# Anyone can be affected by sexual violence!

# Beratungsstelle TARA

### TARA Counselling Centre

Counselling and therapy for sexual violence against women and girls

## Sexual violence

Sexual violence is when it's only the body of a woman, or of a girl, that counts

Examples of sexual violence include the following:

- unpleasant, suggestive looks
- misogynous remarks
- · sexual innuendos
- unwanted touching of a woman, or of a girl
- forcing a woman, or a girl to perform sexual acts
- rape
- sexual abuse during childhood

Sexual violence seriously injures both physical and emotional health



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### You can reach us by telephone during the following hours:

Monday and Friday: 08:00 – 12:00 hours Wednesday and Thursday: 12:00 – 17:00 hours

We also provide counselling outside of these telephone hours. Just arrange an appointment with us. Call us, or write us an E-Mail.

## come to us, ...





- if you have experienced sexual violence
   in the past no matter when it happened
- if you are afraid and easily startled
- if memories of past sexual violence are stressful for you
- if you have a feeling of standing apart from yourself, and don't perceive your environment, or your body properly any more.















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### **Crisis support**

We counsel women and girls aged 16 and above, who have just suffered, or fended-off sexual violence.

### **Psycho-social counselling**

Together we find the right options to enable you to cope with this difficult situation.

#### Advice for associated persons

We, for example, provide advice to relatives, companions, teachers and social workers.

#### Legal process support

We advise and support you in the filing of a complaint with the police, and with court proceedings. Our lawyers and counsellors are at your side in court during these proceedings.

- A team of women, who are experts regarding the issue of sexual violence.
- Everything you tell us remains confidential: nobody will find out your name if this is important for you. Nobody will find out that you were here
- Our counselling centre was established in 1984. We are a private association and supported with public money. Since 2010 every donation made to us has been tax-deductible.\*
- Counselling is free-of-charge.
- If your German isn't very good, you are welcome to bring someone along with you to help you during counselling. Our support for you during court proceedings will include a translator If you ask for one.
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