

Sexual Assault Examination Process at Winneshiek Medical Center

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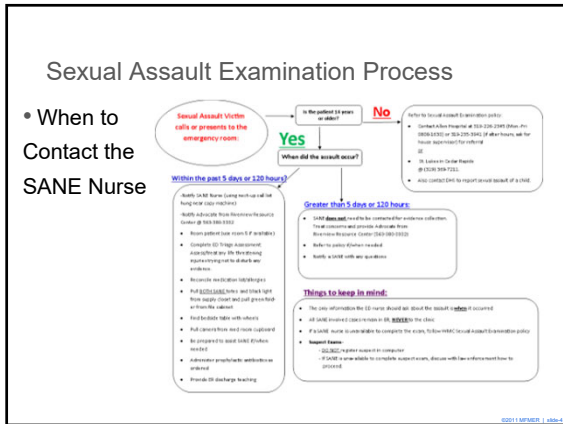


Objectives

- Staff Involved - SART
- Sexual Assault Examination Process at WMC
- Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits
- Documentation
- Follow up Care and Recommendations

Staff Involved


- Emergency Room Staff (Registration Representative, ER RN, Provider)
- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner
- Riverview Center Advocate
- Law Enforcement (Police & Sherriff's Office)
- Other Sexual Assault Response Team Members (Crime Victim/Witness Coordinator, County Attorney, Title IX Coordinator, Luther Security)



- ### Sexual Assault Examination Process
- Registration- exam is billed to The Crime Victim Compensation Program
 - Triage completed by ER RN
 - Sexual assault exam completed by SANE RN
 - ER Provider addresses any needs
 - Follow-up arranged

- ### Sexual Assault Examination Process- SANE's Role
- Provide care and support in a safe environment
 - Examine and treat patient, including documentation
 - Perform forensic evidence collection
 - DNA evidence collection
 - Written descriptions
 - Body drawings
 - Photographs of injuries
 - Provide STI prophylaxis and emergency contraceptive
 - Provide referrals for follow-up care and treatments
 - Serve as an "Expert Witness" if called to trial

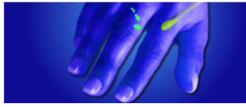


Example of Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit



- Instructions
- Victim information lab form
- Bags with label affixed
- Fingernail scraper
- Paper bundle
- Swab boxes with labels
- Sexual assault victim/survivor form
- STI & sexual assault information pamphlet
- Iowa Attorney General's Card
- Sterile, cotton-tipped swabs
- Police evidence seals
- Biohazard label
- Lancet
- FTA card
- Labeled envelopes

Examples of DNA Evidence to Collect

- Saliva
- Semen
- Vaginal fluids
- Bodily fluids
- Blood
- Fingernail scrapings/clippings
- Hair



Examples of Photographic Evidence to Collect



Bruising

Abrasions

Scratches

Cuts/Lacerations

Example of Sexual Assault Exam Discharge Forms

Riverview Health Services
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) - Forensic

Background Information Sheet for Patients

Because of the emotional and physical nature of this experience, you may feel reluctant or uncertain about all of the questions and examinations at a post-rape exam today. This is a list of the tests and examinations that you can expect.

Tests:

- ___ Pregnancy
- ___ HIV
- ___ Other _____

Vaccines:

- ___ Hepatitis
- ___ Cellulose
- ___ Tetanus/diphtheria
- ___ Adenovaccine
- ___ Other _____
- ___ Emergency Contraceptive pills
- ___ Plan B
- ___ Other _____

Examination of the genital area:

- ___ Visual inspection
- ___ Swabbed samples
- ___ Photograph
- ___ Clothing tag
- ___ Colored gelatin
- ___ One Swab
- ___ Best swab
- ___ Other _____

Follow-Up:

We strongly encourage you to be nearby your regular health care provider in the next two to four weeks to have a complete and thorough medical exam at the emergency department. If you need assistance, including this appointment, call the sexual assault advocate at Riverview Center at 888-337-4334 or 910-286-3022.

If you are not sure how questions or answers, or already encourage you to contact the Advocate Center. If you have further questions, you can call the advocate to contact the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner.

Your response today was _____

Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit Accuracy

	Non-SANE	SANE
Kits Completed	#73	#24
Proper Chain of Evidence	52%	100%
Complete Sperm Evidence Collection	85%	96%
Proper Blood Stain Evidence	81%	100%
Proper Documentation	79%	100%

- ### Follow-up Care and Recommendations
- Follow-up appointment with primary care provider within 2-5 days, if possible
 - Follow-up STI testing and pap around 6 weeks
 - Continual follow-up with Riverview Center Advocate
 - Counseling if needed

Summary

- If presenting to ER within 5 days of assault, SANE RN completes exam and evidence collection per survivor's request
- Documentation, photographs, and physical evidence is collected
- Survivor is not billed, confidential service
- Many other staff involved from SART
- Follow-up care strongly recommended

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Questions & Discussion

Thank you!

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