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Five Steps for Safe and Effective Bystander Intervention

Step 1: Notice Hazing

Hazing can occur in a range of groups, clubs, or teams. Many warning signs and instances of hazing are overlooked by those who have the potential to intervene and prevent harm.

Step 2: Recognize the Harm

Hazing causes death, physical injury, and emotional harm. There are many impacts of hazing, some also leave long-term or hidden scars.

Step 3: Accept Responsibility

Everyone has a responsibility to prevent hazing. You can and should take action to help keep your community safe.

Step 4: Develop Skills

Shifting the focus. Safely confronting. Shifting attitudes. These are types of interventions that can prevent hazing and promote safe and inclusive groups.

Step 5: Take Action

Take action! Don't wait until it's too late. Intervene early on, directly or indirectly, to prevent hazing from happening and cultivate healthy group spaces.

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