



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
**SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION
AND RESPONSE OFFICE**



Catch a Serial Offender (CATCH) Program

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CATCH Program Overview



- The CATCH Program gives adult sexual assault victims who filed Restricted Reports, certain Unrestricted Reports (where the name of the suspect is not reported to law enforcement or uncovered by law enforcement), or no report an opportunity to anonymously submit suspect information to help the DoD identify serial offenders.
- To make a CATCH entry, victims need to contact the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) or Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Victim Advocate (VA).
- For general information victims can be directed to DoD Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office's (SAPRO) dedicated CATCH webpage at <https://www.sapr.mil/catch>



CATCH Program Eligibility:

- Current Service members (including military service academies)
- Adult military dependents
- Former Service Members

1. **Restricted Reports.** Adult sexual assault victims who file, or have already filed, a Restricted Report with a DD Form 2910. If notified of a potential match, the Restricted Reporting victim can decide whether to convert to Unrestricted and participate in the investigation. The Restricted Report will not be converted based on the information provided to the CATCH Program without the victim's signature on a revised DD Form 2910, reflecting the conversion to Unrestricted.
2. **Certain Unrestricted Reports.** Adult sexual assault victims who file, or have already filed, certain Unrestricted Reports with a DD Form 2910 where the identity of their suspect was not disclosed by the victim or uncovered by law enforcement, to include MCIOs (e.g., third-party report with no suspect identification). If notified of a potential match, the Unrestricted Reporting victim can decide whether they now want to participate in the investigation.
3. **No Report – SRI-CATCH Entry.** Limiting access to those who do file a formal Restricted or Unrestricted report significantly restricts the pool of victims who are able to determine whether they were assaulted by a serial offender.
 - Consequently, in order to implement Recommendation 4.2.c from the “Independent Review Commission (IRC) on Sexual Assault in the Military,” eligible adult sexual assault victims will be able to submit a CATCH entry without first having to file an official report of sexual assault through the DD Form 2910. This will be accomplished through a SAPR-Related Inquiry (SRI) CATCH entry and the filing of a DD Form 2910-4, “Catch a Serial Offender (CATCH) Program Explanation and Notification Form For SAPR-Related Inquiry (SRI) CATCH Entries.”
 - The DD Form 2910-4 is available at <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2910-4.pdf>

CATCH Program Info



- SARCAs and SAPR VAs will explain the CATCH Program and provide victims a username and password to gain access to the CATCH website.
- CATCH entries are anonymous. If a victim's entry matches another entry or an investigation, the victim will be contacted by SAPR personnel, not an investigator or command, and the victim will then decide whether to participate in the investigation.
- Participation in the CATCH Program is voluntary. If there is a match, the victim's name will not be automatically provided to law enforcement without the victim's permission.
- Victims may decline to participate in the process at any point, even after being notified that there was a potential match. There shall be no adverse consequences to victims if they do not agree to participate.
- Printing Documentation: Additionally, in order to implement IRC Recommendation 4.2.c., victims may print out their CATCH entry, or request a printout, for their personal records, or they may wish to submit their CATCH entry to personnel in the Department of Veterans Affairs to support their healthcare (medical or mental health) or disability compensation claims.

What information is submitted in a CATCH Entry?



- The top 5 things that we would like victims to provide, but only if they know them, are:
 1. the suspect name,
 2. suspect phone number or social media username(s),
 3. suspect rank,
 4. date of offense, and
 5. location of the sexual assault.
- Victims can provide as much information as they remember and feel comfortable sharing.
- They only need to complete one field to be able to submit an entry, but the more information provided, the more useful to investigators.

