

Integrating Violence Prevention Programs

University of Massachusetts Lowell

History

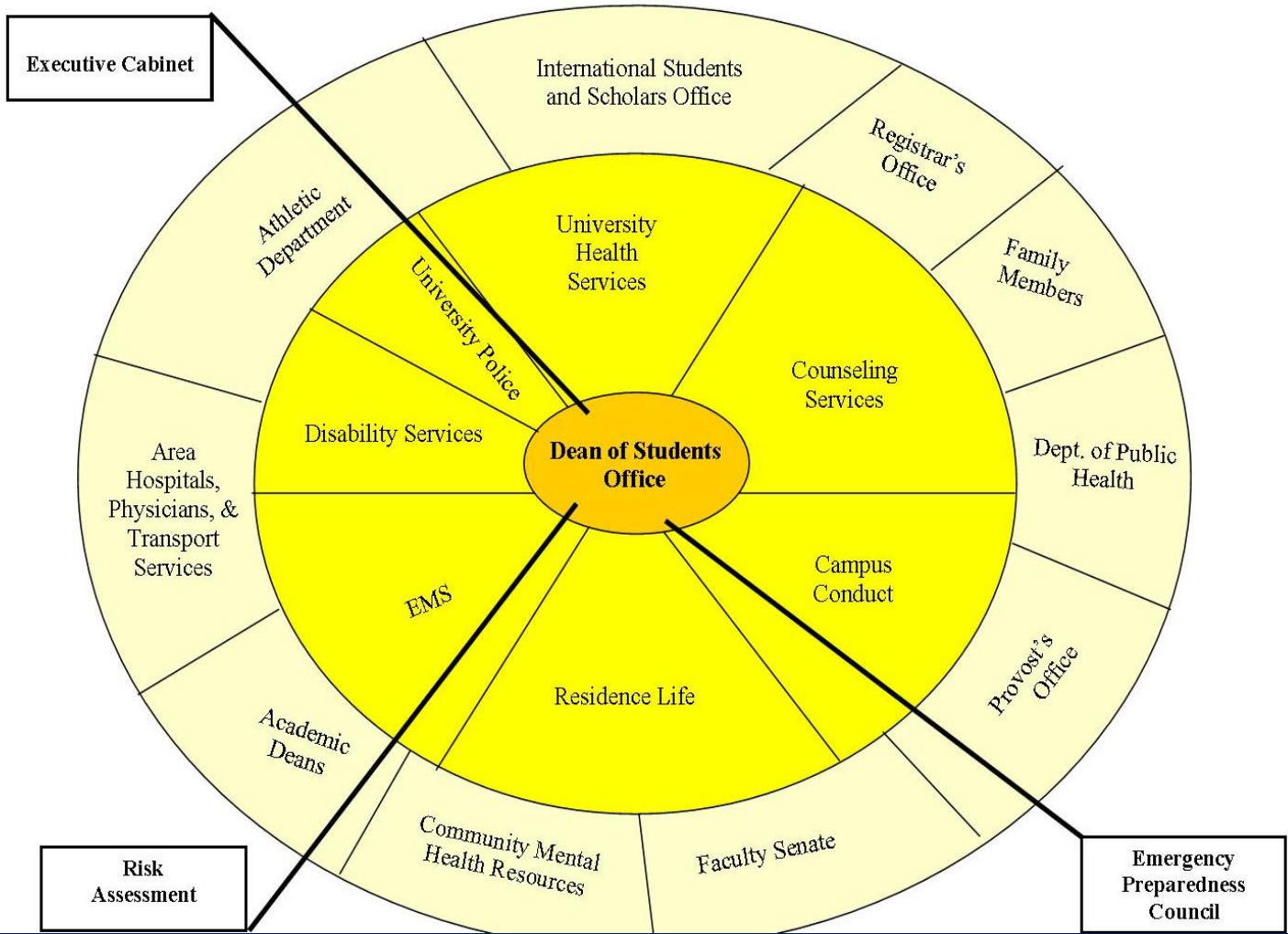
- GLS Grantee, 4th year, under a no-cost extension
- Suicide Prevention – widely accepted
- Overall Violence Prevention
 - Behavioral Intervention & Threat Assessment
 - Active Shooter Training
- AOD Prevention and Response
- Sexual Violence Prevention
- Bullying Prevention

STARs – Behavioral Intervention Team

- Formed in 2005 – case management
- Began with about 25 students “on our radar”
- Currently over 115 students / semester
- Wide participation on the team

STARs

A collaborative model for intervening with students at risk



Active Shooter Training

- ▶ Based on Homeland Security / FBI Training
- ▶ The Team
 - University Police, Student Affairs, Environmental and Emergency Management
- ▶ The Audience
 - Administration, Faculty, Staff, & Students
- ▶ The Presentation
 - First 1/3 is violence prevention
 - Second 1/3 is what to expect when officers arrive
 - Third 1/3 is how to respond to the threat
- ▶ The Impacts

Bystander Training

- ▶ Bringing in the Bystander (10 staff trained)
 - Student Affairs, University Police, Athletics, & Human Resources
- ▶ Workshops offered
 - 4 times per semester for students
 - 2 times per semester for employees
- ▶ Originally used for sexual violence prevention; now applied with a more broad, “violence” brush.
- ▶ The Impacts – with more community members trained, we believe we see an increase of interventions and reporting.

Research Involvement

- ▶ Collaborations with Faculty, Staff, and Students conducting research on:
 - Campus Readiness for Suicide Prevention
 - Student Health Assessment Survey
 - National Campus Climate Survey (sexual violence)
 - Sexual Violence occurrence and knowledge of resources
 - Title IX Investigation Process and Effectiveness

Community Collaborations

- ▶ UMASS Lowell Network of Health Educators
- ▶ Department of Athletics
- ▶ Provost's Office
- ▶ Human Resources
 - Equal Opportunity and Outreach Office
 - Professional Development Office
- ▶ The Samaritans of Merrimack Valley
- ▶ Center for Hope and Healing
- ▶ Lowell Police Department
- ▶ Greater Lowell Health Alliance
- ▶ Community Teamwork Inc.