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CAMPUS ASSESSMENT RESPONSE EVALUATION

As a result of growing national trends on college campuses with increasing student mental health needs and unsafe behaviors leading to harm or death, MSU-Bozeman has created the MSU CARE Program. In order to promote the safety and wellness of our community, the MSU CARE Program addresses behaviors that are disruptive, dangerous, and may include mental health and other safety issues.



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What is a CARE Referral? The CARE Referral provides a simple way for members of the university community to express concern about a person by submitting an online form and connecting them to resources. Once a CARE Referral is made, it is reviewed and appropriate action is taken, if necessary.

When should I submit a CARE Referral? Please submit a CARE Referral if you are concerned about the wellbeing of someone in the campus community or someone who may be a danger to themselves (i.e. suicidal) or a danger to the community.

What happens once I submit a CARE Referral? Once a Referral is submitted it is reviewed and next steps are determined. Someone from the CARE Team will contact you to confirm your report, if requested. A follow up phone call, email or meeting may be requested with the person of concern in order to connect them with appropriate resources.

Who can submit a Referral? Anyone connected to the Montana State University community is welcome to submit a CARE Referral. You can even submit a Referral on yourself if you need support.

What if I am uncertain about submitting a CARE Referral? If you are unsure if a situation meets criteria for a CARE Referral you can submit a report and check the box that states, "I am not sure what help is needed."

Who serves on the CARE Team? The CARE Team is a multi-disciplinary team made up of MSU staff who meet regularly to assess cases and connect students to resources and support.

How can I submit a CARE referral?

1. Through the **SAFE CATS app** on your phone
2. Through the Dean of Students webpage:
montana.edu/deanofstudents/care/index.html

What do I do if a situation is an emergency?
Call 911.

If you have additional questions, please call the Office of the Dean of Students, 406-994-2826.

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