2016 Teaching Assistant Orientation

Assisting Students with Emotional and/or Behavioral Concerns

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Counseling & Consultation Services (CCS)
- Walk-In Appointments: Monday - Friday, 11:00 - 3:30
- Individual & Group Counseling
- Substance Use & Eating Disorder Assessments
- Crisis Intervention
- Consultation
  - Faculty, Staff, & Teaching Assistants
  - Students, friends, parents, & family members
  - Other mental health professionals

Key Concepts
- Behavioral concerns, especially sudden or significant changes, can be indicative of personal, emotional, & psychological problems. Student behaviors may be disruptive to your class, and cause you to have concern for the well-being and safety of your students and yourself.
- Remember to stay calm, supportive, and professional.
- Although you may be reluctant in seeking the services of the CCS for a number of reasons, it is best to consult with these services early.

Next Steps
Add the Crisis intervention information to your teaching notes. It is available 24 hours a day. During the day call CCS at 815-753-1206, and after hours call University Police at 815-753-1212 to reach the CCS on-call counselor.

Resources
Counseling and Consultation Services, Campus Life Building 200
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Got Questions?
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