ODM CONTROL NUMBER: 0703-XXXX
ODM EXPIRATION DATE: XXXX/XXXX/XXXX

CATCH A Serial Offender Program Incident Details										
Please provide as much detail as you feel comfortable with releasing.										
PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT										
<small>AUTHORITY: Section 542 of public law 113-291, the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), and System of Records Notice (SORN) N0668-2, Restricted Sexual Assault Serial Offender Database (CATCH).</small>										
<small>PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S): This information will be prepared to enter records on CATCH including restricted reports of sexual assault including reports for the purpose of detecting serial sexual offenders. Sources of other serial assault reports could include investigative reports prepared by MCOs, DON, Department of Defense (DoD), or other Federal, state, local, tribal, or foreign law enforcement or investigative agencies. This information will not however be made a part of this system of records and no investigative information will be collected or stored under this system. If an alleged offender is suspected to have committed other sexual assaults, the offender providing the restricted information will be notified and offered the opportunity to make an unrestricted report.</small>										
<small>ROUTINE USE(S): The DoD Blanket Routine Uses do not apply. This is by law, a restricted database used exclusively to identify repeat or serial sexual assault offenders. It will be used for no other purpose.</small>										
<small>DISCLOSURE: Voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information may result in the inability to compare other records of restricted and unrestricted reports to detect serial sexual offenders.</small>										
AGENT DISCLOSURE NOTICE										
<small>The public reporting burden for this collection of information, 0703-XXXX, is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or burden reduction suggestions to the Department of Defense, Washington Headquarters Services, at www.reg.gov and 0703-XXXX-information-collectors@mail.mil. Respondents should be aware that notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number.</small>										
1a. Offender First Name:	1b. Offender Last Name:	2. Rank/Grade:	3. Unit:							
4. Gender:	5. Race:	6. Email Address:	7. Phone #:	8. Alias/Nickname/Social Media Name:						
9. Approx Age:	10. Height:	11. Weight:	12. Eye Color:	13. Hair Color:	14. Facial Hair:	15. Skin Tone:	16. Complexion:			
17. Visible Scars, Marks, Tattoos:		18. Jernise:		19. Service Member (Select One):						
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Reserves/National Guard <input type="checkbox"/> Army <input type="checkbox"/> Air Force <input type="checkbox"/> Navy <input type="checkbox"/> USMC <input type="checkbox"/> CIV <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown						
20. Date of Incident:		21. Date of Incident:			22. Incident Location (barracks, Hotel Room, Residence, etc.):					
		a. Day:	b. Month:	c. Year:						
23. Incident Address:		a. Street:		b. City:		c. State:	d. ZIP Code:	e. Country:		
24. Additional Details (use the back of the form if you need additional space):										
25. Injuries to Offender (use the back of the form if you need additional space):										
26. Contact With Offender (use the back of the form if you need additional space):										
27. Vehicle Description:	8. Year:	9. Make:	10. Model:	11. Color:	12. Vehicle Body Style:	13. Lic. Plate State:	14. Lic. Plate #:			
28. Victim Reference Number:	29. EXERCISE Rank/Name:		30. BARCAK Use:							
31. Type of Weapon/Fans:			32. Type of Threats:			33. Use of Intoxicants:		34. Digital Media:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Blunt Object <input type="checkbox"/> Body Force (hands, Flat, Foot, etc) <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> Explosives <input type="checkbox"/> Fire/Incendiary <input type="checkbox"/> Handgun <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			<input type="checkbox"/> Knife <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Rifle <input type="checkbox"/> Shotgun <input type="checkbox"/> Strangulation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown			<input type="checkbox"/> Physical <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> None		<input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> None		<input type="checkbox"/> Video <input type="checkbox"/> Photographs <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> None
35. Additional Details (e.g., items taken, verbal threats made, etc.):										

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Frequently Asked Questions

Do I have to provide my name?

- No, you cannot share your name. The process is anonymous.

How long do you keep my entry in the CATCH system?

- Each entry is kept for 10 years. This means that you could be contacted at any time over the next 10 years if there is a potential match, as long as you don't opt out and your contact information doesn't change.

I have more questions. Who can I speak with before deciding?

