

Mission

The MSUCOM CARE Team is committed to improving the wellbeing of students and promoting student success at all three sites of the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine by proactively and collaboratively identifying and assisting students in distress. The team coordinates with students, faculty, and staff using thoughtful approaches to identifying, assessing and intervening with individuals of concern.

Goals

The MSUCOM CARE Team strives to:

- Identify distressed students
- Provide resources, referrals, and other forms of support to individuals in distress
- Prevent escalation of concerning situations
- Enhance the wellbeing and safety of the MSUCOM community
- Collaborate with faculty, staff, administration, and concerned others
- Educate the MSUCOM community about identifying concerning behaviors
- Foster a culture in which concerns for others can be respectfully shared

Unless otherwise permitted by law, MSU or College policy, information provided to members of the MSUCOM CARE Team will remain confidential and will not be disclosed to third parties without first obtaining consent.

All University employees, other than those exempt by OIE, have reporting obligation when the employee becomes aware of relationship violence or sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by a member of the University community (faculty, staff, or student) or occurring at a University event or on University property. (<http://oie.msu.edu/mandatory-reporting.html>)

In some circumstances a referral will need to be forwarded onto either the Behavior Threat Assessment Team (BTAT), Office of Institutional Equity (OIE), and/or MSU police based on the university's policies and procedures.

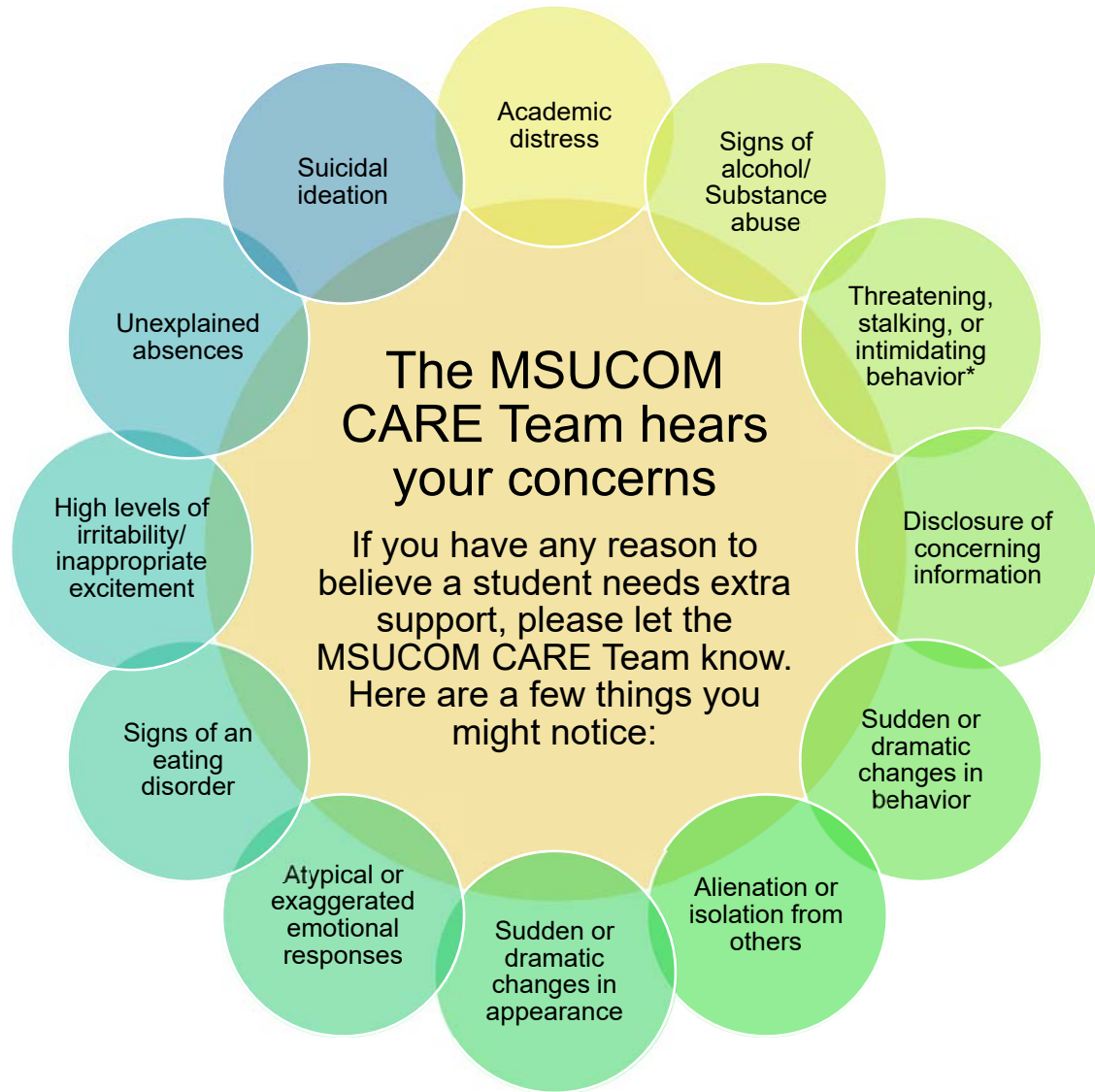
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MSUCOM CARE TEAM

*Guidelines for referring a student
of concern*

Medical students face inordinately stressful and challenging situations throughout their education and training. In recognition of the potential impact of student mental health problems on community wellbeing and safety, the MSUCOM CARE Team aims to educate students, faculty, and staff on the early recognition of signs of student distress and the available avenues for assistance. In addition, the team takes a proactive and preventative approach to risk assessment increasing the likelihood of timely and effective interventions.



CARE Team Process

Refer a student to the CARE Team

Please email your concerns and include, at a minimum, the student's name, reasons for your concern, whether you have attempted to approach the student yourself, and the outcome of that interaction, if any. All referrals will be kept anonymous unless otherwise indicated by the referrer.

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Review of referrals by CARE Team

Concerns are reviewed during normal MSUCOM business hours, generally 8:00am until 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. **If you are concerned about an immediate safety risk to self or others, please call 911 and fill out an MSU BTAT Form (btat.msu.edu).**

Response to referrals

Depending on the circumstances, a CARE Team member may respond by directly reaching out to the referred student or otherwise assist in connecting the student with appropriate resources across campus. The CARE Team will continue to monitor the situation and follow-up with the student as needed to promote student success.

The CARE Team

Individuals from all three MSUCOM sites make up the MSUCOM CARE Team including: Offices of the Associate Dean/Student Services, Registrar, Academic and Career Guidance, Wellness and Personal Counseling, Scheduling and Student Activities, Clerkship and Academic Programs.

***If you witness any criminal behavior, please contact your local police department before referring a student to the MSUCOM CARE Team.**

If your concern involves an immediate safety risk to self or others, please call 911.