2013 NM-YRRS Results:
Sexual Dating Violence

Sexual violence has negative short- and long-term consequences on physical, mental, sexual and reproductive health. For the first time in 2013, the NM YRRS included a question about being forced to engage in unwanted sexual acts. This question complements the physical dating violence question, which asks about being physically hurt on purpose by someone the student was dating in the past 12 months. At least one form of dating violence was experienced by 14.9% of students.

Students who had experienced sexual dating violence were 87% more likely to have experienced sadness/hopelessness, 159% more likely to have participated in non-suicidal self harm, and 215% more likely to have attempted suicide than those who had not experienced sexual dating violence.

For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/Features/SexualViolence. If you need help and support for the issues described in this report, please contact the Rape Crisis Center of Central New Mexico at 505-266-7711 or the Solace Crisis Treatment Center 24/7 at 1-800-721-7273.

* Sexual Dating Violence: During the past 12 months, how many times did someone you were dating or going out with force you to do sexual things that you did not want to do? (Count such things as kissing, touching, or being physically forced to have sexual intercourse.)