



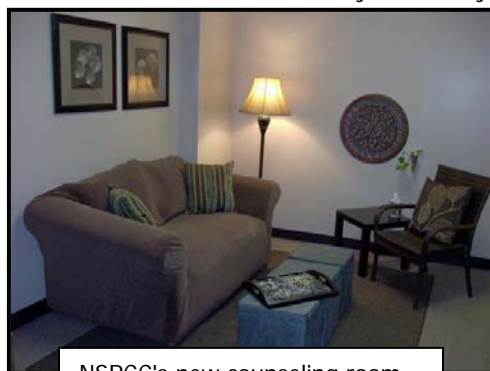
Health & Education Services, Inc.

North Shore Rape Crisis Center

History: The North Shore Rape Crisis Center, formerly known as the Unit Against Rape And Sexual Assault (URSA), was established in 1981 in response to a federal grant mandate and a community needs assessment. URSA was located at Project RAP, a private, non-profit community based agency that was the first drug abuse hotline and drop-in center on the North Shore. In 1984, URSA joined the Massachusetts Coalition of Rape Crisis Services. In 1985, Project RAP was awarded a grant from the Department of Public Health to expand URSA into a comprehensive rape crisis center. URSA changed its name to the North Shore Rape Crisis Center in 1988. In 1995, Project RAP and the North Shore Rape Crisis Center merged with Health and Education Services, Inc. (HES). HES is a private, nonprofit behavioral health network that serves over 25 Massachusetts communities in the Greater North Shore and Lower Merrimack Valley areas. The North Shore Rape Crisis Center is part of the Community Services Prevention division of HES, Inc.

Services: The North Shore Rape Crisis Center provides comprehensive services that are safe, confidential and free of charge to survivors of all forms of sexual assault. We provide a 24 hour hotline, short-term counseling services for adult and teen survivors, support groups for adult and teen survivors, support groups and counseling for significant others, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, educational presentations, prevention groups and community-based outreach services. Services are available in English, Spanish, French and Haitian Creole.

Communities Served: The North Shore Rape Crisis Center serves the following cities and towns: Amesbury, Beverly, Danvers, Essex, Gloucester, Hamilton, Ipswich, Lynn, Lynnfield, Manchester, Marblehead, Nahant, Newbury, Newburyport, Peabody, Reading, Rockport, Rowley, Salem, Salisbury, Saugus, Swampscott, Topsfield, Wakefield, Wenham and West Newbury. The NSRCC's main office is in Lynn. We provide satellite-counseling services in Beverly.



NSRCC's new counseling room

Guiding Force: The North Shore Rape Crisis Center views sexual assault as an act of violence, power and control. We operate based on a strength-based "empowerment model", recognizing that survivors of sexual assault need options and assistance to make the best choices possible based on their life's circumstances.



Survivor Soul Collage artwork displayed at the NSRCC Organic Garden

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