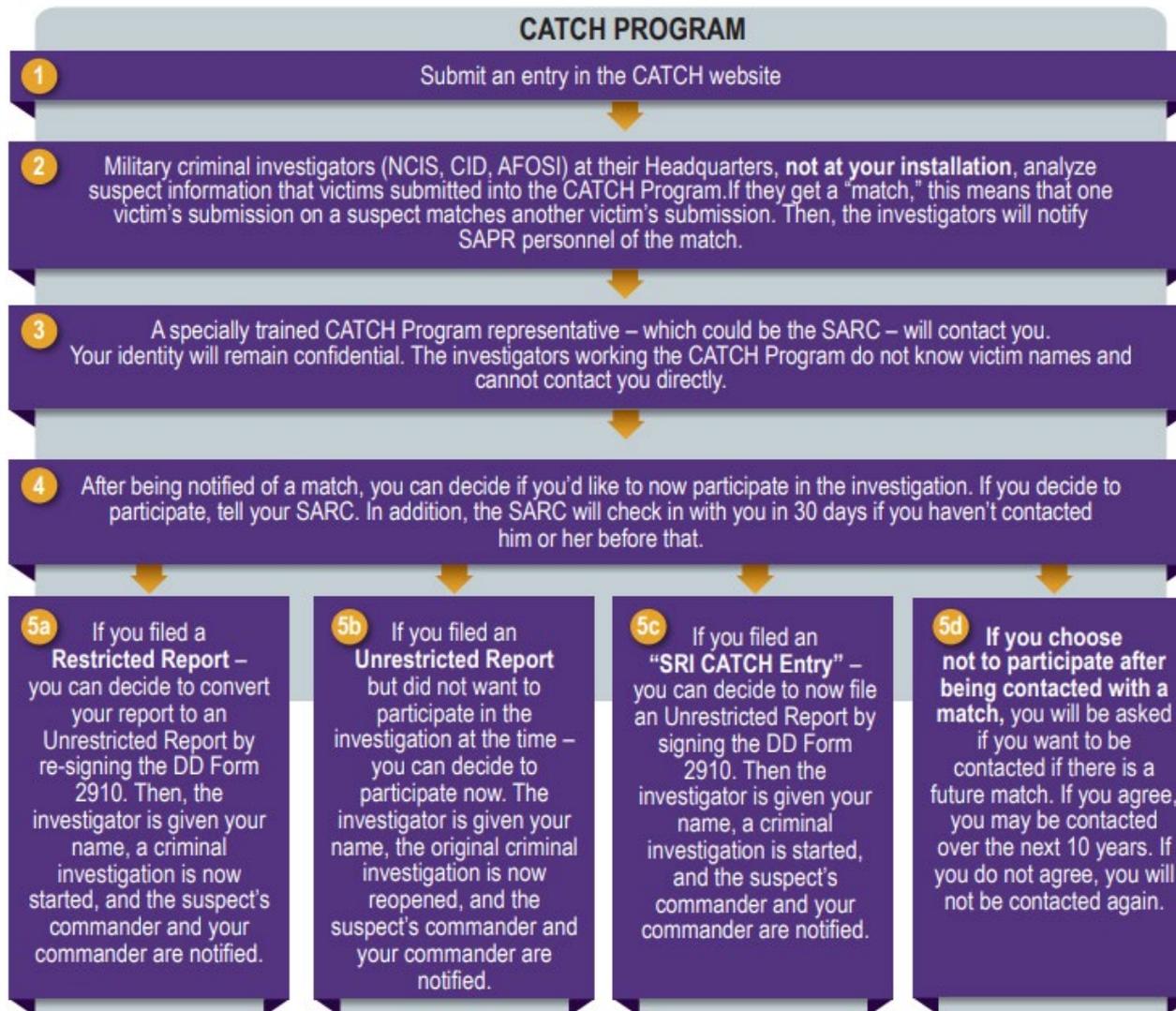
- If you are eligible, your SARC or SAPR VA can offer you a referral to a Special Victims' Counsel or Victims' Legal Counsel, who is your personal attorney (not a prosecutor or a defense attorney). They can help answer your legal questions about the CATCH Program.

Explaining CATCH to Victims



- CATCH entries are only assessed by investigators from the Services' Military Criminal Investigation Organizations (MCIO) that have been specially assigned to CATCH Headquarters (HQ). CATCH HQ MCIOs assess CATCH entries against other entries and against other DoD Law Enforcement databases for the purpose of detecting a match and potentially identifying a serial offender.
 - SARCs, local law enforcement, or local MCIOs do not have access to CATCH data.
 - CATCH information is not utilized to trigger a safety exception for Restricted Reports.
 - Information on a suspect in a CATCH Entry is not used by promotion boards or for any other administrative or disciplinary matters.
- No victim PII is collected in CATCH.
- Victims can update their original CATCH entry at any time. **Victims can also opt out of the CATCH Program at any time.** There shall be no adverse consequences to victims if they do not agree to participate in the CATCH Program or with an investigation after a match.
- Victims will be notified of a potential match by a specially-trained CATCH HQ Notification POC.

