

Tough Call Scenarios/Role play

1. Your name is Heather. You are calling the crisis line on a Friday night. You left your partner earlier that day. You are at your sister's house now, but are nervous about your safety because he knows where your sister lives. His physical violence has recently started escalating. The reason you left today is because when you were having an argument and threatened to leave, he responded with, "good luck getting by my rifle."
2. Your name is Mandy. You are calling about your ex boyfriend. He is showing up at your house and at your place of work. He calls you to tell you that you'll never be accepted by your family and that no one will ever love you. He has sent you threatening emails telling you he's going to tell your place of employment that you're transgender. He posts pictures of you on Facebook before your transition to "expose" you to mutual friends who you haven't yet come out to. You are afraid of telling the police because in the past they have implied you must be a sex worker because you are trans.
3. Your name is Sarah. You are calling WISE because after you left your abusive boyfriend, he's been calling and texting you non-stop. He leaves multiple voicemails a day and has been sending over 20 text messages each day. He goes from being sad and apologetic, to threatening. You have voicemails of him calling you a bitch and threatening to burn your house down. In the most recent text he threatened to kill himself if you didn't go back to him.
4. Your name is Jake. You're calling because you really want your sister to get a divorce and file for a restraining order against her husband. You think your sister is in denial about the physical and emotional abuse she is experiencing and want WISE to help convince her to leave. Last week she ended up in the ER with a head injury and you think she is lying to everyone about how it happened. You are frustrated that she is covering up his abuse. You are wondering what you can do to help her and what you should say to her.
5. Your name is Sadie. You call the crisis line and explain that you were raped by a co-worker three months ago and can't seem to "get over it." You have stopped working and are too scared to get another job. You hardly leave the house, and you are very depressed. You blame yourself for not being "stronger." You tell the advocate, "I can't live in this world anymore."