

Survivors need alternative options to access justice and healing. Most survivors never report their sexual assault because they fear they'll be blamed for the assault or mistreated in the criminal justice process.

Survivors of color, LGBTQ+ survivors, those whose English is limited, and survivors with disabilities often face more barriers and concerns about whether they can trust the criminal justice system to support them.

SEEK THEN SPEAK is a free online tool developed by End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI). It can be accessed by survivors and support people any time and place they choose. To connect with the tool, a link can be provided on agency websites, including police departments, health care facilities, sexual assault and domestic violence advocacy centers, other government and community agencies, and culturally specific organizations.

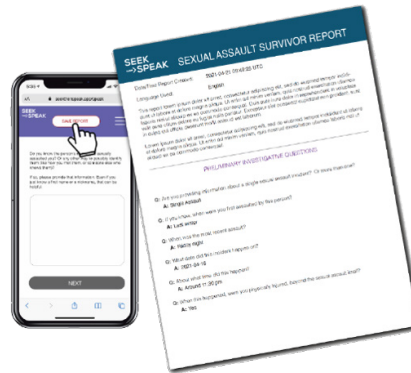


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FOR MORE INFORMATION

EVAWI created **SEEK THEN SPEAK** as a new pathway to justice for sexual assault survivors. If your agency is interested in offering this innovative tool, contact us at SeekThenSpeak@evawintl.org.



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SEEK THEN > SPEAK

SEXUAL ASSAULT INFORMATION
WHEN YOU NEED IT



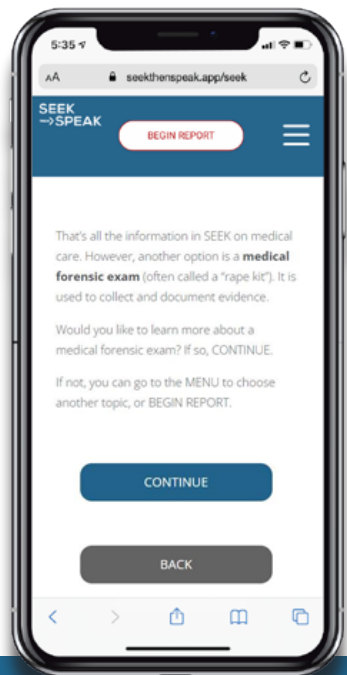
**BEGIN REPORTING
WHEN YOU ARE READY**

SEEK: EXPLORE OPTIONS

When survivors access the program, **SEEK** provides critical information on:

- Sexual Assault
- Crime Victim Rights
- Victim Advocacy
- Medical Care / Forensic Exams
- Reporting to Police

Emphasis is placed on answering real-world questions survivors are likely to have about these options, including how to initiate the process, whether there are any costs involved, and whether they can bring a support person with them.

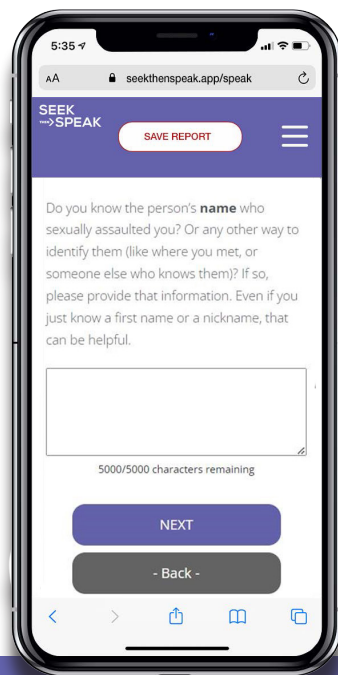


An additional section of **SEEK** is specifically designed for support people, providing concrete tips for how to respond to survivors.

SPEAK: BEGIN REPORTING

If they choose, survivors can then begin the process of reporting to police by responding to self-guided interview questions through **SPEAK**.

These questions have been crafted to reproduce the investigative interview conducted by a law enforcement officer who is well-trained in the impacts of trauma. Prompts guide survivors through careful documentation of the evidence most critical to the investigation. They are reminded they can provide as much or as little information as they choose.



The interview also serves an educational function, explaining why questions are asked, how the information will be used, and what the survivor's rights are throughout the process.

CREATE A REPORT

If a survivor begins reporting in **SPEAK**, the program generates a PDF document they can provide to law enforcement.

Survivors can download this report to their own device, and either:

- (1) Save it for now
- (2) Email it to the police department
- (3) Print it (either to give to police or to store while making decisions), or
- (4) Give to a sexual assault advocacy center to submit to police on their behalf.

The program does not save information; users clear all data from their device after report generation.

LANGUAGE ACCESS

Police officers, health care providers, advocates and others can offer SEEK THEN SPEAK for victims to use whenever it is convenient, including while they are waiting for services or when interpreters are unavailable. Translation is browser-based, so the survivor completes the interview in their own language.