

"exceptional and comprehensive behavioral healthcare"

SEXUAL ASSAULT ASSISTANCE CENTER

386-236-3123

STEWART-MARCHMAN-ACT PINEGROVE LOCATION

1150 RED JOHN ROAD

DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32124

SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE

800-503-7621

24 HOUR/7 DAYS

SEXUAL ASSAULT ASSISTANCE CENTER

CORE SERVICES

ADVOCACY AND ACCOMPANIMENT

Advocates support and assist with sexual violence related services, and act on behalf of and in support of victims.

ADVOCACY AND ACCOMPANIMENT

Respond to emergency medical and forensic services and law enforcement interviews, ensuring victim's interests are represented and their rights upheld.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

Advocates provide information and referral services to victims of sexual assault and are aware of appropriate resources to meet their needs.

CRISIS INTERVENTION Crisis intervention and support shall be provided to clients and callers by Advocates / Trained Volunteers.

SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE 800-503-7621 Advocates will respond to Sexual Assault Hotline callers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

PREVENTION AND OUTREACH

Working with our community in promoting the prevention and awareness of sexual assault.

PREVENTION AND OUTREACH Sexual Assault Assistance Center reaches out to citizens in our community through awareness and prevention presentations

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES Therapy and support groups for survivors of sexual assault

FORENSICS EXAMINATIONS

Multi Agency Training and Resource Associates



SEX OFFENSES

In Fla., a sexual abuse is reported every 42 minutes

1 in 4 females will be a victim of sexual assault

1 in 7 males with be a victim

EXAMINATION SITES

Private Physician's Office

Hospital Emergency Rooms

Centers Specializing in the care of sexual assault victims

S.A.R.T. MISSION

Coordinate a multidisciplinary system for physical, mental and legal support and medical Treatment

Increase knowledge and Sensitivity of persons working with sexual assault victims

Provide Preventive Education and Awareness of crimes of sexual assault

ACCESS TO SYSTEM

911

Hospital Emergency Room

Rape Crisis Hotline

Walk-in's at Police/ Fire Stations



INITIAL RESPONSE

Discourage
Washing/bathing/douching
Gargling/ Brushing teeth
Eating/drinking
Changing clothes
Using the bathroom

INITIAL RESPONSE

Inserting/ removing tampons
Combing Hair
Smoking
Taking Medications

MEDICAL TEAM

Medical Director



Physician

Sexual Assault
Nurse Examiner
Practitioner

SANE SERVICES

Acute Forensic Exams
STD testing and treatment
Confidential HIV testing
Referrals for counseling,
shelter and victim advocate

FORENSIC EXAM PROTOCOL

Previously within 72 hours of occurrence

Currently within 120 hours of occurrence

SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER

Registered Nurse who has advanced educational and clinical background in sexual assault

Offers a standardized method of evaluation of the victim and collection of evidence

RESPONSIBILITIES

History of Victim/ Reported Incident Performing Physical Examination Collection of Evidence Documentation of injuries/ findings Treatment for STD's/ Pregnancy Referrals for Medical Treatment Testifying in court

MEDICAL HISTORY

Allergies
Medical/Mental Conditions
Past Medical History
Age at Menarche
Pregnancies/Deliveries

MEDICAL HISTORY

Current Birth Control Methods
Last Menstrual Period
Last Consensual Intercourse
Immunizations
Current Medications

FORENSIC INTERVIEW

Assure Victim's Safety

Quiet Environment

Minimal Interruptions

Be Nonjudgmental

Victim's Account dictates the examination and further investigation.

DETAILS

Date/Time Location Method of control of victim Victim's account of any injuries sustained Sex Acts/condom use/lubricant Activities since assault

CLOTHING

Collection of items worn during or following the assault

Packaged separately in paper bags

Must be DRY

If cut, tears, damaged or soiled areas are avoided

Rarely collect coats or shoes

DETECTION OF INJURY

Head to Toe Assessment

Document on body map

Photograph injuries (usually done by crime scene technicians)



TYPES IF INJURY

Ecchymosis (Bruising) Petechiae Laceration **Abrasion Incised Wound** Contusion **Patterned Injuries**

DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID



Building Blocks for Genetic Make-up

Present in cells of all living organisms

Accepted in US courts since 1986

Sperm contain DNA

COLLECTION OF EVIDENCE

Guided By History

Woods Lamp

Swab with saline solution, then packaged

Fingernails

Oral Swabs if fellatio

Combing of head, pubic hair

Bite Marks

Blood as a standard

EXAMINATION OF GENITALIA

Detailed Inspection
Matted hair, clipped
Pubic hair combed
Inspection using wood's lamp
Swab External Genitalia
Inspect the hymen

COLPOSCOPE

Light source magnification 4.5-25X

Allows Photo Documentation

Inspect vagina and cervix

Collect samples using swabs

Wet Prep (Microscopy) for sperm, signs of infection

Tolidine blue dye 1%

ANAL EXAMINATIONS

Anal Examination Done on Most victims

Rectal Examinations rarely done

(Recommended if victim was sodomized and has rectal bleeding)

Alternative to anoscope: 2 moistened swabs

Victim can refuse any part of the exam

TOXICOLOGY

Done at Officer's Request FDLE supplies Kit

2 grey top

1 urine container



PROPER HANDLING OF EVIDENCE

Drying Box; Fan; Room Temperature Label site, seal with initials across tape

Paper Only/ No Plastic

Maintain CHAIN OF CUSTODY

TESTING THERAPY AND PROPHYLAXIS

Source	Disease	Medication
Cervical Swabs	Chlamidyia/Gonorrhea	Zithromax/Suprax
Micro Slide	Trichomoniasis/ Bacterial Vaginosis	Metronidazole
Blood	Syphilis/HIV	Not at SATC
	Hepatitis B	Vaccine
Urine	Pregnancy	Emergency Contraception
	Tetanus	Vaccine

FOLLOW UP CARE

Appointment set up for 3 wks after exam

Victim completes survey of experience

Victim completed questionnaire on life after assault

Review lab results

Recommend counseling; abstinence; repeat tests and complete vaccines

POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER

Nightmares Sleep Disturbances Irritability Wide Range of Avoidance Behaviors **Difficulty Concentrating** Outbursts/Flashbacks Suicidal Thoughts



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