

itsnotokCT - Myths and Facts



MYTH

Myth -It's okay to pressure or talk someone into sexual activity

FACT -No, this falls under coercion (pressure). Coercion (pressure) is not consent



FACT

Myth - When some says no, they really mean yes

FACT - Yes, means YES!!! Silence is not consent

*The myths and facts above have been put together through various resources
NCEDSV and National Sexual Violence
Resource Center (NSRVC)*



MYTH

Myth -All sexual assault victims will report the crime immediately to the police

FACT - There are many reasons why a sexual assault victim may not report the assault to the police. It is not easy to talk about being sexually assaulted. The experience of re-telling what happened may cause the person to relive the trauma. Other reasons for not immediately reporting the assault or not reporting it at all include fear of retaliation by the offender, fear of not being believed, fear of being blamed, fear of being "re-victimized"



FACT

Myth - Because a person has a disability, they can't be a credible witness

FACT - With the right support and accommodations, a person with a disability can tell what happened to them in court.

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