

Police & Court Support



**CHINOOK SEXUAL
ASSAULT CENTRE**

The Chinook Sexual Assault Centre (CSAC) is here to help people feel more empowered in the police and or court process. No matter where someone is in their healing journey, or whether or not they choose to report.

Healing is an individual process, and there is no perfect way or ideal timeline for someone to consider a criminal justice response. Supports are available whether reporting is something you choose to do or not.



We will ensure that you have the information you need to decide whether to report and to provide you with consistent specialized supports throughout the court process and after.

The CSAC is dedicated to being a space where individuals can prioritize self-identified needs. We will listen to your unique experiences and needs while you are considering or navigating criminal justice options.

FREE SUPPORT SERVICES

- Information about reporting to police services
- Information on your rights
- Information on the court process
- Accompaniment to report and/or court proceedings
- Assistance with filling out forms and applications
- Emotional Support
- Advocacy throughout the process
- Resources and referrals
- Access to counselling

We are here to *advocate* for your best interests. You direct us as the expert of your own needs. We are here to *support* you and make sure your voice is heard. We are here to increase your understanding of *your rights*, to assist you in understanding your obligations and to assist you in accessing services.

Navigating the justice system around experiences of sexual violence can be difficult and triggering. The process is different from those of other crimes and can be overwhelming because it is so complex.



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