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- Know your sexual desires and limits.
- Communicate **YOUR** limits clearly, direct and firmly.
- Pay attention to what is happening around you
- Trust your instincts. If a situation does not feel right, leave.
- Avoid excessive use of alcohol.
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