

Your sister tells you that  
her husband won't allow  
her to go on birth control.

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Do you change the  
subject?



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Being forced into sex, including unprotected sex, by anyone—husband, boyfriend or date – isn't a 'personal problem' or a 'private matter'. It's a crime with serious effects for everyone, and society as a whole.



## WHY DRAW THE LINE

Controlling a woman's access to birth control is considered sexual violence. Everyone has rights to control their own body. Being in a relationship does not change this right.

## WHEN TO DRAW THE LINE

**Sexual violence is unacceptable.** Period. This includes when a person is in a relationship. Every person has control over their body and their choices must be respected.

## HOW TO DRAW THE LINE

**There's always more than one option for a bystander.** Take a stand safely and do something that you feel comfortable with. You could:

- **Support her.** Listen to her story.
- **Believe her.** Validate her feelings.
- **Find help for her.** Offer community resources and services.

## IT HAPPENED TO ME

Remember, it's never your fault. You're not alone. Tell someone you trust.

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Sexual violence is everyone's problem. Break the silence. Make it stop.

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