The CATCH Program Process



Info for victims in the "Victim Info Sheet for CATCH Program" at <https://www.sapr.mil/catch>



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CATCH A SERIAL OFFENDER (CATCH) PROGRAM

Welcome to CATCH!

The CATCH Program gives people making a sexual assault report, where the name of the suspect is not known by law enforcement, an opportunity to anonymously submit suspect information to help the Department of Defense identify serial offenders. For more information, contact your local Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) or Victim Advocate (VA). To locate a SARC or VA near you, [click here](#).

For general questions about the CATCH Program, contact [SAPRO](#).

For CATCH website IT support, contact 571-305-9999, option 2 (SARCs only, not victims.)

CATCH Resources

FAQs

For CATCH Program Information for victims and SARCs, visit DoD SAPRO's CATCH dedicated webpage at <https://www.sapr.mil/catch>

Resources for SARCs and SAPR Victim Advocates

1. Eligibility Expansion and CATCH Website Updates
2. CATCH Program Procedures
3. CATCH Program Poster
4. CATCH Program Talking Points for SARCs
5. Link to CATCH System “Official CATCH Program Website for Victim Entries”
6. CATCH 101 PowerPoint
7. Link to DD Form 2910, for CATCH entries related to Restricted Reports and certain Unrestricted Reports (CATCH info is on page 3)
8. Link to DD Form 2910-4, for victims who do not want to officially report their sexual assault but DO want to submit a CATCH entry
9. *Coming Soon* Link to updated JKO CATCH Course

Facilitating CATCH Entries



For victims reporting a Restricted Report or certain Unrestricted Report:

- Go to page 3 of the DD Form 2910 and have victim provide contact information in the event that there is a future match, and the victim needs to be contacted.
- Generate the corresponding DSAID Control number for the official report. This DSAID number will be used in the CATCH system to obtain a CATCH username and password.

13. Information regarding the Catch a Serial Offender (CATCH) Program:

A. I have been informed about and elect: To participate in the CATCH Program. Not to participate in the CATCH Program.

B. I have been informed that additional information on the CATCH program can be found at www.SAPR.mil/CATCH

C. As a participant in the CATCH Program, I agree to provide the following contact information:

Phone/Email: _____ Phone/Email: _____

D. Type of sexual assault report I filed:

I filed a Restricted Report RR DSAID Control Number: _____

I filed an Unrestricted Report (but law enforcement does not know the name of the suspect) UR DSAID Control Number: _____

Corresponding MCIO case number (if available in DSAID): _____

Facilitating CATCH Entries (Cont.)



