

What is Rape?

Rape is NOT about sex – it is about power and control.

- Rape is a violent crime. The state of Indiana legally defines rape as follows:
 - Knowingly or intentionally having sexual intercourse with another person or knowingly and intentionally causing another person to perform or submit to another sexual conduct when:
 - The other person is compelled by force or imminent threat of force;
 - The other person is unaware that the sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct is occurring; or
 - The other person is so mentally disabled or deficient that the consent to sexual intercourse or other conduct cannot be given (IC-35-42-4-1).
 - The other person disregarded the other person's attempts to physically, verbally, or by other visible conduct refuse the person's acts.

Who is at Risk?

Anyone can be raped.

- Women are some of the most high-risk for sexual violence (RAINN). No matter who the victim or perpetrator is, or when and where the rape takes place, rape should always be taken seriously – this begins with believing the victim.