

Committee on Sexual Assault at Sea: Public Sessions

August 27-28, 2025

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OPEN SESSIONS

Purpose

The congressionally mandated Committee on Sexual Assault at Sea will hold a public information gathering sessions on August 27th and 28th, 2025.

Wednesday, August 27, 2025: Sexual assault response: Insights from other models and organizations

The purpose for this specific session is to hear from other organizations working in similar—or other, uniquely challenging—contexts on their experiences responding to sexual assault incidents and reports, or their experiences supporting others to respond effectively. The session will help share the practical realities of implementing programs, policies, and practices and lessons learned, with a focus on highlighting challenges and barriers to implementation in remote contexts.

(All times listed in Eastern)

9:30am Speaker Presentations

10:00am Q&A/Discussion with Committee

August 28, 2025: Leadership

The purpose for this session is to hear from speakers in leadership roles in similar—or other, uniquely challenging—contexts on their experiences as a leader either implementing or supporting sexual assault prevention and response activities. Topics of discussion may include lessons learned, insights on what they found effective, and the impact of leadership on climate and culture.

(All times listed in Eastern)

11:30am Speaker Presentations

11:50am Q&A/Discussion with Committee