SHARP Workplaces and Stand Informed and Orientation:

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Experienced sexual assault? Get free legal advice.

SHARP WORKPLACES

Can you give us a brief introduction to the program?





SHARP Workplaces Legal Clinic

SHARP Workplaces public legal education

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SHARPWORKPLACES

- 5 hours of free, confidential legal advice from a lawyer
- Available to anyone who has experienced sexual harassment at work in BC

Holistic, trauma-informed approach & referrals

What kind of problems does this program help with?

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What is Workplace Sexual Harassment?

- Conduct of a sexual nature
- That is unwelcome
- And leads to negative job-related consequences

**Does not require intent

What?

- Touching, patting, hugging
- Sexual staring, gestures, teasing jokes
- Showing sexual or suggestive material or comments, including sexting
- Repeated unwanted invitations

- Microaggressions
- Pressure to accept sexual behavior to get hired, keep your job or get a promotion
- Disrespectful comments about someone's gender
- Sexual assault

Who?

- Supervisor
- Co-worker
- Client

- Customer
- Contractor
- People connected with work

Where?











What kind of help can a referred patron expect to receive?

Legal Options:



Who should libraries be referring to this program? Who is it most helpful for?

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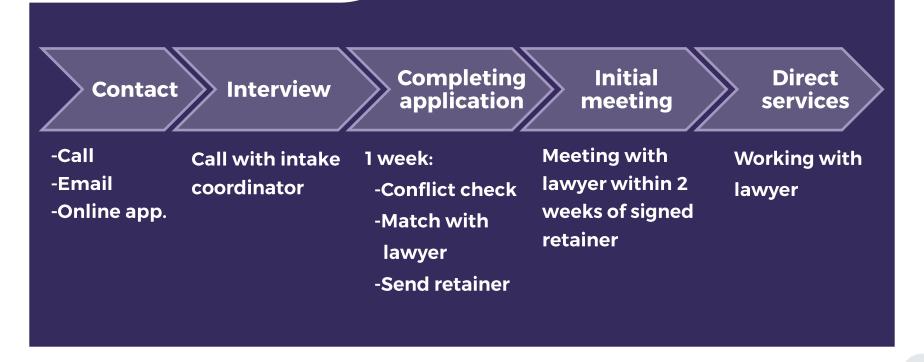
SHARP WORKPLACES

 Available to anyone who has experienced sexual harassment at work in BC

- No income, gender, or age requirements

Can you walk us through what someone can expect once they contact you? How long until they hear from you, who do they talk to?

SHARP Workplaces Intake Process





Experienced sexual assault? Get free legal advice.

Can you give us a brief introduction to the program?



- 3 hours of free, confidential legal advice from a lawyer
- Available to anyone who has experienced sexual assault in BC + resides in BC

Holistic, trauma-informed approach & referrals

What kind of problems does this program help with?

What is Sexual Assault?

- Intentional sexual touching of any kind without consent
- Attempts or threats of unwanted sexual touching or contact

Consent must be active & voluntary

What kind of help can a referred patron expect to receive?

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Stand Informed Assistance

- Help determine if what you experienced is a crime
- Explain your legal options 3 main options:
 - 1. Criminal procedure
 - 2. Civil litigation
 - 3. Human Rights Tribunal
- Answer questions about defamation and privacy
- Give advice on 3rd party reporting

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Stand Informed Assistance

- Give advice on related legal issues:
 - Immigration issues
 - Family law issues

* We can refer clients elsewhere for further supports

Who should libraries be referring to this program? Who is it most helpful for?



- Clients are accepted regardless of:
 - Income, gender, age
 - If they have reported to the police
 - If they are sure what they experienced is sexual assault

Can you walk us through what someone can expect once they contact you? How long until they hear from you, who do they talk to?

Stand Informed Intake Process

Completing Initial **Direct Interview** Contact application services meeting Clients can: **Client notified** Interview to Can take up to 1 Clients -Call open a file: about lawyer: communicate week: -Email -Send retainer -Basics of -Conflict check directly with -Online app. -First meeting case -Match with lawyer within two -Upcoming appropriate Intake will deadlines weeks lawyer contact clients -10 mins within 2 days to 1 hour



What we want attendees to take home from today's session

Contact

Information



https://clasbc.net/get-legal-help/sexualharassment-in-the-workplace/

Intake form

Email: <u>SHARPWorkplaces@clasbc.net</u>

Call: 604-673-3143 (or toll-free 1-888-

685-6222)



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Informational videos on workplace sexual harassment:

https://www.youtube.com/@sharpworkplaceslegaladvice3446/videos

EVA BC SHARP Workplaces public legal education materials:

https://sharpworkplaces.org/

Contact us to receive posters and brochures for your office!











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