PEOPLE MATTER SURVEY SEXUAL HARASSMENT MODULE

In addition to the core People Matter Survey, your organisation has chosen to include a question module this year which asks about whether you have experienced any behaviours that may constitute **sexual harassment**. This module will assist your organisation to understand your employees' experiences of harassment in the workplace.



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1.	In the last year, have you experienced any of the following behaviours in your organisation? [Select all that apply]		
	Sexually suggestive comments or jokes that made you feel offended (in either a group or one on one situation)		
	Intrusive questions about your private life or comments about your physical appearance	 2	
	Unwelcome touching, hugging, cornering or kissing	3	
	Inappropriate physical contact (including momentary or brief physical contact)	4	
	Repeated or inappropriate invitations to go out on dates	5	
	Sexual gestures, indecent exposure or inappropriate display of the body	6	
	Any other unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature	7	
	Repeated or inappropriate advances on email, social networking websites or internet chat rooms by a work colleague	8	
	Sexually explicit email or SMS message	9	
	Request or pressure for sex or other sexual act	10	
	Sexually explicit pictures, posters or gifts that made you feel offended		
	Sexually explicit posts or messages on social media (including Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram etc)	 ₁₂	
	Inappropriate staring or leering that made you feel intimidated	1 13	
	No, I have not experienced any of the above behaviours [Exit module]	14	

		Not intimidated at all				Extremely intimidated
2.	On a scale of 1 to 5, overall how intimidated did the behaviour(s) make you feel?		2	3	4	5
		Not offended at all				Extremely offended
3.	On a scale of 1 to 5, overall how offended did the behaviour(s) make you feel		_ 2	3	4	5



Which of the following best describes the person who behaved in that way? [Select all that apply] 4. Colleague **2** Group of colleagues **3** My immediate manager or supervisor 4 A more senior manager than my manager 5 Someone I supervise or manage Client/customer/patient/stakeholder 6 Member of the public 7

5. When the harassment happened to you, did you respond in any of the following ways? [Select all that apply]

Tried to laugh it off or forget about it	
Pretended it didn't bother you	
Avoided the person(s) by staying away from them	
 Told the person the behaviour was not OK	4
 Avoided locations where the behaviour might occur	5
 Took time off work	
Sought a transfer to another role/location/roster	7
Told someone else about what happened	8
 Submitted a formal complaint [Go to Q.7]	9
 Other	10

[If respondents answer option 9, they should then skip Q6 and go to Q7. If respondents answer anything else other than option 9, they should go to Q6 which would be the final question in this module for this group of respondents]





6.	Please tell us why you did not submit a formal complaint [Select all that apply]	
	I believed there would be negative consequences for my reputation [e.g. that I would be blamed or not believed or thought to be over-reacting]	
	I believed there would be negative consequences for my career [e.g. opportunities for promotion, risk of being fired]	_ 2
	I didn't think it would make a difference	3
	I believed there would be negative consequences for the person I was going to complain about	4
	I didn't need to because I made the harassment stop	5
	I didn't need to because I no longer had contact with the harasser(s)	6
	I didn't know who to talk to or how to make a complaint	7
	I was advised not to by a colleague or colleagues	8
	I was advised not to by family or friend(s)	9
	Other	10
	Yes No	Not sure

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7.	Were you satisfied with the way your formal complaint was handled?	\Box_1	 2	 3

Note: If you would like further advice or assistance with any of the issues raised in this survey, please contact any of the following services:

Women's Information & Referral Exchange (WIRE)

If you would like to speak to someone female, WIRE can give you support, information and referrals to other services.

Phone » 1300 134 130 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm) Web » <u>www.wire.org.au</u>

Men's Referral Service

If you would like want to speak to someone male, this is an anonymous and confidential service run by guys. Phone » 1800 065 973 (freecall Victoria) 9428 2899 (Mon-Fri 12pm-9pm) Web » <u>www.mrs.org.au</u>

CASAs (Centres Against Sexual Assault)

Counselling, support and information for victims of sexual assault. Phone » 1800 806 292 (24 hours, 7 days) Web » www.casa.org.au