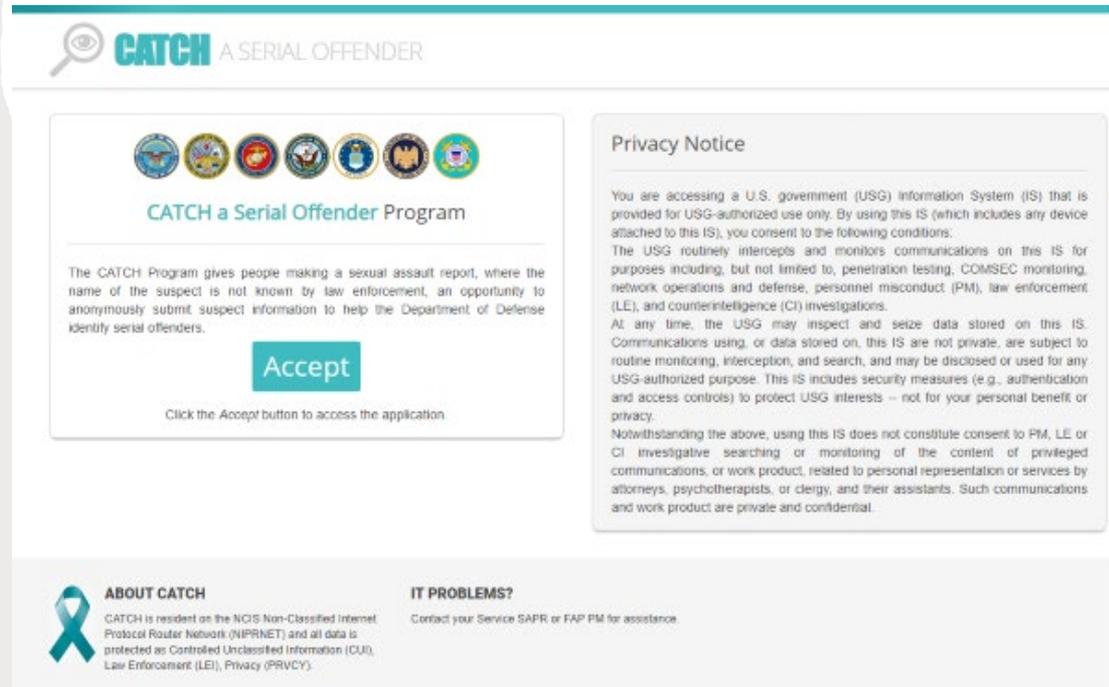
For victims NOT wanting to file a report:

- Some victims do NOT want to file an official report of sexual assault (DD Form 2910); however, they are still eligible to submit a CATCH Entry.
- Victims complete the DD Form 2910-4, “Catch A Serial Offender (CATCH) Program Explanation and Notification Form for SAPR Related Inquiry (SRI) Catch Entries” and provide contact information in the event that there is a future match.
- Generate the corresponding DSAID SRI Control Number for the SRI. This DSAID number will be used in the CATCH system to obtain a CATCH username and password.

INITIALS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	A. The SARC or SAPR VA explained the Catch a Serial Offender Program, to include that it is anonymous, completely voluntary, and that I can decline to be in the CATCH Program at any time even after being notified of a potential match.
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. The SARC or SAPR VA explained what occurs IF I am contacted about a potential match and my options.
<input type="checkbox"/>	C. I have been informed that additional information on the CATCH program can be found at www.SAPR.mil/CATCH .
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. The SARC/SAPR VA has informed me of reporting options for sexual assault and retaliation (associated with the sexual assault).
<input type="checkbox"/>	E. The SARC/SAPR VA has informed me of available support services, to include SAPR advocacy, a Sexual Assault Forensic Examination, medical care, mental health providers, legal services, and chaplain resources.
<input type="checkbox"/>	F. The SARC or SAPR VA explained that I can consult with a Special Victims' Counsel (SVC), Victims' Legal Counsel (VLC), Victims' Counsel (VC), or a legal assistance attorney, if I am eligible for one, before deciding to submit an entry into the CATCH Program. I can also meet with an SVC/VLC/VC to discuss reporting options and other military justice issues.
<input type="checkbox"/>	G. I have NOT filed an official report of sexual assault through a DD Form 2910 or through a report directly to law enforcement.
2. Information regarding the Catch a Serial Offender (CATCH) Program:	
A. I have been informed about and elect:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(1) To participate in the CATCH Program. (Fill out the rest of the information below)
<input type="checkbox"/>	(2) Not to participate in the CATCH Program. (Go to section #3 and sign the form)
B. As a participant in the CATCH Program, I agree to provide the following contact information:	
(1) Phone/Email:	
(2) Phone/Email:	

Next Steps for SARCS:

1. Obtain the DSAID Control number for the victim's report or for the victim's SRI.
2. Go to the CATCH System website:
<https://catch.ncis.navy.mil>
3. Generate CATCH username and password for victim.



