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Our Free Services

Social Counselling

- to talk to a social worker,
- to get accompanied to offices, doctors, or the police,
- to make a safety plan if you are in danger,
- to get advice on dealing with the media,

Psychological Counselling

- to get help from a psychologist or therapist,
- to receive support in a crisis,

Legal Information

- to learn about your rights in criminal proceedings and get help asserting them,
- to prepare your documents and filings

Legal Services

- to be referred to an attorney-in-law,
- to be represented throughout your criminal and associated civil proceedings.
- to claim damages.

Have you been
attacked because of
your sexual orientation
or gender identity?

Justýna Counselling

Centre will help you

defend your rights



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#speakup

What form can bias-based violence come in?

verbal attacks and swearing

online attacks intimidation

threats extortion

defamatory graffiti

property damage sexual assault

rape physical assault

Homophobic and transphobic violence is any violence, whether actual or perceived, that is motivated by the perpetrator's prejudice against your romantic orientation or gender identity.

Depending on how serious the attack is, it may qualify as a criminal offence or a petty offence – or it may not be punishable by law.

In any case, we invite you to contact Justyna Counselling to better navigate your case and adapt to the attack's consequences.

What can you do for yourself?

- If you are in **imminent danger**, please go to a **public space** (a shop, a public office, etc.)
- **Ask a concrete person for help.** („You, sir in the red sweater, please come help me.“).
- If you have been injured, **get medical help.** Get a medical report and take photographs documenting your injury. Those can be used as evidence.
- Confide in someone you trust.
- Before reporting a crime or petty offence, it's best to get a free consultation with Justyna Counselling.

Justyna Counselling Centre will help you defend your rights.

You have a right to

- information and **free professional assistance**
- authorize someone else – **an agent** – to act on your behalf,
- bring a **confidant** with you to dealings with police and courts,
- government **financial aid** to overcome any financial difficulties following the criminal act,
- **compensation** from the perpetrator,
- **have your data concealed** in the file (e.g. address, phone number),
- have the attacker **barred from contacting you**,
- be examined in a **language you understand**,
- choose the **sex of the officer examining you** (male or female).

Depending on your specific situation, to assert other rights to promote your **safety, health, and dignity.**

Justyna Counselling will help you navigate and assert your rights.