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Research Center

**Ending Sexual and Relationship  
Violence and Stalking**

## **January / February 2018**

The new year has brought sexual assault and harassment to the forefront of the national dialogue. PIRC has been right there too, with cutting edge research, prevention and response strategies intended to address the problem and shift the culture toward a safe and respectful landscape.

We have been meeting with federal lawmakers and decision-makers to offer our research and expertise as they craft legislation around this critical issue and we will continue to lend our support to the rising tide. Join us!



## PIRC in the National Spotlight

- Executive Director of Practice Jane Stapleton spoke at the 2018 NASPA (National Association of Student Personnel Administrators) Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Conference in Portland, Oregon.
- Executive Director of Research Sharyn Potter spoke at the Future of the Field event marking the 25th anniversary of Columbia University's Sexual Violence Response & Rape Crisis/Anti-Violence Support Center.



Columbia Health Sexual Violence Response Presents Future of the Field: Sexual Violence Prevention & Response in Higher Education

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## uSafeUS In the News

Prevention Innovation Research Center's [uSafeUS®](#) app a sexual assault prevention and response platform for colleges and universities was highlighted in three stories. The heart of uSafeUS is a unique Apple/Android smartphone app for students providing both interactive prevention features to help students leave uncomfortable or risky situations and research-informed, customizable help and guidance for victims and their allies in the event of a sexual assault.

- [NPR highlighted our uSafeUS App in their piece entitled On a Bad Date? These Apps Could Help You Stay Safe](#)
- [uSafeUS was featured in the December issue of Illinois School & Campus Safety News](#)
- [uSafeUS was also featured On Morning Dose](#)



## Furthering the Cultural Shift

Sharyn Potter was quoted in the New York Times article titled [“The #MeToo Moment: How to Be a \(Good\) Bystander”](#) and [“Sexual Harassment Training Doesn’t Work. But Some Things Do.”](#)

PIRC Directors Jane Stapleton and Sharyn Potter co-authored [“The Importance of Cultural Change”](#) in the January issue of Business NH Magazine to help organizations strategize about supporting an organizational culture where harassment is not tolerated.

PIRC Researchers Katie Edwards, Bobby Eckstein, Caroline Leyva and Vicki Banyard and their collaborators have a new article discussing measures they

developed to assess teen bystander behaviors.

[“Development and psychometrics of Instruments to assess school personnel’s bystander action in situations of teen relationship abuse and sexual assault,”](#)

PIRC researchers Vicki Banyard, Mary Moynihan, Sharyn Potter, Jane Stapleton and collaborators Allison Cares and Linda Williams co-authored the following article, showing how prevention methods can work together.

[“Multiple sexual violence prevention tools: doses and boosters,”](#)

**You've heard from us - now we want to hear from you! Please share stories of #BystandersYouLove with us via email or social media.**

All the best,  
*Jane* and *Sharyn*

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