

OVERVIEW AND PURPOSE

The purpose of the Kansas State University, Manhattan Campus, Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) is to assess and coordinate the response to significant campus situations and events that require intervention in order to assist the community and its members to return to a more normal state of functioning, and to suggest future preventative measures. These events may include student death or significant trauma, serious student situations involving medical or psychological concerns, and campus threats or emergencies that directly affect the well-being of students and the campus community. Issues of inappropriate student conduct are the domain of the Office of Student Life and the Student Judicial Program. CIRT reports to the Dean of Students.

Goals of the Critical Incident Response Team

- Coordinate the University's response to crises involving students while paying special attention to the safety and security needs of members of the University community.
- Offer counseling, guidance, and appropriate support to students, their families, and the University community.
- Use crises, when appropriate, as "teachable moments" which may enhance the quality of life for all those touched by crises.

Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) Members

Director of Student Life (CIRT Chair)
Pertinent Dean's Office Representative
Counseling Services Representative
K-State Police Captain
Office of University Attorney Representative
Situation-Specific Response Personnel from the following group.

Situation-Specific Response Personnel (SSRP)

A larger group of response personnel may be asked to collaborate with CIRT as needed. They may include, but not limited to, representatives from the following departments and offices:

Athletics
Alcohol and Other Drug Services
Housing and Dining
Disabilities Support Services
Human Resources
Graduate School
Greek Affairs
Information Technology Services

International Programs
K-State Women's Center
Lafene Health Center
Media Relations
Non-Traditional Student Services
Religious Activities
Student Activities and Services
Student's Advisor