The screenshot shows the CATCH A SERIAL OFFENDER website. At the top, there is a logo with a magnifying glass and the text "CATCH A SERIAL OFFENDER". Below the logo is a row of seven circular icons representing various military branches. The main heading is "CATCH a Serial Offender Program". Below this, there is a paragraph of text explaining the program's purpose: "The CATCH Program gives people making a sexual assault report, where the name of the suspect is not known by law enforcement, an opportunity to anonymously submit suspect information to help the Department of Defense identify serial offenders." Below the text is a large blue "Accept" button. Underneath the button, it says "Click the Accept button to access the application." To the right of the main content is a "Privacy Notice" box. The privacy notice text reads: "You are accessing a U.S. government (USG) Information System (IS) that is provided for USG-authorized use only. By using this IS (which includes any device attached to this IS), you consent to the following conditions: The USG routinely intercepts and monitors communications on this IS for purposes including, but not limited to, penetration testing, COMSEC monitoring, network operations and defense, personnel misconduct (PM), law enforcement (LE), and counterintelligence (CI) investigations. At any time, the USG may inspect and seize data stored on this IS. Communications using, or data stored on, this IS are not private, are subject to routine monitoring, interception, and search, and may be disclosed or used for any USG-authorized purpose. This IS includes security measures (e.g., authentication and access controls) to protect USG interests -- not for your personal benefit or privacy. Notwithstanding the above, using this IS does not constitute consent to PM, LE or CI investigative searching or monitoring of the content of privileged communications, or work product, related to personal representation or services by attorneys, psychotherapists, or clergy, and their assistants. Such communications and work product are private and confidential." At the bottom of the page, there are two sections: "ABOUT CATCH" and "IT PROBLEMS?". The "ABOUT CATCH" section features a teal ribbon icon and text: "CATCH is resident on the NCIS Non-Classified Internet Protocol Router Network (NIPRNET) and all data is protected as Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI), Law Enforcement (LE), Privacy (PRVCY)." The "IT PROBLEMS?" section has the text: "Contact your Service SAPR or FAP PM for assistance."

Sample CATCH Username and Password



CATCH A Serial Offender Program

2022-NAVY-00416

Victim Login Credentials have been generated.

The credentials will expire in 10 days on September 9, 2022 12:26 PM EST.

VRN	2022-NAVY-00416
Report Manager	Brian Mcneary (SAPR)
Expiration Date	September 9, 2022 12:26 PM EST
URL	https://profile-stage.ncis.navy.mil

Username	CATCHRGmVw
Password	xyKVh\$A3sFgJrbs

Close

Print Sample Form

Print

Key CATCH Program Personnel



- **CATCH HQ MCIO Lead and Team**: Each Military Service has specially-trained MCIO investigators assigned to a CATCH HQ MCIO Team to assess entries in the CATCH system for potential matches. The CATCH HQ MCIO Lead is part of that team and assesses the potential match in question.
- **CATCH HQ SAPR Lead (Service/NGB Admins)**: Each Service and the National Guard Bureau (NGB) has specially-trained SAPR Program personnel who manage the data and procedures relating to CATCH for the SAPR Program. The CATCH HQ SAPR Leads also enroll the SARCs in the CATCH system, so SARCs are able to generate CATCH usernames and passwords.
- **CATCH HQ Notification POC**: Instead of delegating the actual notification conversation to the local SARC, each Service and the NGB will assign this responsibility to two CATCH HQ Notification POCs. The POCs shall be:
 - Specially-trained SARCs, SAPR VAs, CATCH HQ SAPR Leads, or SAPR Program Managers,
 - Have a Defense Sexual Assault Advocate Certification Program (D-SAACP) certification and be able to keep MRE 514 confidentiality, and
 - Have DSAID access.
- Some Services may wish to have the local SARC provide the actual notification, with the “CATCH Notification POC” present, as well.

Contact Information and Resources



Learn more at www.sapr.mil/catch

HELPFUL RESOURCES:

SARCs with general questions about the CATCH Program (not IT related) can contact: CATCHinformation@ncis.navy.mil

For SARCs to obtain the CATCH username and password for the victim:
<https://catch.ncis.navy.mil>

For victims to access the CATCH website: <https://profile.ncis.navy.mil> (When the SARC prints out the victim's username and password, this website address will also appear.)

CATCH Website IT Support for SARCs (not intended for victims as questions and information provided to law enforcement could compromise a Restricted Report):
NCIS IT support at 571-305-9999, option 2