

**Memorandum of Understanding  
between the  
AWARE: Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies  
and the  
University of Alaska Southeast**

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) between Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies (AWARE) and the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) is to increase collaboration and partnership to raise awareness of and bring support to victims of abuse and assault who also happen to be UAS students. This agreement sets out a framework that is intended to guide a number of existing efforts, as well as mutually agreed upon new initiatives. This agreement is not intended to be exhaustive.

**I. Awareness/Prevention**

- a. UAS actively engages in training and programming annually to build awareness of sexual violence, dating violence and domestic violence within the UAS community (faculty, staff and students). Partnership opportunities with AWARE for training may include:
  - i. AWARE agrees to provide training on the dynamics of sexual and/or domestic violence for the following events:
    - 1. Community Advisor Training: primary training in late summer (August)
    - 2. Faculty Convocation: offered once in the fall and once in the spring
    - 3. New Student Orientation: offered once in the fall and once in the spring
  - ii. AWARE agrees to provide additional training, as requested by UAS and according to AWARE staff availability for the following events:
    - 1. Staff Council: trainings opportunities offered monthly throughout the academic year
    - 2. Residence Life Programming: offered regularly throughout the academic year
    - 3. Wellness focused programming: offered regularly throughout the academic year
  - iii. UAS agrees to provide support, recruitment, and technical assistance during the above events.
- b. Each organization commits to engaging with the other for promotion of trainings and service provisions throughout the year.
  - i. AWARE agrees to inform UAS of available services/trainings, including:
    - 1. AWARE's semi-annual Advocacy Training (generally offered in September and March/April)
    - 2. AWARE's Healthy Relationships class, offered several times/year
    - 3. Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Sexual Violence Awareness Month activities (annually in October and April)

- ii. UAS agrees to inform students/faculty/staff of available training/programming opportunities offered by AWARE.
- c. Each organization commits to engaging with the other for promotion of awareness prevention trainings and programs throughout the year. Key points of contact are listed below. Specific tasks and duties for promotion will be agreed upon in advance of any event and will be in keeping with standard business practices for each organization.
  - i. UAS: Lori Klein, Director of the Student Resource Center and Eric Scott, Campus Life Director (or designees)
  - ii. AWARE: Mandy O'Neal Cole, Deputy Director and Swarupa Toth, Regional Legal & SART Coordinator ( or designees)

## **II. Advocacy**

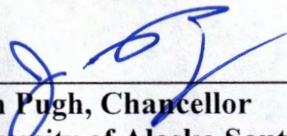
- a. When a student or staff member reports abuse or harassment, responding UAS staff members provide a wide range of resources, both on and off campus. Resources will include:
  - UAS Counseling Services (confidential resource)
  - UAS Conduct Services
  - Juneau Police Department
  - Bartlett Regional Hospital, to include the Anonymous SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) Kit
  - AWARE Advocate response (confidential resource)
  - AWARE 24hr Crisis Line and Advocacy Services (confidential resource)
  - Community based mental health services providers
  - Community based medical providers
  - Community religious or faith based resources (confidential resource)
- i. UAS agrees to refer students and faculty/staff who have experienced domestic and/or sexual violence and are in need of safety planning, safe shelter, or other supportive services.
- ii. UAS agrees to engage with AWARE for consultation in appropriate circumstances, including when students who have experienced domestic/sexual violence are referred to the UAS Care Team.
- iii. AWARE agrees to accept referrals from UAS for students and faculty/staff who have experienced domestic and/or sexual violence and are in need of safety planning, safe shelter, or other supportive services.

- b. In accordance with established Sexual Assault Response Team protocols for Juneau, UAS will advise students who disclose sexual assault of the availability of SART services, including:
  - i. Reporting the assault to the Juneau Police Department
  - ii. Obtaining medical and/or forensic evidence collection services at Bartlett Regional Hospital (including anonymous SART kit provision/reporting)
  - iii. Availability of confidential advocacy services from AWARE including support through the SART process and follow up

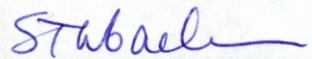
**III. MOU Review**

- a. This MOU is in effect as of the date of the last signature and expires annually.
- b. Representatives from both organizations will meet to update the MOU in advance of the annual deadline.

**IV. Signatures**

  
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John Pugh, Chancellor  
University of Alaska Southeast

3/9/10  
Date

  
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Saralyn Tabachnick  
AWARE, Inc.

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Date