexual violence** requiring sexual violence prevention education for athletics administrators, coaches and college athletes. The policy was amended in August 2018 so that schools who do not attest to the policy are prohibited from hosting NCAA championships for the next applicable academic year.

Expanding the Conversation

January 2018 – The **Sexual Violence Prevention Think Tank** was convened at the direction of the Board of Governors to bring the higher education community together to develop strategies for diminishing the prevalence of sexual violence on college campuses. The think tank identified research and education gaps in the higher education community.

OUTCOME The NCAA Board of Governors charged NCAA staff to explore research opportunities and to develop more robust education to support the membership in fulfilling their requirements of the Association-wide policy.

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NCAA Efforts

- Sexual Assault Task Force
- Commission to Combat Sexual Violence
- Education Mandate/Attestation
- NCAA Tool Kit/Education Tools
- Summarized in Graphic:
  - Starting the Conversation
  - Defining Athletics' Role
  - Building Consensus
  - Tackling Solutions
  - Expanding the Conversation

Innovative Prevention Education: The US Air Force Academy

An Evolving Approach

- Evolution of Deputy Title IX designation.
- Sexual Violence Prevention Education (SVPE).
  - Development: collaborative; data-informed.
  - Current curriculum overview: AOD, facilitation model; feedback.
- Coaches and department staff.
  - Online modules.
  - Dealing with discomfort and student expectations.
- Student activism/campus culture.

Kyle Richard Retweeted

Episcopal HS Houston @EHSHouston · Mar 19

@KyleTRich55 told students, re: sexual violence: "At the root of the problem is how we treat vulnerable people...It's cool to respect women. It's cool to respect all people...Be the change!" #ItsOnUs #Respect #KnightsStandOut

The Student-Athlete Voice

Questions?