As discussed often this past year, sexual violence on campus is an issue that UNM takes seriously and is actively working to combat. In December, the United States Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division (DOJ) opened a review into the University’s policies and procedures regarding sexual harassment, including sexual assault, at the University of New Mexico.

UNM is fully cooperating with the DOJ on this review. Campus administrators are working closely with DOJ staff to facilitate opportunities next week for open discussions with students, faculty, staff and community members about sexual harassment, including sexual assault and other types of sexual violence. DOJ representatives will hold focus groups on campus to learn more about how UNM handles allegations, as well as the information and services that our institution provides in response to complaints.

You are invited to participate in focus group sessions discussing these issues. DOJ representatives will also be available to speak privately with survivors of sexual violence, as well as individuals who do not identify with the groups listed or who do not wish to participate in a group session for any reason.

UNM is committed to reducing sexual violence in the campus community by providing training and education. UNM is also dedicated to assisting those who have experienced sexual violence by providing resources and support, and by resolving complaints promptly and fairly. Over the past year, we have taken numerous steps to accomplish these goals, including creating the LoboRESPECT initiative with C.A.R.E components of Compliance, Advocacy, Response and Education; establishing a new LoboRESPECT website with information about resources available on and off campus; expanding our Sexual Misconduct and Assault Response Team; updating and streamlining university policies, practices, and programs related to sexual violence; and promoting student-led initiatives such as bystander intervention training and educational campaigns.

DOJ will be on the UNM campus on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, April 21 - 23, 2015. All sessions, except the Student Athletes’ focus group, will be held in the Student Union Building (SUB) in various
rooms on the upper level. Space is limited, so please arrive early.

April 21, 2015 - Tuesday

• 6:00pm – 6:30pm: Focus group for ALL STUDENTS, including undergraduates, graduate students, survivors of sexual assault, campus activists, and international students. Location: Amigo, Luminaria and Trailblazer rooms (SUB)

• 6:30pm – 7:00pm: Focus group for ALL STUDENTS, including undergraduates, graduate students, survivors of sexual assault, campus activists, and international students. Location: Amigo, Luminaria and Trailblazer rooms (SUB)

• 7:00pm – 7:30pm: Focus group for STUDENT ATHLETES
  Lettermen’s Lounge, WisePies Arena a.k.a the Pit

April 22, 2015 – Wednesday

➢ 12:00 – 2:00 pm – Open Office Hours
  Room: Cherry and Silver (SUB)

• 6:00pm – 6:30pm: Focus group for ALL STUDENTS, including undergraduates, graduate students, survivors of sexual assault, campus activists, and international students. Location: Fiesta A & B, Jemez and Trailblazer/Spirit rooms (SUB)

• 6:30pm – 7:00pm: Focus group for ALL STUDENTS, including undergraduates, graduate students, survivors of sexual assault, campus activists, and international students.
  Location: Fiesta A & B, Jemez and Trailblazer/Spirit rooms (SUB)

• 7:00pm – 7:30pm: Focus Group for FRATERNITIES & SORORITIES
  Location: Cherry/Silver (SUB)
April 23, 2015 – Thursday

➢ 12:00 – 2:00 pm – Open Office House
   Room: Jemez room

If you are unable to attend a focus group or a one-on-one meeting while
DOJ representatives are on campus, or if you have privacy concerns, you
may also contact DOJ directly to set up a private, in-person
appointment or telephone conversation by contacting the
Department of Justice at (855) 856-2048 or
community.unm@usdoj.gov. Again, you are encouraged to please
take advantage of this opportunity.