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LANCASTER, PA – YWCA Lancaster will offer a six week training program for women and men who wish to be a hotline volunteer for YWCA Lancaster's Sexual Assault Prevention & Counseling Center (SAPCC) sexual assault hotline. The training will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning February 6 running through March 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. at YWCA Lancaster, 110 North Lime St., Lancaster.

Volunteers who participate in the intensive six week training program will learn about the physical and emotional issues surrounding sexual assault and will be trained in the skills needed to provide meaningful support and counseling on the 24-hour sexual assault hotline.

Participants who complete the six week training program will be eligible to volunteer with the hotline. Professionals are also invited to attend the training to further educational goals. The cost for hotline advocacy training is \$50 and \$75 for professional development.

For more information about the SAPCC training program, please contact Director of Counseling Services, Lisa White, at 717-393-1735, ext. 259.

YWCA Lancaster's SAPCC provides counseling and support services for past and present survivors of sexual assault including children, adolescents and adult survivors and to their family members and significant others. The center is also committed to heightening community awareness about the realities of sexual assault through prevention and education programs. All client services are free and confidential.

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