



The Nord Center

Comprehensive Behavioral Healthcare

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## **Lorain County Rape Crisis - Sexual Assault Awareness Program**

In honor of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, Lorain County Rape Crisis, a program of The Nord Center, invites you to attend a Sexual Assault Awareness Program on Wednesday, April 21, 2010, 5:00pm-7:00pm. This awareness event will be held at Lorain County Community College Stocker Theater.

The keynote speaker is Ms. Kelly Grace, who has worked 14 years serving victims of violent crimes at the State of Ohio, Attorney General's Office. Lorain County Rape Crisis will provide special recognition to community members and Lorain County Rape Crisis volunteers. The program will also feature a personal account from a sexual assault survivor and a Denim Day Display. Denim Day began due to an Italian Supreme Court decision to overturn a rape conviction of a 45 year old rape suspect because the 18 year old victim was wearing jeans at the time of the attack. The judgment sparked a worldwide outcry and became an international symbol of myth-based injustice for sexual assault victims.

The Nord Center provides comprehensive, behavioral healthcare services that are culturally competent and evidence-based, and that promote recovery, dignity, and well being for our clients, their families, and the community we serve. The Nord Center is a 501(c) (3) non-profit community behavioral health organization that serves over 7,700 consumers per year.

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Incorporated in 1947, The Nord Center is the principal provider of behavioral healthcare service in the community. A leader in evidence-based practices, it is one of the largest behavioral healthcare providers in the State of Ohio.

For more information about this program or the services of Lorain County Rape Crisis, please call 440-204-4398 or 440-204-4351.

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